Note of the Area Forum East meeting held at Mancetter Memorial Hall, Mancetter on Tuesday, 18 September 2012

Present: Councillor Forwood in the Chair. Councillors Davis, N Dirveiks, Johnston and Wykes. County Councillor/Police Authority Fox and County Councillor Shaw.

In Attedance: L Hargreaves, T de Kretser, A Rigby and T Willis – Warwickshire County Council. C Bridges – North Warwickshire Borough Council. PC Carter and PCSO Wynder –Warwickshire Police. M Dade and H Norgrove – George Eliot Hospital. D Clews, T Clews and R Jarvis – Atherstone Town Council. M Airey, Z Askill, D Atkin, D Clay, D Dowell, Mr and Mrs Jones, S Luke, D McMurdo, J McMurdo, D Taberer, C Thay and M Wrigley – Local Residents.

Apologies: Councillors L Dirveiks, Freer and Pickard, A Macchi, M Singh, T Moore, J Marshall, A Wright, G Davis, B Hanson

1 Safer Neighbourhoods

As part of the Safer Neighbourhoods Update the following three priorities were agreed:

- Parking Nathaniel Newton School, Victoria Road, Hartshill at drop off/pick up times.
- ASB off-road motorbikes back of 3M site to Royal Meadow Drive, Atherstone
- Speeding- Manor Road, Mancetter.

Police Authority

Police Authority will cease to exist from 22 November when the newly elected Police and Crime Commissioner will take up post.

2 **George Eliot Hospital – Securing a Sustainable Future**

Heather Norgrove, Director of Stakeholder Engagement and Malcolm Dade, Non-Executive Board Member presented a summary of the progress made in respect of Securing a Sustainable Future for the hospital.

3 Adult Social Care, WCC Update

Tim Willis, Strategy Commissioning Project Lead, WCC presented an update. He reported that Bracebridge Court Residential Care Home will be independently run in the future by Runwood. The home is likely to become a specialist care provider as alternative care models, eg Mancetter Extra Care project become available.

4 WCC Update

• Councillor Grant Fund, WCC - £10,000 is available to voluntary and community groups across AFE. County Councillors Fox and Shaw each have £5k to support local community projects in their area. Deadline date for receipt of application forms is 28 September 2012.

• Community Computers Scheme provides 125 ex-WCC computers to be recycled each year into the community. 25 are free for NW community groups and Town/Parish Councils. Deadline date for applications 26 October 2012.

5 Any Other Business

- Request to look at private dwelling development at Cherry Tree Farm and driveway used by residents (though not a right of way) to access Hartshill Hayes Country Park.
- Request for NWBC to extend recycling scheme to include all 'scrap metals' to counter the rise in scrap metal merchants locally and to look at criteria for granting licences to local operators.
- 6 **Date of Next Meeting** 20 November 2012 at the Partnership Centre, Coleshill Road, Atherstone.