**Bradley Neighbourhood Watch Annual Report – 18th May 2023**

I’ve been Chair of Bradley NW for just a few months following an approach by the outgoing chair and I feel privileged to have been asked.

We have lived in the village for 5 years, within a few days of moving-in there was a knock on the door, it was our local neighborhood watch coordinator, welcoming us to the village and delivering a ‘welcome pack’, including a Welcome booklet from the Parish Church, a list of activities at the village hall and NW booklets. We felt a real sense of community – and building a spirit of community is what NW is all about, neighbors looking out for each other and each other’s property.

Bradley NW, is a long-established scheme and some members have been involved since its commencement. The scheme is centered around Bradley village, organized over 14 locations with a coordinator for each, this is essentially how we communicate. We have recently posted alerts on Bradley Buzz and will look to use this more.

We meet 4 times per year at 6.30 in the Red Lion pub, members grab a drink and have a chat, we have an agenda but it’s not too formal. The social side is as important as the business side, it’s an opportunity for members/neighbors to get together.

At our last meeting we said a Thankyou and goodbye to the outgoing chair for his of involvement. There was a small presentation and even our PCSO Pat Wright arrived to wish Stephen and Nancy well and say thank you.

Bradley is not a den of criminal activity but there have been incidents and we need to remain vigilant and aware, probably more so in these difficult times.

Our next meeting is 25th May.