

# Wilford Community Group

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## Meeting Minutes

<b>Attendees</b>	Sophie Blaken – Co-Chair (SB), Jude Nicholas (JN), Rob Nicholas (RN), Joanne Mist (JM), Brian Hardy (BH), Pam Duesbury (PD), Ann Gerty (AG), Bill Roughton (BR), Clare Roughton (CR), John Pickles (JP), Bob Atherton (BA), Stephany Schild (SS), Heidi Shewell-Cooper (HSC)
<b>Also Present</b>	Claire Devonport (CD), Neil Devonport (ND), Roger Steel (RS), Cllr Andrew Rule (AR)
<b>Where</b>	The Ferry Inn, Main Road, Wilford
<b>When</b>	19.30, 15 January 2024
<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 18/12/23 Meeting</li><li>3. Iremongers Pond Update</li><li>4. Litter-Picking Update</li><li>5. Community Events</li><li>6. Community Calendar 2024 Sales</li><li>7. AOB<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Bulb Planting</li></ul></li></ol>	
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
1.1	Daniel Atherton (DA)	
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes and Actions from 18/12/23 Meeting</b>	
2.1	All to be covered in this meeting	
<b>3</b>	<b>Iremongers Pond Update</b>	
3.1	BR – Was flooded and BA has cleared the fallen tree. Paths covered in mud and cannot use stepping stones, about an inch over. Wooden picnic bench disappeared in the flood. Possibly stolen/vandalised or washed away.  BA – Can leave mud until dries out. Cleared a little away.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Litter-Picking Update</b>	
4.1	PD – 4 volunteers on the litter pick.  BA – Has done some around the tram and Emmanuel School.  BA – Some hazardous waste washed up by the flood.	

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<b>5</b>	<b>Community Events</b>	
5.1	SB – Elf hunt went well, about 10 entries. Next year to be started earlier possibly so can drop off the elf bags before Christmas.  SB – Need to get safari sale in the calendar. Group agreed on 14 <sup>th</sup> September. May Day will be 6 <sup>th</sup> May.	<b>SB</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Community Calendar 2024 Sales</b>	
6.1	JN – Pat has collected another £50, we are about £40 down. There are some calendars left, approx. 40-50.  PH – Around 12 taken to GT News today and took around 20 to Co-Op.  RN – Wanted to know if we are doing this again. SB said we will look at it nearer the time.  SB – Re-group about calendars remaining next month.	
<b>7</b>	<b>AOB</b>	
7.1	JN – Have spare bulbs and given to the pond which BA and BR have taken. To be planted as soon as possible.	<b>BA/BR</b>
7.2	JN - £371 Calendar sales, £55.80 for Christmas table/ comps, also further funds on the bulbs.	
7.3	JM – What is the position with the traffic petition. JN – 219 signatures.  JM – Could we fundraise for a community pump for flooding or burst pipes. Look at what they have done in Lowdham. JM will research such as storage, cost and how the pump works.	<b>JM</b>
7.4	BH – Wanted the group to be more about the area rather than the social side. Wants to join the committee if we can look at more serious causes. Path from Compton Acres past tram, you can hear rushing water. Water coming up from the manholes and the playing fields are being flooded.  BH – Traffic lights are getting worse, complaints about speed trap, 30 signs are not very good.  SB – Very welcome to join committee. It is about the people and making Wilford better. This includes community events and addressing things that affect the community. We would want you to be involved in what you are passionate about.  SB – Proposed Brian (BH) and Jo (JM) join the committee and Pat seconded. Voted in by committee.  SB – Invited BH and HM to put items on the agenda for next month.	<b>BH</b>
7.5	PD – Wanted to know how the Christmas meal went. All confirmed it went well.	
7.6	JP – Thanks to AR for helping the committee over the flooding.  JP – Noted that lorries and buses made it worse, council should have shut it earlier.	
7.7	AR – Full council meeting, petition for Severn Trent and Tramlink to prevent flooding again. Will report back when knows more.	<b>AR</b>

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7.8	<p>BA – 3 underground streams and 2 springs that used to drain across the school fields. Tram disrupted these lines. Ground water is rising because of this. Environment Agency are aware. This is now the council responsibility.</p> <p>BA – Late summer BA was threatened with a knife when cycling near Clifton Bridge. The person responsible got 18 months jail today.</p>	
7.9	<p>CD – Flooding on Roland. Been in the house in 34 years and not had this before and wonders if Aldi build has something to do with it. Can we get some support about this. The land at the back (between Leander and Roland) seems to have not been examined. Roland Avenue have set up a group. Can we get an investigation into this?</p> <p>SB – Ask AR to pick this up with the council. Ask if we can get a survey done with regards flooding, Portfolio holders are taking the lead on this, who are Andrea Candola and Coral Jenkins.</p> <p>BA – Needs to be pumped out monthly, but has not been.</p> <p>TS – Check your home insurance to see flooding is covered in your home insurance.</p> <p>RS – Used to live at Maplestead, that has always flooded near the allotments. Get a representative who knows about drainage.</p> <p>BA – There are funds in flood schemes.</p>	AR
7.10	<p>RS – Responsible for Christmas tree lights on the green. Graham Deakin and Colin Goddard helped last year. Needs to now pass it on, happy to explain how it is done. Do community group want responsibility for maintaining, storing and putting up the lights?</p> <p>SB – Add to agenda for February.</p>	DA
7.11	<p>AG – Wilford oral history. There was a list of people are happy to help with this.</p> <p>SB – Dan to give an update.</p>	DA
	<p><b>There being no further business, the meeting ended at 20:34.</b></p> <p><b>The next meeting is on Monday 19 February 2023 at 19:30 in the Ferry, Main Road, Wilford.</b></p>	