

# Wardle Society

**\* NEXT MEETING \***

**THURSDAY 5<sup>th</sup> September 2002**

**WARDLE COMMUNITY**

**CENTRE 7.00pm**

**ALL WELCOME \***

Minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> August 02

**Present:** - Jane Rickards, Sylvia Lear, Julie Roberts, Barbara Fitzsimons, Carolyn Gibson, Sean Cushen, Beryl Wright, Pauline

**Apologies:** - Ashley Dearnley, Rita Cushen, Bernice Clifton, Peter

**Conservation Area:** - Work on St. James Church seems to have stopped. Rita rang Rochdale Observer who said that they are getting new architects to come.

Rita has written to the Mersey & Weaver River Authority about the gate that has disappeared in the Fold, they said it was nothing to do with them. Don Askew at RMBC said there was nothing they could do, as it is not council land. The Water board was concerned about the use of vehicles along the streambed. Rita will keep an eye on this situation.

**Wardle History Group:** - It was decided at the Community Centre's meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> August that the History Group could use the upstairs as a local history museum.

**Planning:** - Nothing to report.

**Treasurers Report:** - £2.64 was spent last month on stationery and stamps.

**Hanging Baskets:** - The hanging baskets have been placed outside the library and at the corner of Ramsden Road and Crossfield Road. There have been comments about how attractive these look; there have been some adverse comments. The Square will be looked at as part of the conservation area.

Beryl Wright said that Roger Ellis had been up to see Wardle's grot spots and was keen to see the square improved.

The rubbish in East Street has not yet been dealt with. Outside the chemist shop needs sweeping.

**Walkabout:** - Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 6.00pm meet at the library.

**Calf Hey:** - We have registered no objection to the development that will be taking place at this cottage.

**Police Matters:** - Several members have noticed that on the bend where St. James' church is on Ramsden Road, where there are double yellow lines, some residents have started to park their cars here. Police need to come and look at this.

There is a Horsebox van keeps parking on Wardle Road, it is causing an obstruction restricting the view of drivers and blocking a sign for the bend.

2 youths have been seen riding on the road and pavement on a motorcycle, without helmets and presumably without insurance. They are seen around teatime /early evening. These are trail bikes and before long someone is going to get hurt or killed. Sylvia has phoned the police but only got an answering machine. Beryl is going to talk to the police about these.

**Tree survey/Amenity land :-** Bernice was possibly looking into this; RMBC will be planting replacement trees where necessary. There is uncertainty about what the land been sold as amenity land at the bottom of Wardle Road is going to be used for, query housing or leisure use?

**Footpaths:** - Bernice has raised concern over footpaths. Right of way funding letter has come back that no proper survey of footpaths done because of foot and mouth outbreak in 2001. Total of 4 paths met the performance indicators BV178. Budget for the Rights of way has been increased for the coming year.

**Any Other Business:-** It is understood that Wardle Newsagent has bought the village store (Bob's) and are going to turn it into newsagents/groceries by mid September.

*Tattersalls* has been sold as a going concern it is believed.

**Ward Profile** Boundaries are going to change, Wardle ward will change too but we are not sure by how much. The village centre will not be affected by this change.

**Stable Block** Rebecca Waddington has reported that the owners of East Top Barn have been spoken to and told that they must either remove the stables or apply for planning permission.

**Meetings** We have decided that we are going to return to monthly meetings, these will take place on the first Thursday of each month.

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

Sylvia Lear 11 Heath Road  
Jane Rickard 200 Wardle Road

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NEW MEMBERS WELCOME**

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TREASURERS REPORT 8.8.02

Deposit account: (Trees)	125.35		Balance at 13.6.02	824.78
(Society)	184.58	309.93		
Current account		505.45		
Cash on hand		<u>6.76</u>	Expenditure: P & S	<u>2.64</u>
		<u>822.14</u>		<u>822.14</u>