Councillor Dave Jackson January 2023 report

It has been predictably quiet since the last meeting in December.

Following that meeting, I chatted to Roger Tyers about the burglary concerns brought to our attention by Leonie Ingram. I agreed that some kind of public meeting that Roger suggested, perhaps involving the police, may be a way of coordinating those residents who are willing to form some kind of community organisation. Whether this could be a formal Neighbourhood Watch is something both Roger and I are keen to investigate.

I wrote to our previous PCSO Chris Jones, who I am still in contact with, and who can be a great help. I copied Roger into this correspondence. He was somewhat embarrassed by the lack of contact we seem to have had from PCSO Ben Hallam, and it transpires that Ben is actually now retraining to become a full P.C. based in Cowley.

I wrote to Ben to get a firm confirmation and we now have Helen Duffield as our PCSO who actually lives on Orchard Way. Hopefully this will be a better arrangement

Roger had been trying to get in touch with Helen. She rang me a couple of days ago, and I am pleased to say she is hoping to come to the next SBPC meeting on Jan 16th.

I asked her about how we can enquire about establishing a Neighbourhood Watch, and now it is all done online. The police are not now responsible for doing this, so I guess it is up to us!!

I have updated Leonie Ingram about the progress we have made.

On a different matter, I wrote to Justin Gargan at WODC who is my contact for street cleaning. He had mentioned to me (after I thanked him for the cleaning by the school) that they would come to clean other troublesome areas where debris gets washed down to clog the drains. I have reminded him about Kiddington Road down to the Fox Lane junction which is an utter quagmire. After recent torrential downpours, the entrance to Fox Land had turned into a lake!