

Report to Windermere & Bowness Chamber of Trade on meeting of:

Report to Chamber on Windermere Community Safety Partnership [WCSP] Meeting of 10.07.2008

Local Activities: there was good support for displays in the Lions' Festival tent on 9-10/08.2008 from organisations involved in various aspects of safety in the community. There would also be live entertainment on the Glebe that weekend.

Lakes School: currently project "Communications" –how the young people found out about activities in their community (awareness of The Hub, local radio, local papers, noticeboards, The Net etc).

Youth provision:

- a) Youth shelter – review in September of useage, panels, lighting etc
- b) MUGA project – subject to due consultation, consideration is being given for Windermere to have a Multi Use Games Area (similar to those in Holgarth and Sandiland in Kendal) –cooperation between SLDC and South Lakes Housing trust (who have funding for environment enhancement on land near their properties). A MUGA would be linked to Youth Workers and Sport Coaches for organised activities
- c) discussions with Lakes School for use of all weather facilities for organised sport training activities in summer holidays (current football scheme curtailed by weather)
- d) Girls football team made the finals in Manchester and though not finalists were rated "friendliest and helpful" of all teams in the competition
- e) 10 youngsters will go camping with Young Cumbria this summer
- f) 'Career' Advice Drop-in at Lakes School Tuesdays 10.00am -1.00pm from 27.07.2008

Police Activity: Youth being watched particularly for disorder, disrespect, alcohol and assault this summer through a Respect campaign this summer and Operation Smart is also running. In June 17 youths sent on "Inshore" scheme.

Awareness being raised of Fuel theft from vehicles, via drive off from filling stations, from bulk storage at farms and industrial premises. Caravan parks are also being visited in this connection and about "Lock it or Lose it" safety.

Community Police officers doing shop safety awareness visits in Windermere and Bowness, sometimes with Paul Holdsworth – and following the successful 'Blue' weekend in Windermere will "seed" the idea of a pre-Christmas event during these visits, when talking about trade in general

Home Watch – making contacts in Mountain Ash development, also good contacts in Oak Street, Beresford Road, South & West Craig. The Voice Contact system is being used to raise awareness of Fuel and scrap metal theft and other scams. Local Websites (eg www.natland.info) are used where possible. The Chairman suggested using the Chamber's website and information pages to spread news on such scams. (*Contact Details of Chamber website and AGF passed to Andrea Bell by WFJ on 10.07.08*)

South Lakes Development Trust: having problems getting £p data from recommended supplier for CCTV for retailers. Following on from the 'Blue Event' in Windermere, traders in Windermere and Bowness will be encouraged to have a 'pre Christmas' Event; the 'Blue event' was driven by a core of Windermere traders and Bowness should have a similar core to 'drive' that area's plans (Paul asked for contact name(s) when available).

There will be a Windermere traders 'blue' review meeting week commencing 21 or 28 July and Bowness traders are welcome have a rep sit in

NB Bill to be contacted as to date, time and place and I would suggest Ian Plumb of Threshers, Bowness if he can be the rep (with his wife's business in Windermere he's probably aware of the ins 7 outs of the 'Blue' event anyway. The lady at We Love the Lakes in Ash St has also expressed interest in some kind of event in her area)

Next meeting 09.10.2008 Lakes School at 2.00pm