WILFORD COMMUNITY GROUP

Minutes of the Community Group Committee Meeting Held at 7:30pm on Monday 19th March 2012 At Wilford Social and Bowls Club

Present: Andrew Rule (AR) – Chair

Peter Stiles (PBS) - Treasurer

Sheila Atherton (SA) Alan Foster (AF) Brian Hardy (BH) Frank Wakelin (FW)

In attendance: Dougal Hartley - Sainsburys

Peter Sturgeon - Sainsburys Highways Consultant

Bob Keys - Sainsburys, Public Affairs

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1	Apologies Daniel Atherton, Bill Roughton, Dave Boulton, Alan Waddley, Parbinder Singh	
2	Minutes of the 20th February Meeting Approved.	
3	The Sainsbury's Development team have already met other groups including councillors, schools, ROKO and Scottish and Newcastle and the landowners. Sainsbury's are meeting the WCG as part of their first consultation round. No planning application has yet been submitted. There will be a second chance to comment when the application is submitted, which expected within weeks.	
	The proposed building will be made from timber with a high sustainability rating. The shop will be on stilts over a 600 capacity car park. Capacity is similar to Castle Boulevard. The original plan for a petrol station has been dropped.	
	The biggest barrier identified has been highways. Notts County Council has audited the highways assessment that Sainsbury's has undertaken, and the plans for Becket Way have been changed to include greater width and safer cycling lanes, pedestrian crossings, barriers and a widened footway. There will also be a car park for parents to use to drop off and pick up their children.	
	Wilford Lane will be widened from the railway embankment to Becket Way to create a dedicated left turn lane and at ROKO to create a dedicated right turn lane. There will be a recessed bus stop on the north side of the road to reduce the impact of the bus stop on traffic flow.	

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The work on the road infrastructure is being paid for by Sainsburys.

At present there are no plans to impose a speed limit on the site but this will be reviewed should speeding become an issue.

A cycleway will be included in the development to make appropriate provision for cyclists.

Traffic modelling has yet to be completed to incorporate any implications from the proposed merging of local medical centres.

Should stray trolleys become an issue then self braking trolleys will be introduced in conjunction with a pound slot system already planned.

Whilst the impact of traffic on Wilford Lane/Main Road during school-time and during football matches has been considered, no specific works have been planned at this time to respond to these issues.

This a County Council are the main authority overseeing this development, however they are also working with the City and the Highways Agency.

At present the proposed bus stop can cater for two buses or one "bendy" bus – Sainsburys will review whether this is enough in due course.

The proposed store will not be open twenty hours.

Modelling of proposed customers has been carried out – it is expected that Asda may lose out, additionally it is unlikely that there will be any adverse impact on the Castle Boulevard site which is believed to be operating over capacity at present.

It is believed that Sainsburys policies do not allow a post office to be included in situ but this will be confirmed.

A petrol station has been removed from the site after safety fears were raised by the Beckett School.

4 Diamond Jubilee

The Costings for the the Jubilee event have been agreed in principle by the Area Committee. Formal approval should be received shortly. The Subcommittee is taking soundings of local residents via the Church and a questionnaire in the Co-op as to the preferred day either Saturday or Bank Holiday Monday. A broad plan includes a champagne breakfast, family fun on the green and fireworks at the rugby club. Final programme in next 2 weeks. A red, white and blue theme is proposed, and the allotment group is considering how they can contribute via the planters.

5 Library Asset Transfer

Next meeting 1st April. Feasibility plan funding has been secured as first

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	step towards a business plan.	
6	Area committee feedback	
	Clifton, Silverdale and Wilford have been merged with Bridge Ward (Meadows) Committee. The changes will take effect at the next Committee meeting in May.	
7	Cribb Close wall Andrew expects to get the answer on ownership shortly. If the wall is under Council ownership it may be possible to approach them to repair it.	AR to follow up
8	Single Gateway Funding Application PBS confirmed that the Single Gateway Funding Request for £600 has been completed. The Group agreed that the application should be submitted. It was noted that this represented £200 from each councillor's fund.	
9	Silverdale Island Highways Agency confirmed that no further consultation is planned until after the A453 widening has been completed.	
10	Any Other Business BR reported that it was till the intention to obtain a portable speed monitor that also displays a vehicle's speed to its driver. It will be purchased by Silverdale Community Association but can be used anywhere in the local area.	

Signed(Chair
Date

The meeting closed at 9:30pm.