

WILFORD COMMUNITY GROUP

MINUTES of the Group Meeting on 20 June 2011 at 7:30 pm, at the Wilford Bowls & Social Club, 55 Main Street, Wilford.

PRESENT – Stephanie Taylor (ST) - Chairwoman, Peter Stiles (PS), - Treasurer, Frank Wakelin (FW), Sheila Atherton (SA), Daniel Atherton (DA), Josie Foster (JF) Andrew Rule (AR), Maureen Godfrey (MG)

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr. Roger Steel (RS)

APOLOGIES - Dave Boulton (DB) – Secretary, Brian Hardy (BH), Bill Roughton (BR)

CHAIRWOMAN'S OPENING REMARKS – ST welcomed all present. The minutes of the last meeting were approved as correct.

CHAIR'S REPORT – ST offered resignation due to moving out of Wilford. The Group noted that constitutionally it could not continue with a Chair, it was also noted the Group's continued importance during the tram installation as there could be compensatory monies available.

It was noted that despite previous efforts the Group had not always been successful in connecting with the areas of the village outside the main village, ie Ruddington Lane etc. A resident noted that Lucene Close had not received any questionnaires in respect of community facilities circulated by the Group. ST offered apologies to the resident on behalf of the Group.

ASSET TRANSFER – RS informed the Group that a further Council meeting was scheduled for September. It was concluded that AR would take on role as chair of the sub committee. MG confirmed she would continue on the Committee.

UPDATE ON AREA COMMITTEE – RS reported that Cllr. Jeanie Packer had been elected to chair the Area Committee. RS reported that the individual councillor budgets had been set. RS reported that individual councillors still retained smaller budgets with expenditure from the larger central pot requiring a formal vote from the rest of the Committee.

RS reported that an action plan for investment into local playgrounds in Clifton North and South had been discussed and that RS ensured that Ruddington Lane was included on the list. RS also reported that Cllr. Malcolm (Clifton South) had reported that approximately £60k of S.106 money had been set aside for Wilford. RS to address this at a meeting on 21 June 2011. ST reported that Fliss Walker (N.C.C.) would be reporting on progress with the updates to Ruddington Lane Play Area at September's meeting.

AREA COMMITTEE – The Group discussed arrangements for July's AGM. It was decided that to promote interest among the wider residents that detail should be given on the Group's achievements over the past year, together with possible issues that the Group may address over the forthcoming year. ST reported that Cllr. Lee Jeffrey had been invited to Chair the meeting while the election of Committee Officers/Members took place.

PORTABLE SPEED SIGNS – No further information available on whether these would be obtained by the Wilford, Silverdale & Clifton Safety Panel. BR to report at next meeting.

LILIAN GREENWOOD PUBLIC MEETING – ST reported that LG had confirmed she would be available to attend a public surgery in the Village in October. Venues were discussed as well as funding for the event.

MINI ROUNDABOUT – ST reported that DB had raised the issue of faded road markings on the mini roundabout with the Highways Agency and that there had been some confusion from them about the nature of his initial query. A further response is expected.

STREET SIGNAGE – ST reported that Parvinder Singh was due to inspect the street signage in the village and would report back in due course.

AOB – MG wished to record a vote of thanks to Alan Wadley for his efforts in assisting with combating the litter problems on the Green near the Co-op.

It was agreed that in light of the recent accident responsibility for shrub control on the Bader Road pavement would be examined. RS to additionally review responsibility for the strimming of evergreens along the narrow footpath opposite the B-bank and the pavement near the post office.

RS agreed to follow up on the relocation of the bin on Pinfold Lane to possibly closer to the Green near the Co-op.

There being further business the Chairman closed the meeting.

..... Date.....
S Taylor 20 June 2011
Chair