



Neighbourhood Action Groups (NAGs) are a key part of neighbourhood policing. A NAG is a multi-agency, problem-solving group that consists of relevant partner agencies, key stakeholders and, most importantly, members of the local community.

We focus our work around three main priorities that are identified after consultation with the local community. Members, who are all volunteers, take on responsibility for achieving certain tasks on behalf of the NAG.



Who can get involved in a NAG?

NAGs attract a broad and diverse membership with a variety of skills and experience. The following are examples of who might sit on a NAG:

- District council representative
- Youth service
- Housing association manager
- Local business community member
- Licensee
- Neighbourhood Watch coordinator
- Neighbourhood police officer
- Young people

Aims and aspirations of the NAG

1. Influence decisions and encourage action on issues that matter to people in our neighbourhood
2. Change things for the better
3. Work in partnership with key agencies

Why our NAG really works

Neighbourhood management in Bampton, Carterton & Burford is driven by community members to improve quality of life and reduce the fear of crime.

Residents identify their top three local priorities and we work in partnership to tackle these issues. Most importantly we have a real influence on the service provided by public agencies in our area.

Our commitment

The group's responsibilities are varied and include considering the audit of crime and disorder, providing relevant feedback to our communities and helping to maintain the low level of fear of crime.

Our current neighbourhood priorities are:

- Anti-social behaviour
- Traffic issues (including speeding)
- Litter



Carterton Youth Council

(Matty Yallop: Chairman 2008-09)

Carterton Youth Council has had a very busy year making big changes in the community and providing a voice for young people in Carterton. One of the highlights was the visit of the Princess Royal to open the brand new Community Centre. The Youth Council provided a stall at this event promoting what young people are able to do within their communities.

The construction of the new pump track - a sort of super BMX track for cyclists of all ages and skill levels - was funded by the Youth Council and has been extremely popular since it was built. We hope to expand what is an active, fun sport situated at the Dell on Upavon Way.

Charity work has always been a large focus since the creation of Carterton Youth Council. Last year, the chosen charity was CLIC Sargent which helps children with cancer and leukaemia while also supporting their families during the tough times before, during and after treatment. We had a stall at the Christmas Street fair and the Royal British Legion Fete at the beginning of July.

Carterton Youth Council is now online! We have created a website and hope to advertise the activities available for young people in the town. Check it out at www.cartertyouthcouncil.co.uk

Our new logo has also been designed this year by a student from Edith Moorhouse Primary School. The colours fit in well with the town and as we are a Carterton Town Council Committee we have included the colours from their logo. We welcome the coming year with high hopes of bigger achievements to come.

BIG tidy up

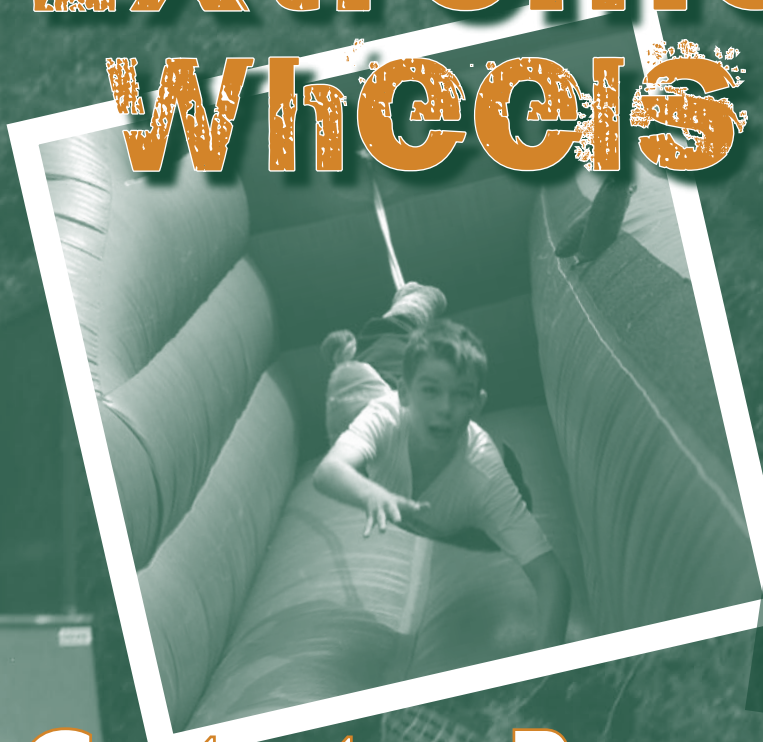
Litter is one of the top neighbourhood priorities and the NAG held its annual clean up day in June with great success.

More than 20 volunteers from the NAG, Thames Valley Police, Carterton Town Council, St John's Church and Carterton Community College collected 24 sacks of litter. A team from West Oxfordshire District Council cleaned off graffiti.





Extreme Wheels



On Saturday 8 August 2009, the Dell Skate Park in Carterton was once again transformed the skateboard, inline and BMX party, now commonly known as Extreme Wheels.

The event officially runs from 10am until 10pm and includes competitions in the three categories (Skateboard, Inline and BMX) as well as a bungee run, adult bouncy castle, BBQ, t-shirt sales and live music performances by no less than seven bands!

The competition winners were awarded prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each category, the prizes were very kindly donated by SS20 (Oxford skate shop), Extreme Stores (Oxford BMX shop) and Rapture music stores.

London based band "GetSetRadio" opened the live music show with a brilliant 30 minute set, witnessed and greatly enjoyed by Carterton Town Mayor, Cllr Maxine Crossland. The bands which followed included ATB from Carterton, Static Action from Witney, Pegasus Bridge from Manchester, Idiosync from Birmingham, Phantom Theory from Oxford and finally, headlining the show was Divine Secret from Cheltenham.

The Extreme Wheels project is organised and managed by park regulars and friends and supported by local businesses, churches, Carterton Youth Council and community volunteers. Project meetings were held every two months and each decision involved the young people who use the skate park.

Carterton Pump Track

The idea to build a pump track was presented to the Town Council Recreation Committee in January by Dan Sinnott, a mountain biker from Shilton Park.

The Council said it was a project it might be interested in but needed more information.

In February, Matty Yallop (Chair of Carterton Youth Council) promoted the pump track project and tried to secure funding in a national competition, unfortunately without success. But it was decided to propose that the track should be funded using Youth Council funds.

The proposal was put to full council in March and the project was supported unanimously.

Further meetings have finalised the project plan and funding has been secured. Dan Sinnott has led the project and other local BMX'ers and

mountain bikers have been involved in all stages of design and build.

The track was designed, built and tested before July and is now in good use. We are planning an official opening soon.

Carterton, Bampton and Burford Neighbourhood Team



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