

Wardle Society

** NEXT MEETING *
THURSDAY 6th October 2005
WARDLE SCOUT HQ 7.00pm
ALL WELCOME **

Minutes of the meeting held on 1st September 2005

Present: -, Sylvia Lear, Barbara Fitzsimons, Julie Roberts, Bernice Clifton, Eddie Rogers, Ted & Hazel Bolton, Janet Darnborough, George Caygill, Ann Southerton, Michael Byrne, Mark Brazil.

Apologies: - Jane Rickards, Peter Denison, Beryl Wright, Ashley Dearnley, Pauline Hopkinson, Ray Goodhall

Police Matters: - No police representation present.

Treasurers Report: - Sylvia gave a brief report on the state of our finances, a copy of which will be with the minutes.

Planning: -

Application for a conservatory – rear of 5, Heath Road.

Application for change of use from office to dwelling –single story building belonging to The Tryst, Wardle Road. No objection.

Filter House – No public footpath, which affects this application.

Correspondence: - Email from Alan Whale To Ashley Dearnley, re the Co-Op and the Church. There is no progress on the Co-Op. There are problems with the insurers and the owner cannot be contacted. We await further information.

The Church – The Council have kept their word, and are holding on to the developed cottages on the old school site until work recommences on the Church. If no progress is made, two cottages may be sold by the Council to pay for the mothballing of the Church until progress can be made.

Footpath: - No report from Robert Clegg. Barbara reported that having walked some of the footpaths in the area, several were seriously obstructed, she is to contact Julie Simpson regarding this. Bernice suggested the Society joined the Ramblers Association if we wished to find out more about the footpaths and their accessibility. She will find out more about the cost and the feasibility of joining this group. Barbara has produced a map of footpaths in our area and has permission to have 1,000 copies run off for insertion in the What's On In Wardle booklet.

Double Yellow Lines: - No report on this

Street Furniture: - No report on this

Tennis Courts: - No report on this

Overgrown Pavement from Halfway House upwards: - No report on this

Wardle In Bloom/North West In Bloom: - Mark Brazil gave us a rundown on how this works. Mark would send us literature on how to go about entering the competition. This would require reading and absorbing, finding out the cost and how to get community involvement. We need someone to front this. The general opinion was that we would look at this with a view to getting people interested.

What's On in Wardle: - Booklets are now ready for distribution – Volunteers required to take these out (1,000 copies). Several errors were found in the booklet and it was decided that a note on the map of the footpaths, which is to be inserted in the booklets, would contain an apology for these errors. It was decided that we meet at the Scout HQ, on the 12th of September at 7.00pm to insert the maps and take our quota of booklets for distribution.

Village Notice Board: - Ted Bolton has obtained a quote for an 8' x 4' aluminium type sign, supplied and fitted, made as vandal proof as possible - £375 plus VAT. Quote to be submitted to Township. Janet is to take this up with Township at their meeting on 4th October.

Community Centre: - Work not started yet.

Blockages of Pavements by Cars and Wheelie Bins: - No progress in this area, Barbara to write again re. this problem.

Any Other Business: -

Gullies/ Drains: - McAlpine have the contract for this work. George is to write to a Mr.Prescott about this. Bernice informs us that Pennine Township Funding will take questions re street cleaning in the Open Forum on 13th September. It might be an idea to raise other concerns at this meeting. Eddie and George are to attend.

Tannery: - George raised concerns about chemical contamination in the event of Casey's developing this site. Bernice and George to write to the Contamination Officer, Rochdale Council to ask what procedures will be gone through before permission for development is granted.

Vision For Wardle: - Another meeting to be arranged for Oct/Nov. Eddie to check with Robert Clegg.

Phone Mast: - T.Mobile wish to erect a Flag Pole Mast on Wardle Con. Club. Society's feeling is mixed on this issue, so no formal objection to be made.

Footnote

Double Yellow Lines – Ashley looked into this and informs us that prosecutions can be made if people park on these lines. He also volunteered to find out more if definite requests are made of him.

Street Furniture – This is being attended to. Probably fresh planters in Wardle Square when present plants have become past their best

**Meetings take place on the first Thursday of the month, (except for January meetings).
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NEW MEMBERS WELCOME