

WILFORD COMMUNITY GROUP

Minutes of the Community Group Committee Meeting Held at 7:30pm on Monday 20th January 2014 At The Ferry Inn

Present: Andrew Rule (AR) – Chair
David Boulton (DB) - Secretary
Peter Stiles (PBS) – Treasurer
Sheila Atherton (SA)
Linda Stiles (LS)
Brian Hardy (BH)
Pat Huxley (PH)
Alan Foster (AF)

Also present: CPO Allan Wadley
Councillor Roger Steel (RS)
Parbinder Singh, Nottingham City Council (PS)
And local residents

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1	Apologies: Daniel Atherton, Frank Wakelin	
2	Minutes of 16th December 2013: Approved.	
3	Asset Transfer: No progress – awaiting meeting with Nottingham City Council.	
4	<p>Tram Concerns A number of points were made by Coronation Avenue residents and committee members, summarised as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There has been an increase in mud deposited on Main Road and Coronation Avenue. Although there is a full-time road sweeper in place, its brushes appear to be ineffective and are merely pushing mud into the gutters. Where cars are parked, these are having mud sprayed onto them. • Lorries (Bowring) have been parking on the pavement along Coronation Avenue causing mud to be deposited onto the pavements. • Damage is being caused to both Main Road and Coronation Avenue with potholes being created. • Lorries are now leaving the village along Coronation Avenue and Vernon Avenue and it is perceived that the lorries are travelling at excessive speed. • Lorries turning into Vernon Avenue from Coronation Avenue are crossing the pavement causing damage and risking the safety of pedestrians, especially school children walking to the Emmanuel, Becket and St Patrick's schools. • PBS reminded the meeting that at a previous meeting, NET has said that 	

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	<p>lorries would use the tram corridor at the rear of the embankment to reach Wilford Lane and that lorries would not travel along Main Road at school run time. Neither is happening.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the mornings, lorries are parking along Main Road causing traffic delays at school run time. Some lorries are parking outside Main Road Garage close to the school. • The street lighting on Coronation Avenue between the junction with Vernon Avenue and the embankment has been damaged and are no longer working. • During the Wilford Lane works, the road sign at Ashdown Close had been damaged although PS reported that this had been reported to the Council. • No leaflets had been posted through doors recently and none were posted in relation to the recent lane closures at the crossroads. • Coronation Avenue residents reported that vibration and noise monitors had been removed from their properties just as the major work started. RS remarked that one resident had engaged the services of a structural engineer. Residents have reported cracks appearing in walls. • DB asked if the large notice at the crossroads constituted advertising and if it did, had consent been given. AR agreed to contact the Planning department. • AR agreed to arrange a meeting between NET, the constructors and Coronation Avenue residents. 	AR AR
5	<p>Localism Act – Assets of Community Value: DB reported that a decision was now due by 30th January. AR reported that the Club had supported the application.</p>	
6	<p>Ruddington Lane / Local Plan DB reported that a planning application had been submitted and was approved subject to work starting by February 2014. RS reported that there was a large area of overgrown land that could be developed, but no further applications had been submitted.</p>	
7	<p>Street Drainage: RS reported that the drains between South Wilford School and the Ferry Inn had been cleared. PBS reported that there was still at least one drain that needed clearing and it had been reported to the council. RS will provide AR with contact details at the Council for future reference.</p>	RS
8	<p>Flood Defence Heights BH reminded the meeting that the Environment Agency had promised to check the flood defence height adjacent to the Rugby Club. AR will chase.</p>	AR
9	<p>Date of April Meeting It was agreed that the April meeting would be put back to 28th April.</p>	
10	<p>Any Other Business 10.1 PBS reported that the graffiti on the river side of the embankment wall had been reported but RS said it could take up to six months to be removed by the Environment Agency. AR will contact the EA to see if it can be done sooner. 10.2 DB reported that Councillor Lee Jeffrey had been deemed to have resigned by the Labour group as he had not attended full council meetings for six months. A by-election will be held although it is not yet known whether this would be combined with the European Assembly elections or on a different date. 10.3 AR reminded residents to keep personal belongings out of site in cars – he</p>	AR

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<p>had been the victim of the theft of a coat from his car. 10.4 RS suggested moving the speed monitor to the post at the southern end of the B-Bank. DB questioned whether this would be permitted as it already had a school waning sign attached. Parbinder Singh agreed to contact the Road Safety team to find out. RS suggested that the monitor be set to trigger at 20mph and display "20" to drivers.</p>	<p>PS</p>

The meeting closed at 9:00pm.

Signed.....(Chair)

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