

# Wardle Society

**\* NEXT MEETING \***

**THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> November 2002**

**WARDLE COMMUNITY**

**CENTRE 7.00pm**

**ALL WELCOME \***

Minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 02

**Present:** - Jane Rickards, Sylvia Lear, Bernice Clifton, Julie Roberts, Sean Cushen, Rita Cushen, Beryl Wright, Pauline Hopkinson, Carolyn Gibson, Janet Darnborough, Ann Southerton

**Apologies:** - Ashley Dearnley,

**Conservation Area:** - St. James Church Development is currently still awaiting final settlement of legal difficulties. This should be sorted out anytime.

Wardle Fold Footpaths and Stream Rita has been away and will follow this up shortly.

**Wardle and District Local History Group:** - Wardle News has donated display cases and shelving. Thanks go to them. We are still looking for display items, contact Bernice on 371127. It has been decided that the History Group will have its own yearly subscriptions and pay a group affiliation fee to Wardle Society.

**Planning:** - The development at Wardle High School is to the back of the building and is to replace 2 temporary buildings.

Nothing else to report.

**Treasurers Report:** - See attached.

**Walkabout:** - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 6.00pm outside Library.

**Poplar Trees:** - The Trees opposite 71 Wardle Road and up are the council's responsibility and will be surveyed by the tree officer and may be pruned if this is feasible

**Flagpole:** - It was felt that a flagpole in Wardle was not necessary, Ashley suggested that a new bench at the bowling green should be considered. One was donated at the Queen's Silver Jubilee, so one for the Golden Jubilee would be more appropriate.

**Any Other Business:** -

Litter on Birch Road Pauline has walked up the road and reported 11 bus stops and only one with a litter bin opposite the end of Waterhouse close, one freestanding bin at the bottom of the road, and one at the top. This is not enough and is to be reported by Jane at the Pennines meeting.

Queens Avenue It was suggested that the hedges around the 2 triangles were cut down in size to show the inner plants.

Community Centre It was suggested that The Management Committee or Wardle Society should apply for funding from Pennines Township, for a new sign and the garden replanting. But as it is council property should it get funding from Pennines? The guttering and windows are in a poor

state of repair and another window has been broken. So if it is possible to apply for funding, joint users of the building should apply.

Civic Trust After around four years of not being members they are still sending us things, we still feel that we could not afford to pay subscriptions to them.

Margaret Pearson Wardle Society sent Margaret some flowers and a card on her retirement from Wardle Library on the 21<sup>st</sup> of September. Margaret sent us a card of thanks.

Parking - Speeding - Horse riding Is becoming more of a problem. Jane is going to report these issues at Pennine meeting next week

Wardle Society Website. Manchester Online has recently reported in the observer that groups can now have their own website for free. Julie told us that the history group are going to take up this opportunity, and as she is the owner of her own website, she was prepared to do a website with Manchester online for Wardle society. The address of Manchester online is [www.mymanchesteronline.co.uk](http://www.mymanchesteronline.co.uk) Julie will still have her own website for Wardle2000.

Rochdale Observer It was reported in the Observer that United Utilities say the PH level in Watergrove Reservoir has gone up too high. They will be monitoring this and say it is not a dangerous situation but needs checking. Alderbank have had waterworks going on up there – cleaning drains etc.

Rubbish on East Street The land has been monitored and the pile of rubbish containing several fridges has been growing, it seems the land is owned by Cook Street Pallets.

Littleborough Town Design Statement is to be held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 7.00pm at Littleborough Cricket Club.

Pennines Environment Group to be held Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October Community Centre 7.00pm

Pennines Community Development Trust Working for regeneration of the areas. Sue Thornton has got support from RMBC for regeneration of areas within the township. If we don't take part in this the society would not be harmed but it would be a way of getting funds. Money will be available from various sources. We need to research these ideas.

**Please note that from now on the meetings will take place on the first Thursday of the month (except for January meetings.)**

#### **SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE**

Sylvia Lear 11 Heath Road  
Jane Rickard 200 Wardle Road

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NEW MEMBERS WELCOME**

*Have you visited Wardle's website yet?*  
**<http://wardle2000.homestead.com>**

TRESURER'S REPORT 3.10.02

Deposit account: (Trees)	125.35		Balance at 28.8.02	794.80
(Society)	185.36	310.71	Income: Subs	43.00
Current account	480.45		Interest	0.78 43.78
Cash on Hand		<u>46.47</u>	Expenditure: P & S	<u>0.95</u>
		<u>837.63</u>		<u>837.63</u>