

Wardle Society

** NEXT MEETING **

THURSDAY 5th April 2007

WARDLE COMMUNITY

CENTRE 7.00pm

ALL WELCOME

Minutes of the meeting held on 1st March 2007

Present: - Barbara Fitzsimons (Chair), Sylvia Lear (Treasurer), Bernice Clifton, (Minutes Secretary), Jane Rickards, Ray Goodall, Ted Bolton, Janet Darnbrough, Beryl Wright, Peter Denison, George Caygill, Robert Clegg, Damon Wilkinson (Rochdale Observer), P.C Christine Hardman, David Booth

Apologies: - Ashley Dearnley, Ann Southerton, Eddie Rogers, Pauline Hopkinson, Hazel Bolton.

Minutes of the meeting held 1st February 2007, please add George Caygill's name to apologies for absence.

The Chair welcomed our new member David Booth.

Police Report: - PC Hardman described the extensive car damage spree by 2 young people around Rochdale. They have been apprehended. The Youth Forum is active. Problem activities by young people around the Community Centre on Wednesdays in particular, were noted.

Coronation Power - Crook Hill Wind Turbines: - Some members attended a meeting on 19th February; another will be held 12th March. Another local leaflet should be distributed within the next fortnight. Discussion followed.

Treasurers Report: - See attached

Correspondence: - Janet gave the gist of a statement by the British Horse Society on wind turbines: The recommended distance of turbines from bridleways needs to be updated as turbine heights have increased. Government action is needed to revise guidelines for safety margins.

Right of access to old filter house – letter received from United Utilities. Access will be along the base of the embankment, not along Lower House Lane. New gates there have not been installed by United Utilities.

Planning: - Plans to erect a new building at 115 Wardle Road have been refused.

Plans have been resubmitted for the Halfway House. Jane will write saying no objection. Discussion followed about the parking situation for James Street residents.

Middle Hill Quarries application – This was a renewal of existing situation and arrangements.

Spring Clean: - Janet showed the posters that will be used; Robert Clegg will mention this to the Youth Forum; Scouts, Guides and schools are being contacted. Rota to be arranged at the next meeting

Any Other Business: - Peter highlighted the problems of double yellow lines parking on Ramsden Road at Church Brow, he has received a letter from J Mayor, Parking and Business Development Manager about this.

Barbara suggested we look at grot spots in the area again. Agreed 10am Saturday 28th in the square and also bring information to our next meeting.

Moor End development Trust; a new Wardle representative is needed. To be confirmed next week.

North West in Bloom – cost of entering is nil if we define the area to be above Law Flat and above part of Birch Road. i.e. “A large neighbourhood”. Agreed. Judging takes place in July. Judges will need looking after. More planters have been promised.

Ideas

- Railing planters.
- Wardle Society sponsorship.
- Apply to Pennines Township for funds.
- Strategy and planning at next meeting.
- Task force to put up hanging baskets.

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

Next meeting 5th April 2007 at 7pm, all welcome.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME