**Minutes of the Pipers Area residents Association Meeting held 14.4.14 at 7.30pm at the Wheatsheaf, Newport Street.**

1. **Apologies:** Daphne Hardwick, Cllr Bluh, Cllr Mattock, Susanne Webb, Duncan Cunningham.

**Present:** Chris Hawkins, Carole Bent, Kareen Boyd, Bea Menier, Colin Doubleday, Judith Randell-Sly, Claire Bouverie-Brine, Cllr Watts, PC North, Linda Kasmaty

**Guests:** Jane Milner-Barry, Neil Hopkins, Chris Watts

1. **Minutes of the Last Meeting:** proposed by Chris, seconded by Colin
2. **Matters arising**

Street light on the unadopted section of Marlborough Lane

**Action:** Cllr Watts will enquire again about this.

1. **Police Update**

Thefts from a wallet in Dominos, bike form Commonweal, Car from Nationwide car park. Burglaries from the trading estate, The Birches on Marlborough Road, a Garage in the Mall,

Violent behaviour included a fork stabbing, 4 girls on Quarry Road arguing, ASB in St. Margaret’s Road where a door was kicked, no charges pressed, Pleydell Road dispute, Marlborough Road dog walker’s dispute.

Criminal damage in Christ Church’s new Peace Garden.

Night time economy – violence in Baker St, 3 D&D, racially aggravated assault Baker St., 4 thefts of mobiles and a purse from unattended jackets, car tyre slashed in Union St., Drugs in Wood St. A rear window of a car was damaged in Croft Road on 20.3.

The breakdown truck which has been parked in the Marlborough Lane parking bay for 8 months is now no longer taxed.

**Action:** Someone to contact DVLA.

1. **Councillor’s Update**

Cllr Watts did a Croft walkabout with 5 officers including Martin Hambidge and Bob Britten and identified the Scotby Avenue flower bed, the Astroturf area near the tree planting area, general litter and the pedestrian refuge as areas in need of attention, hopefully at the Spring clean.

£103,000 of Section 106 money has been allocated for Old Town in the Corn Exchange development area with £1000 for signage.

Cllr Mattock has been asked at a previous meeting about £55,020 of Section 106 money to be spent on the area between High St. and Lawn. No answer has been given yet.

**Action:** Cllr Mattock to clarify what the money was for, and when it will expire.

1. **Croft Lease**

Many people responded to the Croft Field consultation which was not well publicised, committee members would like to see the responses submitted by residents.

1. **Maintenance of lane**

There were concerns expressed about leaves, litter and drains and who is responsible for them.

The unadopted section of Marlborough Lane has apparently been taken out of the L&C change offer.

**Action:** Cllr Mattock to confirm whether it has been taken off lease.

1. **Tree Preservation Order**

George Mead is coming to look at the trees in Marlborough Lane.

1. **Corn Exchange Update**

This item was postponed, Steve Rosier has offered to do a static presentation of plans at the AGM.

1. **May 11th  Spring Clean 2-4pm**

Kareen has organised the running order and areas to receive attention and liaised with Tracy Scott, Localities Officer.

1. **May 17th AGM at Croft 10-12noon.**

Format much the same as last year, invited speakers include Richard Deacon OTBG, Robert Buckland MP, a representative from Croft School.

**Date of next meeting:** 12th May at the Wheatsheaf 7.30pm

Just looking at the minutes again, there is £105,000 s106 money available in Old Town in connection with the Corn Exchange re-development.

£1000 signage money in Old Town is separate to this and not s106 money.