

**KINGS PARK AND KINGSMERE NEIGHBOURHOOD PANEL  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD THURSDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JULY 2010 IN KINGS PARK HALL  
COMMENCING 2.30pm**

Nine residents from Kings Park and Kingsmere attended.

R Moxon (Chair), P Thompson (Secretary), M Watson, F Winnett and A Land from Kings Park.

V Gardner, K Gardner, G Hearne and C Platel from Kingsmere.

Councillor Salsbury, PC Thompson and PC Faulkner.

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Councillor Hawkins, Sgt Ed Ripley and Kate and Jerry Daly.

2 Minutes of the last meeting.

Minutes had been circulated to all those who attended.

3 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4 Main Problems

Kingsmere residents reported problems with drinking and noise on the streets around the play areas.

PC Thompson explained that this is not antisocial behaviour and they cannot now remove alcohol until distress is being caused to others. Previously the police would take the alcohol off those causing the disturbance.

There have been instances in Edmund Close of young children being given alcohol by teenagers and even by their parents.

PC Faulkner will inform BLITZ of the problem.

When asked what action would be taken against parents giving their children alcohol, PC Thompson replied that this would depend on the view of the officer attending the incident.

It was reported that some children on Kingsmere are out after midnight. PC Faulkner advised that the police should be called.

The problem continues of footballs being kicked against the fence between Kings Park and Kingsmere in Canute Close. It is when the older children are playing. This has been reported previously but nothing has been done in over six months.

PCSO Tony Holland will be asked to look out for this but not a lot can be done because it is not an offence to play football in the street.

PC Faulkner said that if the children who kick the ball against the fence can be identified he will arrange for the police to call on the parents.

Councillor Salsbury will speak again to the Housing Association Manager as they were informed many months ago that the fence was in need of repair.

Councillor Salsbury informed the meeting that a professional coach would be coming to Kingsmere on Thursday evenings during the school holidays to coach basket ball, football, tennis, etc. This will encourage children to use the play areas. There will be no charge.

There have been instances of people wandering around at night on both Kings Park and Kingsmere. On one occasion the person was challenged on Kings Park but said he was trying to find his way out.

It was suggested that "No Through Road" signs could be erected as many maps show there is access to Sovereign Harbour. Kings Park already has these signs.

Reports of cars driving at over 30mph and frequently coming out of Harold Drive onto Kingsmere Way without attention to cars in Kingsmere Way.

It is still the intention of the police to arrange for a Special to come onto Kings Park and Kingsmere with a hand-held speed camera.

With regard to untaxed cars or any motoring infringement, Crackdown should be called on 01234 642 222 and the police would take action, or the police could be contacted direct.

It was reported that there was a white van on Kings Park which had not been taxed since 31<sup>st</sup> October 2009. PCs Thompson and Faulkner said they would look into this.

#### 5 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at 7pm in Kings Park Hall.**

It is hoped that the speaker at this meeting will be Councillor Margaret Salsbury who has agreed to speak about her duties on the Council.