

Wilford Community Group

Minutes of the Committee Meeting Held on Monday 21st January 2013 at Wilford Social and Bowls Club at 7:30pm

Present: Andrew Rule (AR) –Chairperson
 Peter Stiles (PS) – Treasurer
 Dave Boulton (DB) - Secretary
 Daniel Atherton (DA) – Minutes
 Sheila Atherton (SA)
 Brian Hardy (BH)
 Linda Stiles (LS)
 Pat Huxley (PH)
 Frank Wakelin (FW)

Also present;
 Councillor Roger Steel (RS)
 PCSO Alan Wadley (AW)

ITEM		ACTION
1	<p>Apologies: Parbinder Singh, Alan Foster, Irene Hazzeldine, Matt Pooley</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of 17th December 2012 Meeting: After minor amendments made by AR, the Minutes were unanimously approved.</p>	
3	<p>Asset Transfer Sub-group TOR:</p> <p>AR circulated the Terms of Reference revised to include amendments and corrections raised at the previous meeting.</p> <p>PS raised that the last two paragraphs appeared to contradict each other, but on closer examination, it was concluded they were separate points. Further spelling corrections were accepted.</p> <p>SA raised whether names of sub-committee members should be recorded on the TOR.</p> <p>It was noted that the once the formation of an appropriate vehicle for securing the library site was incorporated it would become autonomous from the WCG, in a similar manner to the Ironmongers Pond Association. Until such time the Sub Committee would continue to be subordinate to the WCG.</p> <p>It was stated by SA that this should be made clear in the TOR.</p>	

	<p>DB informed the Group that at Lillian Greenwood's surgery, a child in the village, Charlotte Parker, had suggested that the former library site could be utilised as a youth club in the village. DB stated that the WCG had been contacted subsequently, AR informed the Group that a meeting between the Sub Committee and the Parkers was in the process of being arranged.</p> <p>BH observed that the sooner the sub-committee becomes autonomous from the WCG, the better it would be overall.</p>	
4	<p>Tram Construction Concerns:</p> <p>AR noted that a new temporary path had been constructed along the boundary with the Ironmongers Pond, in order that construction work could begin on the side of the road adjacent to the Rugby Club.</p> <p>RS asked whether feedback has been received from Steve Tough regarding questions and concerns from the previous meeting. DB stated that they had been circulated within the group.</p> <p>RS further stated that the notices placed along Main Road and other local roads, are a necessary precaution for future action. No dates or times have been made as of yet, and RS has asked to be kept aware of any further information from NCC.</p>	
5	<p>B-Bank Footpath Barrier:</p> <p>It was noted that the barriers had now been widened.</p>	
6	<p>Safety Camera:</p> <p>DB stated he would shortly arrange a meeting between Parbinder Singh and those Committee members who had volunteered to assist with maintaining the Camera for an induction on how to use the equipment.</p>	DB to circulate details of meeting when finalised.
7	<p>Coronation Avenue Road Surfaces:</p> <p>SA stated that road surfaces had been terrible, but that they appeared to have now been repaired; but that the group should attempt to discover who is best to be contacted regarding further problems regarding highway maintenance.</p> <p>RS stated that with the NCC's new year budget, it would be difficult to find money available to solve further problems with the road.</p>	AR to make enquiries with NCC.
8	<p>Crime Update:</p> <p>PH stated that following a crime at the time of the previous meeting, was there any update of the crime figures and whether there was any spate of local occurrences.</p> <p>AW delivered an update from Matt Pooley relating to Wilford over the previous three months: 21 recorded crimes inc, 3 motor vehicle thefts, 4 criminal damage, 1 burglary, 1 arrested (believed to be responsible for burglary, 90% property recovered, with man now in prison), 5 domestic incidents, 1</p>	

burglary other, 1 drug offence, 1 shop theft, 1 other theft, 1 robbery, 2 assaults, 1 theft of motor vehicle.

All crime in Wilford and Silverdale is down by 20.7% this fiscal year, compared to last fiscal year. With a 27.8% detection rate.

Burglary down by 40.9%

Robbery down by 14.3%

Vehicle Crime up by 27.8%

Shed break ins down by 56.7%

Criminal Damage up by 9%

Drug Offences down by 42.9%

Fraud down by 37.5%

Theft down by 16.7%

Violence Offences up by 18.2%

Anyone can contact Matt Pooley by 07702141876 to clarify these details.

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Projects for 2013:

PS informed the Group that the Group had circa £400 of funding left from the current year's grant. PS believed this needed to be allocated before the end of the current grant year (June), or the surplus would need to be returned to the Single Gateway Unit (SGU) at NCC.

RS will seek confirmation on this point and indicated that he believed any surplus would not need returning to the SGU as the funding had come directly from the grant allowance of local Ward councilors.

BH noted that under current economic conditions, it may be the last grant the Group receives for the foreseeable future.

AR is seeking to discuss possible ideas with Phil Marsh and should hopefully have possible ideas of summer events at the next meeting.

BH suggested that a public meeting could be held to exhibit projects the Group was involved in, such as asset transfer, tram liaison etc.

RS raised whether the funds could be passed for community repairs to the Social Club, as it is the site of the meetings. AR stated that given the clubs current position it would be unable to undertake any significant remedial work.

RS also raised the idea of food parcels for the local vulnerable elderly. However it was identified that unfortunately the group as a whole was not there to support individuals, and although the idea was positive, it was not approachable by the WCG.

SA raised whether the events to promote the well-being of older individuals could be a possible general idea. A previous event in this vein held three years ago was well received. AR agreed to this, and would look at the possibility when similar events are held at the Clifton Cornerstone.

10	<p>Mobile Library</p> <p>It was noted that in April this service would terminate.</p> <p>PS raised whether the Group should contact the 7 other areas affected by the closure of the library bus. Comparisons were drawn between the running cost of the library and the publication and distribution costs of the Nottingham Arrow.</p> <p>The Group noted with disappointment the decision to terminate the service. AR to write to David Trimble expressing disappointment.</p> <p>SA asked that the group make this news public through the Nottingham Post, as they had first published news regarding the closure of the Wilford Library.</p> <p>RS suggested the Group lobby the Council for a Link service to West Bridgford Library. The Group noted the suggestion. SA suggested that this could be linked to cover other areas on days when the mobile library would normally visit.</p>	AR to write to Cllr Trimble re cancellation of service
11	<p>AOB:</p> <p>A £20 donation from a local magician has been received in return for coverage on the website. This will cover the cost of £16.78 to renew the website. It was resolved that the website should be renewed.</p> <p>A resident enquired whether in light of the recent planned closure of the Co-op Home Furnishing store, the Wilford Co-op was likely to close. It was agreed that as far the Group was aware, the Wilford Co-op was not be targeted.</p> <p>BH asked that the Group propose ideas to be presented by members of the group at the upcoming public meeting with Cllr Jon Collins. It was confirmed AR would raise the subject of the cessation of the mobile library at the meeting. PS stated that he was unable to attend the meeting but had submitted an emailed question regarding the mobile library.</p>	
<p><u>The meeting was closed at 8:35pm by Andrew Rule.</u></p>		