

# Shirley Neighbourhood Watch Representatives meeting Tuesday 1st November 2016

## **Apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Joe Johnson

## **Reps Reviews**

All reps agreed that the new system was working well. It was agreed that the reps should only pass on information received from the coordinators or that was received via the Alert system and related directly to the interests of the residents of the village. If residents wanted more in depth information then they could sign up themselves to the Alert system. A note was read out from a village resident commending the new Neighbourhood Watch now in place in Shirley.

## **Contact details**

Anne asked that Robert Barke let her have a list of residents in his section. This allows the coordinator to contact residents in the event of a rep being away or on holiday.

## **Information/Publicity**

Anne advised that PCSO's Jo Daley and David Seabridge would be holding a Street Meet in the Community Space on 10<sup>th</sup> November where goods would be available to buy and advice would be given re home safety and security. There is currently a "mini crime wave" within the Ashbourne area and the police are holding these sessions in all villages. We will be provided with leaflets and the reps agreed to deliver these to all residents. Anne also handed out window stickers for the reps to distribute.

## **Residents meeting**

It was agreed that there should be an annual village meeting to pass on information and to hear feedback from residents. At this meeting the Coordinator and reps will also put themselves forward for re-election but replacement volunteers would also be welcome to put themselves forward. The proposed date is early April but it is hoped to be able to get a speaker from the police so the date is dependent on when they might be available. Further information in due course.

## **Any other business**

Anne advised that Tony Grace had resigned from Shirley Neighbourhood Watch and she asked that thanks be noted for all that he had done over the last few years. He will continue

as Vice Chairman for the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Watch support group and as Chairman of Neighbourhood Watch Derbyshire.

Derek Puplett asked how other reps were managing to communicate with those residents who did not have email. The majority of reps confirmed that they print off relevant information and post/hand it to those residents and it was agreed that this was the way forward in this respect.

John Balmer will try and obtain a hard copy of The Little Book of Big Scams emailed to reps last week. All confirmed it was very helpful and a hard copy for resident use would be useful.

It was suggested that the village needed a couple more Neighbourhood Watch street signs and Anne will ask Tony Grace for these.

It was suggested that it was time for a defibrillator refresher course however this is not within the remit of this group so Alvin Baker will investigate this.

#### **Date of next meeting**

To be the annual meeting in April. Date to be confirmed.