
Meeting	Rural West York Ward Committee
Date	1 July 2009
Present	Councillors I. Gillies, P. Healey and B. Hudson 45 Residents Michelle Watling, Street Environment Officer Sgt Andy Haigh, Safer Neighbourhoods Team PC Anna Daniels, Safer Neighbourhoods Team PCSO Louise Scott, Safer Neighbourhoods Team PCSO Nigel Colley, Safer Neighbourhoods Team Michael Hawtin, Neighbourhood Management Officer Michelle Kelly, Neighbourhood Support Worker Tim Englefield, Askham Bryan College Philip Grant, Askham Bryan College

1. DROP IN EVENT AT ASKHAM BRYAN COLLEGE

This was an informal ward committee meeting organised around a tour of Askham Bryan College. Residents had the opportunity to chat with councillors, council officers and the Safer Neighbourhoods Team over refreshments. They then heard a short presentation by Tim Englefield about the facilities and courses at Askham Bryan College, before breaking into two groups for a tour of the college. One group explored the animal management and equine sections of the college and met residents like Twiglet the alpaca, a meercat, several horses, tarantulas and many others. The second group had a tour of the horticultural college, visiting the greenhouses and looking in on milking time at the working farm.

Following the tours, the Safer Neighbourhoods Team gave a brief update on their activities in the ward. PC Anna Daniels informed the meeting that crime figures are down in the ward with the exception of bicycle theft which has increased. The Safer Neighbourhoods Team are trying to raise awareness of security among residents, encouraging them to lock sheds and secure their gardens.

Cllr Ben Hudson, chair, invited residents to inspect the minutes of the previous meeting which were then signed. He thanked Askham Bryan College and residents who came to the meeting.

Cllr. Ben Hudson, Chair

[The meeting started at 3.30 pm and finished at 6.00 pm].