

SNAP MEETING

THE MEETING WAS HELD AT TERRINGTON ST CLEMENTS CLLR WILES AND CLLR LEIVERS WITH A LOCAL RESIDENT WERE THE ONLY PEOPLE PRESENT. WE WERE ACCOMPANIED BY BOROUGH CLLR JOSH OSBOURNE.

OUR LOCAL BEAT OFFICERS INFORMED US THAT THEY HAVE VISITED OVER 62 PLACES OF EDUCATION SPEAKING TO YOUNG PEOPLE INCLUDING 9 VISITS TO SECONDARY/HIGH SCHOOLS, 4 CHILDREN'S HOMES AND 25 VISITS TO PRIMARY SCHOOLS THIS WAS A PRIORITY FROM OUR LAST MEETING TO ENGAGE WITH CHILDREN. WE WERE TOLD CHILDREN WERE AFRAID TO REPORT ASSAULTS THEY HAD ENCOUNTERED AGAINST THEMSELVES

WE WERE ASKED BY A COUNCILLOR ABOUT KNIFE CRIME AND WE DISCUSSED THIS WITH THE POLICE OFFICERS PRESENT THERE IS NOT A PROBLEM WITH KNIFE CRIME IN DOWNHAM MARKET. KNIFE CRIME DOES INCLUDE CARRYING SHARP INSTRUMENTS EG SCISSORS.

IT DID DECREASE BY ALMOST 15% IN MARCH 2024.

FROM MONDAY 13TH TO SUNDAY 19TH MAY 2024 THERE WAS A NATIONAL SCHEME CALLED OPERATION SCEPTRE TO VISIT RETAILERS OFFERING EDUCATION AND ADVICE ON SALE OF KNIVES.

STATISTICS FOR MARCH 2024

VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL CRIMES **64**

ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR **20**

CRIMINAL DAMAGE & ARSON **15**

PUBLIC ORDER **11**

TOP PRIORITIES UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING IN JULY 2024

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT/EDUCATION

ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR VEHICLE RELATED IN RURAL AREAS.

ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR WILL STILL BE MONITORED IN OUR TOWN CENTRE THERE WERE 18 INSTANCES IN DOWNHAM MARKET.

ONE INTERESTING FACT AS WE ALL WANT TO SEE MORE POLICE ON THE BEAT

117 HOURS HAVE FOCUSED ON THE POLICE WALKING AROUND THE AREA.

THESE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND ALTHOUGH CLLR WILES AND MYSELF WILL ALWAYS TAKE ANY CONCERNS TO THEM THAT WE ARE TOLD ABOUT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMIND THE PUBLIC ANYONE CAN ATTEND AND ASK QUESTIONS. IT IS OUR LOCAL POLICE WHO ATTEND.

CLLR LEIVERS AND CLLR WILES