

# Wilford Community Group

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## Meeting Minutes

<b>Attendees</b>	Pat Huxley – Chair (PH), Sophie Blaken – Vice-Chair (SB), Clare Roughton – Treasurer (CR), Bob Atherton (BA), Pam Duesbury (PD), Cristian Nardoni (CN), Rob Nicholas (RN), John Pickles (JP), Bill Roughton (BR)
<b>Also Present</b>	Carole Goodrich (CG), Joanne Mist (JM), Jude Nicholas (JN), Cllr Roger Steel (RS)
<b>Where</b>	The Ferry Inn, Main Road, Wilford
<b>When</b>	19.30, 20 June 2022
<b>What</b>	Wilford Community Group Meeting

Item	Description	Action
<b>0</b>	<b>Agenda</b>	
0.1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Apologies</li><li>2. Minutes and Actions from 16/05/22 Meeting</li><li>3. Police and Crime Update</li><li>4. Iremongers Pond Update</li><li>5. Litter-Picking Update</li><li>6. Heritage Project Update</li><li>7. Community Events<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Feedback</li><li>- Looking Forward</li></ul></li><li>8. AOB</li></ol>	
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
1.1	Daniel Atherton (DA), Sarah Filz, Ann Gerty, Brian Hardy, Sarah O'Connor, Jeremy Pratt, Cllr Andrew Rule (AR), Stephany Schild, Terri Slade	
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes and Actions from 16/05/22 Meeting</b>	
2.1	Any actions are on this meeting's agenda, so will be dealt with later.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Police and Crime Update</b>	
3.1	Ruddington Lane Park: The bollards and gates have been replaced subsequent to the departure of the travellers, who had caused some criminal damage during their stay. RS confirmed that minor criminal damage in these circumstances was not normally followed up by the police, and that the two weeks it took to move them on was standard, in fact quicker than under previous regulations. DA is to be requested for an update, with any actions to be undertaken.	<b>PH/DA</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Iremongers Pond Update</b>	
4.1	BR reported that the previous Friday he had seen a group camping and fishing, who turned out not to be members. Various unkept promises were made regarding their departure, and their tent was	

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	subsequently slashed. The police became involved and a history of crime and drug use was uncovered. PH has moved the tent to the bin.	
4.2	BR and BA reported that the handing over of the angling to the bailiffs was well underway, with the bailiffs in the process of signing their contract with the Council. We will still cut the grass, look after the orchard and the pond surrounds. As the IPA is effectively an offshoot of the WCG, if the angling side of it were to fold BR is keen to ensure that any residual money would come to us. PH suggested that an item for the AGM should be that the fact that the IPA is a recognised sub-group of the WCG should be written into the Constitution. BA confirmed that the bailiffs bring in £1500 – 2000 income pa, and it is up to them to what use it is put. The IPA has money for the bridge from the Co-op, plus money promised for two of the heritage signs, but from now on would bring in barely any income having relinquished the fishing memberships, although they will be charging the bailiffs £250 for cutting the grass. It was felt that associate membership at £10 pa should be more widely advertised and members of the committee were encouraged to spread the word. SB suggested that adding the IPA's thanks on their board to associate members, Tesco, the Co-op etc, may attract more associate members to join.	PH  Committee PH
<b>5</b>	<b>Litter-Picking Update</b>	
5.1	This small loyal group continues to meet twice a month, with the next litter-pick being 8.00 am from The Tailors Arms on Saturday. Meanwhile, Andrea picks regularly round the pond, for which we are most grateful.	
<b>6</b>	<b>Heritage Project Update</b>	
6.1	Everything is on order to complete the phone box project. The heritage signs are being delivered to and stored in the barn, with Pinot putting them round the village in the near future.	
<b>7</b>	<b>Community Events</b>	
7.1	Feedback: PH expressed her heartfelt thanks and congratulations to all involved in the excellent Jubilee Festival, despite the bad weather. CR reported that the day made a profit of £300 from donations. Also, £45 was made from the sunflowers, for the Ukrainian appeal. DA had asked if that could be matched from the profit, which was agreed. PH also expressed her congratulations and thanks to DA who had organised most of the event, and gave thanks to the Co-op for their participation. A big thank you was extended back to PH for all the hard work she had put into liaising with the schools to produce the bunting.	CR
7.2	Looking Forward: The AGM is now to take place in September rather than July. Meanwhile, CG was co-opted onto the committee with immediate effect.  SB raised the subject of this year's safari sale, which is expected to be more popular this time. As last year, the stalls will be indicated by balloons, signs, arrows and a map. The date decided upon was Saturday 10 September, and the committee are encouraged to spread the word. RS noted that there are tram stops nearby for people who are not able to walk too far and this could be a good selling point.	Committee
<b>8</b>	<b>AOB</b>	
8.1	JM reported that she was still working with the Council on the drain problem on the allotment corner and calculated it would take another six months at least to resolve. She was awaiting a report due by 31 July.	

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	<p>JM has asked AR to look at tree trimming in the village, eg Bee Bank, where the lights are now hidden by the branches, making it particularly dangerous at night. As a result, AR has sent an email to the relevant people. An 'overgrown foliage' discussion then ensued re the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. The path at the back of the allotments leading to the pigeon bridge, which is now completely overgrown.</li><li>b. The wide hedge by Church Cottages, which makes it almost impossible to get by.</li><li>c. A hanging broken branch opposite the old shop.</li></ul> <p>RS to follow up with Council the elements which are their responsibility, with the hedge by Church Cottages to be cut by residents.</p> <p>In answer to a question by JP, RS stated that options were still being considered for the Bowls Club.</p>	<b>RS</b>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>There being no further business, the meeting ended at 20.20.</b></p> <p><b>The next meeting is Monday 18 July 2022 at 19:30 in the Ferry, Main Road, Wilford.</b></p>	

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