# **DERBYSHIRE COUNTY HORSEWATCH** 20 January 2020

**PRESENT** 

Ruth Dodd BHS Derbyshire

Vickie Gottschald Ashbourne & County (Treasurer)

Helen Jackson Amber Valley (Treasurer) & County (acting Secretary)

Dianne Kenney Buxton / High Peak & County (Chair)
PC Paul Russell Derbyshire Police - Rural Crime Team

Carol Woodall Derbyshire Police - Derbyshire Alert Co-ordinator

**APOLOGIES** 

Jean Burrows Amber Valley

Carol Counter Amber Valley (Chair)

Erika Green High Peak & County (Co-ordinator)

## **DERBYSHIRE ALERT**

• This was re-instated in October 2019 and now has 30,000 users on the system.

- The system puts out alerts about any aspects of crime or geographic areas that registered users have selected.
- We are asking all Horsewatch members to register for Derbyshire Alert. Horsewatch and Farmwatch are selectable alerts on the system, ie members can request alerts about those things specifically.
- How to register is attached to these minutes and has been posted onto the website, with notifications and links also posted on Derbyshire Horsewatch site. All groups with facebook pages are asked to copy the information and post to their groups Action: All
- If you are already registered Derbyshire Alert, please check that you have selected Horsewatch and Farmwatch in your preferences – USE IT OR LOSE IT.

### 1. MATTERS ARISING

- Hi Viz tabards put a photo onto the website Carried over.
   Action: HJ / CC
- Letter for PCSOs, that they could give to people when they are dealing with crimes or incidents – Carried over.
   Action HJ / PC R
- We have also been contacted by PCSO Lee Baker in High Peak suggesting organising a tack marking event - Carried over.

  Action :DK

# 2. COUNTY CO-ORDINATOR / RURAL CRIME TEAM REPORT

- The RCT have undertaken animal handling training with Cheshire Police.
- RCT planning to make data tagging of vehicles and horse trailers / boxes available at larger show this summer. Please follow their facebook page (Derbyshire Rural Crime Team)for information.
- PC Russell reminded team that we can now submit video footage of incidents (including road issues) to the police on <a href="https://snap.derbyshire.police.uk/">https://snap.derbyshire.police.uk/</a>.

# 3. WATCH REPORTS

- **Amber Valley** Ongoing issues with the ponies on Sir Frank Whittle Way. Following floods in November, all agencies are now involved. 2 issues reported of aggressive drivers and abusive behaviour. Suspicious person reported in a field in Bargate, spoken to by a horse owner and no further incidents.
- Ashbourne No report.
- Chesterfield No report.
- Derby South No report.
- **Erewash** No report
- **High Peak** 1 escaped horse returned to owner
- Matlock EG has been contacted by a potential coordinator.

  Action: EG
- Ticknall No report.

#### 4. TREASURER REPORT

- Balance £3497.13
- It was agreed to buy the Rural Crime Team a micro-chip scanner out of funds. Specified with a USB charger so it can be charged in the car.

  Action: VG

# 5. **BE AWARE THIS QUARTER**

- Trailer and Horsebox Security
  - i. Refresh Photos and description to take account of any new damage / marks.
  - ii. Make sure you have a record of the chassis number.
  - iii. Where possible, register your trailer with the manufacturer (Ifor Williams definitely offer this service check with your manufacturer).
- Update your horse photos to make sure you have a full set of summer and winter.
- Make sure that you report any stolen batteries to the Police. They can be used in the making of Crystal Meth. So, pockets of battery thefts may indicate a nearby lab.

### 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Advertise for a new Secretary on Facebook
- VG Cyber security meeting
  - o Some useful contacts from Safe & Secure #DerbyshireOnline:
    - Cyber Security Tookit for voluntary groups www.saferderbyshire.gov.uk/toolkit
    - Advice about improving cyber security <u>Jodie.nevin.17222@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk</u>

Action: HJ

- For a broad range of cyber security advice go to <u>www.swgflstore.com</u>. They are a charitable trust set up to support safe and secure use of online technology.
- Derbyshire Police give further advice on <a href="http://archive.derbyshire.police.uk/Safety-advice/Cybercrime/Frauds-Scams-and-Cyber-Security/">http://archive.derbyshire.police.uk/Safety-advice/Cybercrime/Frauds-Scams-and-Cyber-Security/</a>
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  Action :DK

### **NEXT MEETINGS:**

Meetings for 2020 – All Wednesday evenings with a 19:00 (7.00 pm) start.

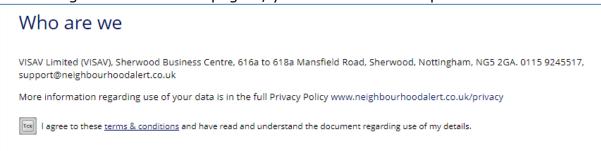
01 April 2020 - AGMHurt Arms, Ambergate, DE56 2EJ01 July 2020Rose & Crown, Smalley, DE7 6DG07 October 2020Hurt Arms, Ambergate, DE56 2EJ02 December 2020Christmas Meal – venue to be decided06 January 2021Hurt Arms, Ambergate, DE56 2EJ

## **HOW TO REGISTER FOR DERBYSHIRE ALERT**

https://www.derbyshirealert.co.uk/pages/1150/1/Register.html

NOTE: Once you have registered, you can go back in and change your preferences at any time by logging in to your account.

1. At "Registration Process" page 1, you must tick to accept terms and conditions



- 2. Complete "Basic Information" page with the contact details that you want the alerts to go to.
- 3. Complete "Home Address" page so that the alerts you get can be geographically useful. Type in your postcode and select your address on the drop-down menus, then click anywhere on the screen and the map will refresh.
- 4. The next page is equal opportunities monitoring, but you can select Prefer Not to Say on each one.
- 5. "Your Community Memberships" is the page where you select what you want to hear about. Click on Horsewatch and you may also want to pick up Farmwatch, as thefts of agricultural vehicles, break-ins on farms, etc are related to equine crime. You can select any other aspects that you want to know about.

Tour Communic	y Memberships	
Some messages that we send are only relevant to particular groups and communities. Please indicate from the selection below if you are involved with or simply interested in information relevant to any of these groups; this will assist us when targeting messages.  You can update these settings and may have additional options once you have completed your registration and have logged in. Please note, Neighbourhood Watch participation is not listed below as it is managed in a later part of this registration.		
Business Watch	CCTV Operators / Owners	Church Watch
Community Safety	Community Speed Watch	Dog Watch
Farm Watch	Firearms Licence Holders	Horse Watch
Hotel Watch	Pub Watch Members	Shop Watch schemes
Vehicle Dash-cams		

- 6. Select how you want to be contacted. The Advanced settings allows you to add times and different preferences for different times of the day.
- 7. On the "Who Can Contact You" page, make sure that you have ticked The Police, as this is where crime alerts come from, along with any others that may be of interest. Consent and Proceed at the bottom of the page.
- 8. Will ask you if you want to join or start a NW. If there is one in your area, it may be worth considering, in which case click join and you will be taken through to your nearest Watch. If not, just Skip.
- 9. The Verify box is the equivalent of the I am Not a Robot that you see on many sites. Finish.

When you get the confirmation email YOU MUST VERIFY YOUR ACCOUNT to activate it. Click on the link and it will take you to "Member Administration Area". Check that the name and address are yours, and you are all set up. Log out at the bottom of the menu on