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## Meeting Minutes

<b>Attendees</b>	Pat Huxley - Chair (PH), Sophie Blaken - Vice Chair (SB), Clare Roughton - Treasurer (CR), Daniel Atherton – Secretary (DA), Stephany Schild (SS), Ann Gerty (AG), Bob Atherton (BA), Rob Nicholas (RN), Bill Roughton (BR), Cristian Nardoni (CN), John Pickles (JP), Adrian Nicholson (AN), Heidi Shewell-Cooper (HS)
<b>Also Present</b>	Kate Smith (KS), Brian Hardy (BH), Joanne Mist (JM), Cllr Andrew Rule (AR), Cllr Roger Steel (RS), Carol Goodrich (CG), Rebecca Ironmonger (RI), Jude Nicholson (JN)
<b>Where</b>	The Ferry Inn, Main Road, Wilford
<b>When</b>	19.30, 11 April 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 &amp; Actions from 21/03/22 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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Telephone Box Restoration</li><li>- Heritage Trail</li><li>- Oral History</li></ul></li><li>7. Community Events<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- May Day</li><li>- Jubilee Festival</li></ul></li><li>8. AOB</li></ol>	
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
1.1	Sarah O'Connor, Pam Duesbury, Sarah Flitz, Rob Dodson, and Terri Slade.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes and Actions from 21/03/22 Meeting</b>	
2.1	Minutes approved unanimously.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Police and Crime Update</b>	
3.1	NB: crime is good in Wilford, there are no matters of concern, we look forward to being at the next meeting next month.  BA raised concern of recent attempt of theft from drive during daylight and successful attempt at night later after having been confronted. Warned residents to be aware of items left on driveway.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Iremongers Pond Update</b>	

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4.1	<p>BR updated on successful transfer of lease of angling to bailiff team. Noted that paperwork is to be completed but one clause to be aware of is a 'walk out' clause, like the IPA's and WCG's, for the angling funds to transfer to the association should the angling side ever dissolve. BA noted the council suggestion of a percentage of takings from angling to go towards the 'friends of' association towards upkeep of general pond area. BA noted that a rough agreement has been drawn up for maintenance of inside and outside of the circular path. BA to continue to assist with finances of the angling side of things. BR noted that a discretionary day permit has been agreed to for community use.</p> <p>KS noted that the beavers/cubs had used the pond in the past. Also noted that new boxes are ready to be installed.</p> <p>BR also updated on progress with the new bridge. Plans have already been drawn up by Pino, the group's gratitude is shared with him and his team. Next step is for plans to be approved by Environment Agency and then a work team brought together to undertake the work. PH to write letters to local sports teams asking for further sponsorship.</p> <p>BR noted that the cherry trees are beginning to blossom. JN shared about sighting of the terrapin, BR congratulated JN on the fantastic photo they shared online.</p>	
<b>5</b>	<b>Litter Picking Update</b>	
5.1	<p>PH updated that the team continue to go out. RN managed to pick up a lot of litter around Iremongers Pond.</p> <p>10:30am on May 14<sup>th</sup>, an area-wide litter pick in conjunction with the whole of NG11 wide, beginning at the Harvester.</p>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Heritage Project</b>	
6.1	<p>DA updated on the installation of the telephone box and the remaining snags to be corrected. Discussed plans for internal fitting – including a map, dedications and information as well as community library shelves. Noted the new quote for heritage trail signage and celebrated that, thanks to the support of local business N1 Visual Solutions and Paul Atherton, the quote is lower and far within budget.</p> <p>Oral history – to be completed by end of Easter. DA noted that the focus would be on fewer people but those most pressing.</p>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Community Events</b>	
7.1	<p>May Day – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May:</p> <p>SB noted upcoming two sub-meetings for organising the event.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- BBQ arranged with church.</li> <li>- Co-op have agreed to contribute drinks and cake.</li> <li>- Ice cream van arranged.</li> <li>- Bouncy castle booked.</li> </ul> <p>New manager at Co-op is very supportive. Diane Rowley noted some interest in May Day Queen/Sovereign. KS noted that she could ask at cubs/scouts.</p> <p>BR offered to give rides in side-car for donations towards the group.</p> <p>Set up at 12:00pm, event starts at 2:00pm.</p> <p>Jubilee Festival – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Church Hall booked by SB for toilets, electricity and emergency use.</li> </ul>	

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	<p>- Further arrangements will go ahead with focus on May Day for now. DA noted that the Tour of Britain would be passing through the local area on the 8<sup>th</sup> September.</p>	
<b>8</b>	<b>Any other Business</b>	
8.1	<p>PH celebrated RN's contribution to the group ahead of moving away. BH wished to thank the group for the pressure added for local issues including the pigeon bridge cleaning/re-spiking; the re-tarmacking of Main Road pavement and the safety and accessibility of the Main Road bus stop. Noted that the verge by the bus stop is set to be repaired within the budget. RS noted that both bus routes 22 and 23 will be running until September at which point they will be reviewed – encouraged residents to use it 'or lose it'. PH and SB welcomed the good outcomes. AG updated on CPR and De-fib event on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April. Numbers have increased to twelve. SB noted that the necessary number of people have signed up to the event for it to go forward. HS noted that a local street party was being organised in July, encourages others to organise likewise. BA warned that litter had been building up along the tram tracks path alongside the embankment. Noted that there were a large quantity of brown paper bags all from Lidl - used by school children. SB encouraged BA to help in writing letters to the Lidl manager. SS noted that the broken bin at the centre of the path is set to be mended in the coming weeks which should help. RS noted that NET is responsible for litter picking along the ballasted track (along the embankment); however, they have agreed to carry out some training so that the local litter picking team can access that section of the track. BA noted that it is identifiable rubbish that should have repercussions. BA to assist DA in writing letter to the new, local shops/outlets regarding this and incorporating requests for community support. RN thanked the group for their support and work to make the community so welcoming. The group wished RN the very best as they move away. KS updated that the 1<sup>st</sup> Wilford Sea Scouts is looking to launch a Squirrels Group (pre-Beavers) on a Thursday. Asked for any volunteers, particularly those with children of that age. To get in touch with KS.</p>	<b>BA/DA</b>
	<b>There being no further business, the meeting ended at 20.40. The next meeting is at 19.30 on Monday 16 May at the Ferry, Main Road, Wilford.</b>	