

MEETING WITH POLICE SERGEANT EBOU FAAL, CLLR. HUNTER AND THE CLERK

29 December 2024

The Clerk had contacted DS Faal to ask for a meeting regarding the lights on Emperor Way and how best to protect them.

Q. Can there be more police patrols along Emperor Way?

A. Fishbourne is an area which is under surveillance, currently there are only two police officers covering the area. The PCSO is George Hughes. Natalie Totoriene is also a PCSO who works in Fishbourne.

Q. Would 'slalom bars' across the path be of assistance to stop the path being used as a rat run to evade police.

A. If someone is being chased, their welfare becomes the responsibility of the Police, so such features would not help.

Q. Can we do any more than the spikes, anti-climb paint and cameras?

A. Fencing the lights off would keep them safer.

Q. Complaints have been made about youths on e-bikes and e-scooters.

A. The Police are working with the shops that sell and repair these vehicles to trace the owners. If they can identify the owners, the bikes can be seized.

Q. What about CCTV?

A. If someone can be identified they can be made an example of. Even if they are hooded they may be recognised or traced via the CCTV network to a place where they may take off the hood. If there is a pattern, that can be followed up. Pam Bushby from CDC can advise further.

Q. Are the Police aware of the thefts and ASB at nights in Fishbourne which is often on Fishbourne Vibes?

A. Social media is not monitored, so only aware if it is reported. Encourage anyone who has Ring Doorbell footage to send it in to the Police. Sometimes reports go to different departments, so the whole picture is not always seen. If there are three or four reports on Vibes the Clerk was asked to contact PCSO Hughes so he can log it and spot a pattern. If someone is prosecuted this is a good deterrent.

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