Ratton and Rodmill Neighbourhood Panel Notes  
Ratton School Academy 4th April 2014

Grateful thanks to Roy for “minuting the meeting” from which the following have been produced in “brief form”

Present:
David Wilkins (Chairman) Jeanie Sowerby (Neighbourhood Watch) Ian Anderson (Senior Assistant Head Ratton School Academy)  
Roy Bullock (Observer & Notes)  
Lisa Cousins (PC Sussex Police)  
Colin Belsey (County and EBC Councillor)  
Colin Murdoch (EBC Councillor)

Apologies:
Janice Vango (Secretary)  
Sandie Hewlett (EBC Councillor)  
Emma Jordan (EBC Neighbourhood First)  
Joan Wray (Resident)  
Gareth Evans (Sussex Police)  
Austin Milson (Sussex Police)  
Sandy Boyce-Sharpe Friends of Hampden Park

Matters Arising
Panel website following suggestion by Sandy B-S has now been updated by Chairman
District Panel Meeting minutes from meeting at Hammond Drive Police HQ still awaited
Set objectives (3) when compared to other panel’s areas objectives should be comfortably achieved
Hospital Parking discussed (again)
Roy referred to a letter received from Stagecoach following his to them

Other Matters (Grouped)
Police Camera checks by Responsible People progressing…number of volunteers undergoing training from this area requested …Phillip Hearden? To submit names?
Ian Anderson felt that the issue of teachers monitoring speeding was “delicate” this was however something the recent Head Teacher David Linsell supported. Issues will now be raised in the Schools bi weekly newsletter followed then followed up by the Police “mini blitz” Colin B supported this approach.
Jeanie Sowerby referred to once again fly tipping at the Broadway this time a fridge…perhaps Emma’s team can follow through.
We no longer have Neighbourhood Watch representation, Chair to contact acting Chair John Rollinson for updates (Now done). Future N.W. Meetings to be held Hammond Drive.
David Lee referred again to the missing railings (30 uprights) @ Sussex Downs College (safety issue) as they border a busy Kings Drive; Colin B referred to funding issues but will mention the subject again to the College Head. Grass verges following recent wet weather in poor state and Colin B may make an approach to East Sussex CC re a Traffic Order which would take one year to introduction if successful .Road flooding at the Esso Petrol station resolved.

Jeanie S raised parking issues at the Broadway and Kings Drive with a truck parked on the footpath. Colin B referred again to the fact that a further parking review will take place this year.

Concern was raised again re parking by inconsiderate parents on the Zig Zags outside the School. An accident waiting to happen. At this point reference was made to an e mail sent to the Head Teacher by Mrs Tracy Fawcett on this very subject, Copy of minutes to be sent to Mrs Fawcett with an invitation to attend future meetings.

Offenders’ car Registration numbers should be taken and reported to Operation Crackdown (Sussex Police Website) Pc Lisa C to acquaint Ian Anderson.

Lisa C produced a template for making residents aware of the existence of Neighbourhood Panels (one of three objectives) but (unfortunately not as suggested) to be reviewed.

No printed crime figures produced. Spate of burglaries, Willingdon Rd. Rodmill Ave, Burton Rd, Ratton drugs warrant issued, Cannabis “factory” Park Ave.

Speed indicator device SID to be set up again in Park Ave, and also Willingdon Rd.

Query raised by Colin M re if his dogs attacked an intruder…response a warning sign should be displayed

Jeanie S referred to a scam with people being approached to say a distant relative had died looking for money “upfront ” also mentioned cash required in respect of unused time share. Lisa C suggested contacting Trading Standards.

An e mail from Sandy B-S was referred to and discussed issues included support for a bus service from Eastbourne DGH to the Conquest in Hastings a copy has been retained by Colin B who stated that this is a subject under discussion, At this point please refer to dates that Sandy would like us to record in our diaries.

David Lee referred to the ongoing development at the rear of Rangemore Drive which has been viewed by both Colin B and M and will continue to be to ensure that it falls in line with development approval. (Which followed an appeal to the inspectorate at Bristol) Reference was also made to a no longer required disabled parking bay at 50 Westfield Drive (Action?) In response to a point raised by Joan W the rear garden construction meets building and planning regulations.

Next meeting confirmed Tuesday 3rd June.

Sandy’s Date Remembrance Service War Memorial Hampden Park 10.30-10-40 Two minutes silence at 11 am.