

## **BRIEFING PAPER FOR FAILSWORTH AND HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**

### **Community Safety Officer Update**

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#### **Purpose of Paper**

The purpose of this paper is to update the Failsworth and Hollinwood District Executive on Community Safety initiatives including alley gating projects.

#### **Change in role of Community Safety Officers**

As you may be aware there has been a borough wide reduction in Community Safety Officers (CSO's) having been reduced from six officers to four. Therefore Michael Fleming has been relocated and will have responsibility for Failsworth, Hollinwood and Chadderton District Teams. Tony Hynes will be responsible for East Oldham and the town centre which is part of Oldham District Teams.

#### **Alley gating schemes**

Brookdale/Dovedale/Beresford Street- completed.

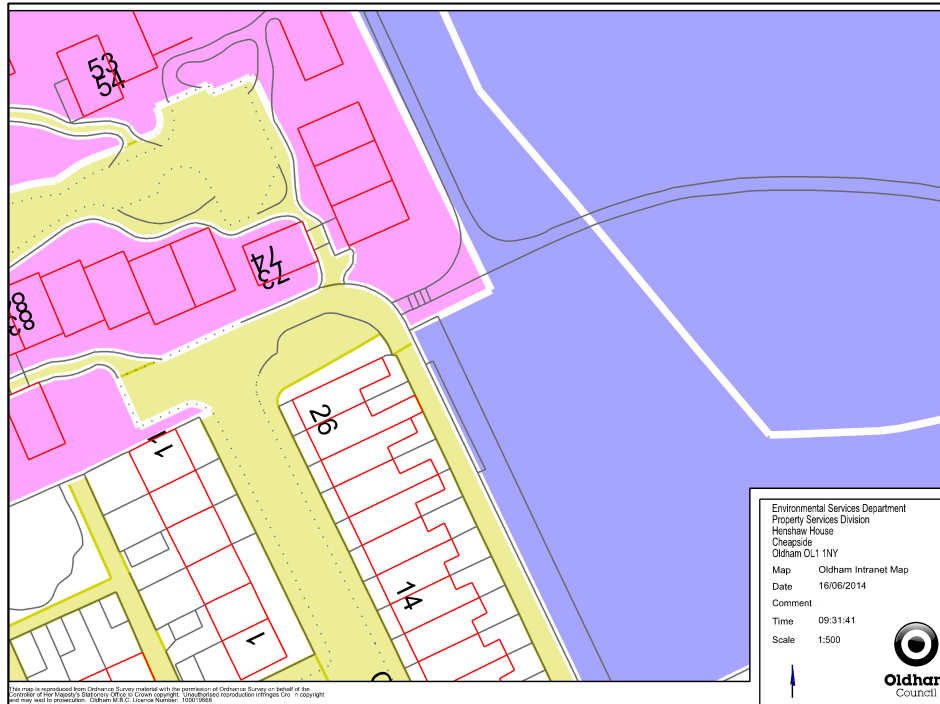
Olive Street/Ash Street-completed.

Shropshire/Nottingham- awaiting for Gating Order to be signed off.

**CSS 1066 – Minor St/Norman St/Emily Close/Clifton St;** after a site visit this scheme will require 4 gates and further consultation with residents will have to take place which is currently on going. This area is partly adopted and will therefore require a Gating Order application to proceed.

**CSS 1067 – Clovelly Avenue/Brennan Court** closure of footpath south of Oasis Academy (see attached map). Consultation is still in

progress with a view to applying for a Gating Order. It will require a section of fencing with one pedestrian gate; however no keys will be distributed to residents. A gate is a viable option in the event should access may be required. An estimated total cost for the installation and Gating Order application would be approximately £2000.



## Other initiatives

**Operation Tuscan** - Tesco precinct multi agency operation to reduce ASB in area. This included a Volunteer Week whereby new Police Cadets along with Police officers formed small teams along with Partner agencies to walk around an allocated area speaking with youths, shopkeepers, stores and basically interacting with the community in and around the Failsworth and Hollinwood Ward.

Whilst doing this each team focused on their area and how it could be improved. It was also an opportunity to complete a mini Environmental Visual Audit of each area. This would be placed on an evidential sheet which would be used in a Friday Workshop with the Cadets and the CAST team as a problem solving exercise. The week was also a good opportunity to get each area addressed with any clean up issues. The CSO and other members of the District Team each volunteered and covered an evening each. Councillors were also invited to the event.

**Crucial Crew** - This is a borough wide initiative involving all primary school pupils in year 6 which runs for three weeks. It takes place at Failsworth TA Centre with officers from Community Safety, Youth Services, Greater Manchester Police and British Transport Police delivering inputs on safety. This includes anti-social behaviour, drugs and alcohol, internet safety, safety on the rail network, differences and road safety. All primary schools in Failsworth and Hollinwood were invited to attend.

**Home Watch** – A new scheme has been introduced in Dalton Street with a new Coordinator. Residents who have signed up to the scheme have been provided with a property marking pen and segment timer provided by the District Executive.

**Burglary Victims** - Security surveys are offered to all victims of domestic Burglary, however still relatively low uptake.

**ASB** – 25 Warning letters, 5 of which were second warning letters have been sent to the parents or guardians of individuals involved in and around the precinct area.

There are a number of complex neighbour disputes currently being dealt with, involving extensive partnership working which require appropriate support and intervention.

**Community Safety Event** – Councillor Garry has proposed that as a district we organise a safety event with a strong emphasis on promoting Home Watch. This would include inviting Tony Lloyd the Police and Crime Commissioner, Police, Fire Service, Home Watch Coordinators, Councillors and District Officers. This could also include Chadderton District with covering both areas. It would also reassure residents that we are there to support them.

It will require careful planning and organisation of which all members could become involved; Councillor Garry has suggested the event be held in the Barbara Dawson Suite at Failsworth Town Hall with a timescale of 8 weeks. Members will be updated in due course.