

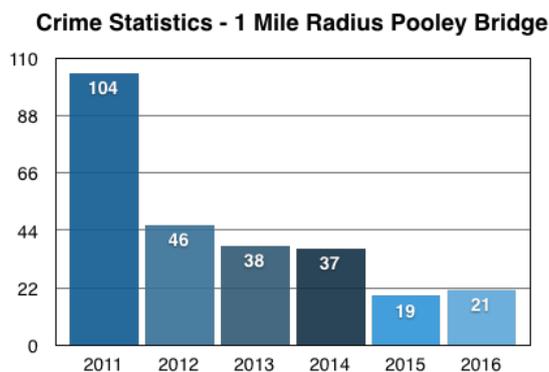


## TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF BARTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Pooley Bridge Neighbourhood Watch - Report No. 25

#### Crime Statistics

Following the impressive decline in reported crime in our area over the last five years it is no surprise that the twelve months running total to the end of February, 2016, shows a small increase. The reason is of course the spate of house raids on the Dacre side of the river when our bridge collapse had turned the area into a vulnerable cul de sac. More details are available at Appendices 1 and 2.



#### Public Liability Insurance

The Neighbourhood & Home Watch Network has secured funding from the Home Office again for the 6th year to be able to secure free Public Liability Insurance for the whole movement to be covered to the value of £10,000,000. Additional cover includes Community Emergency Planning Committees and 'emergency neighbourly acts' (if undertaken under the NW banner), plus Personal Accident Cover for Coordinators under the age of 80 years, whilst undertaking tasks on behalf of NW.

#### Neighbourhood Watch National Week - June 2016

As part of a national promotion of the NW we hope to have new NW stickers and booklets to distribute to members and potential new members during June.

#### Barton Community Resilience Group

CW gave a summary of 'evidence' from the Parish, on the recent effectiveness of the EDC sandbag policy, to the Scrutiny Committee at Penrith Town Hall on Tuesday 12 April. There has still not been any trace of feedback from a survey of Finkle St./Crown Square drainage issues (first agreed to in early May 2015), despite assurances on several occasions since. Due to lack of new volunteers, and preoccupation of our holding group, no further chasing has been done and no progress has been made towards a Community Emergency Plan.

**David Armitage / Cyril Wilson**

**10 May 2016**

