

Wardle Society

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 3rd February 2011

Present: Sylvia Lear (Treasurer & Vice Chairman), Steve Barlow (Minutes Sec. & Web Site), George Caygill (Chair), Cllr. Janet Darnbrough, Eddie Rogers (Sec), Jane Rickards, Carolyn Gibson, Barbara Fitzsimons and Peter Twaite.

Apologies: Cllr. Ashley Dearnley and Ted Bolton

Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as correct.

Police Report: There was no one representing the Police at the meeting, and no apologies for non attendance given or a report emailed.

A discussion took place regarding the new web site: www.police.uk This website provides helpful information about crime and policing in any area of the UK. Entering your postcode, town, village or street into a search box gets you instant access to street-level crime maps and data, as well as details of your local policing team and beat meetings.

Treasurers Report: Sylvia presented the report shown below.

TREASURER'S REPORT 3.2.11

Deposit account:	1366.78	Balance at 2.12.10		1413.65
		Income: Interest (2 months)	0.18	
Current account	38.18	Subs	6.00	<u>6.18</u>
				1419.83
Cash on hand	<u>14.87</u>	Expenditure:		0.00
Total	<u>1419.83</u>			<u>1419.83</u>

Planning: Jane made the meeting aware that P. Casey Ltd. had applied for planning permission to demolish one of the 'Old Tannery' buildings that was in a dangerous state of repair.

Wardle Society Web Site: 1093 'hits' to the website since it started.

St James' Churchyard: Cllr. Ashley Dearnley had passed on through Steve the fact that he was trying to get the Community Payback Team to continue the good work they had done last year in the graveyard, and he was hopeful that this would commence in March.

Public Footpaths: Barbara reported to the meeting that the access and availability of Footpath 15 was OK

Carolyn told the meeting that a Fence had fallen onto the public footpath that runs behind Shaftesbury Drive - Cllr. Janet Darnbrough said she would report this to the relevant RMBC department.

United Utilities (UU) Substation: The issue regarding the noticeboard at the UU Substation at the junction of Wardle Road and Birch Road has now been resolved – please see below a copy of an email sent to Wardle Society.

Please could you pass on the following message to all members of Wardle Society.

I am pleased to confirm the following progress with regard to the Wardle noticeboard located at the sub-station.

- *Katreena Carr from UU has been in touch with myself and John Carney about the noticeboard at the sub-station.*
- *The potential lease charge UU were trying to levy for the noticeboard location has now been withdrawn.*
- *The lease document for the use and maintenance of the noticeboard and its floorspace, sent by UU to the Council, has now been signed off and returned to UU.*
- *The responsibility for the future maintenance of the Wardle noticeboard and its floorspace now lies with the Council; the responsibility for the future maintenance of the sub-station still lies with UU.*
- *None of the above will affect Wardle Society.*

I hope this helps clarify and resolve the issue. Please let me know if you need further details.

Kind Regards

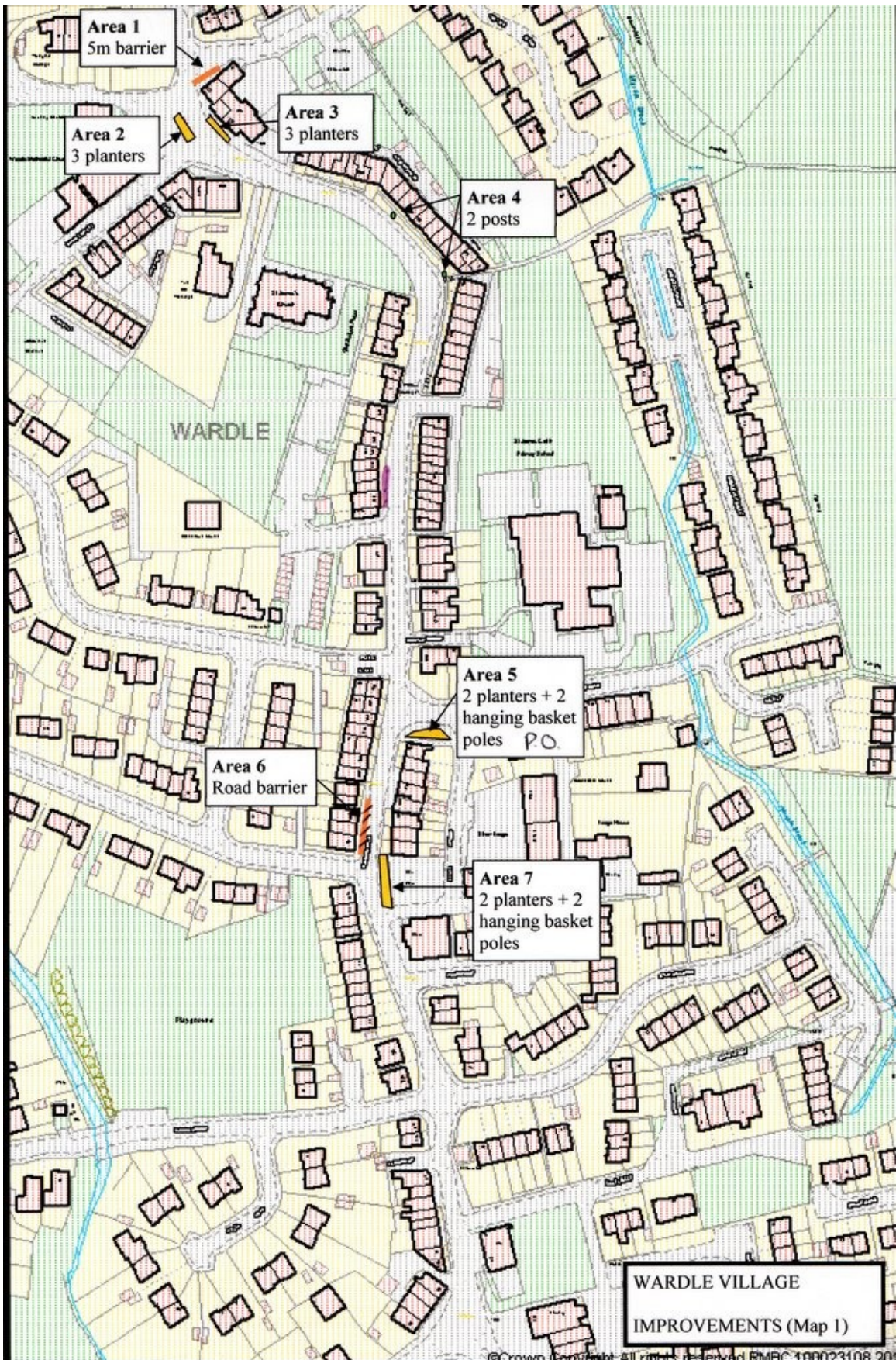
Iain Bentley

Assistant Township Manager (Pennines)

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Wardle Recreation Ground: Cllr. Janet Darnbrough presented to the Meeting x3 maps showing x16 Areas of Improvement Work within Wardle that would be taking place in the near future. The 'closure' of the fencing gap on Wardle Recreation Ground was one of those improvement areas.

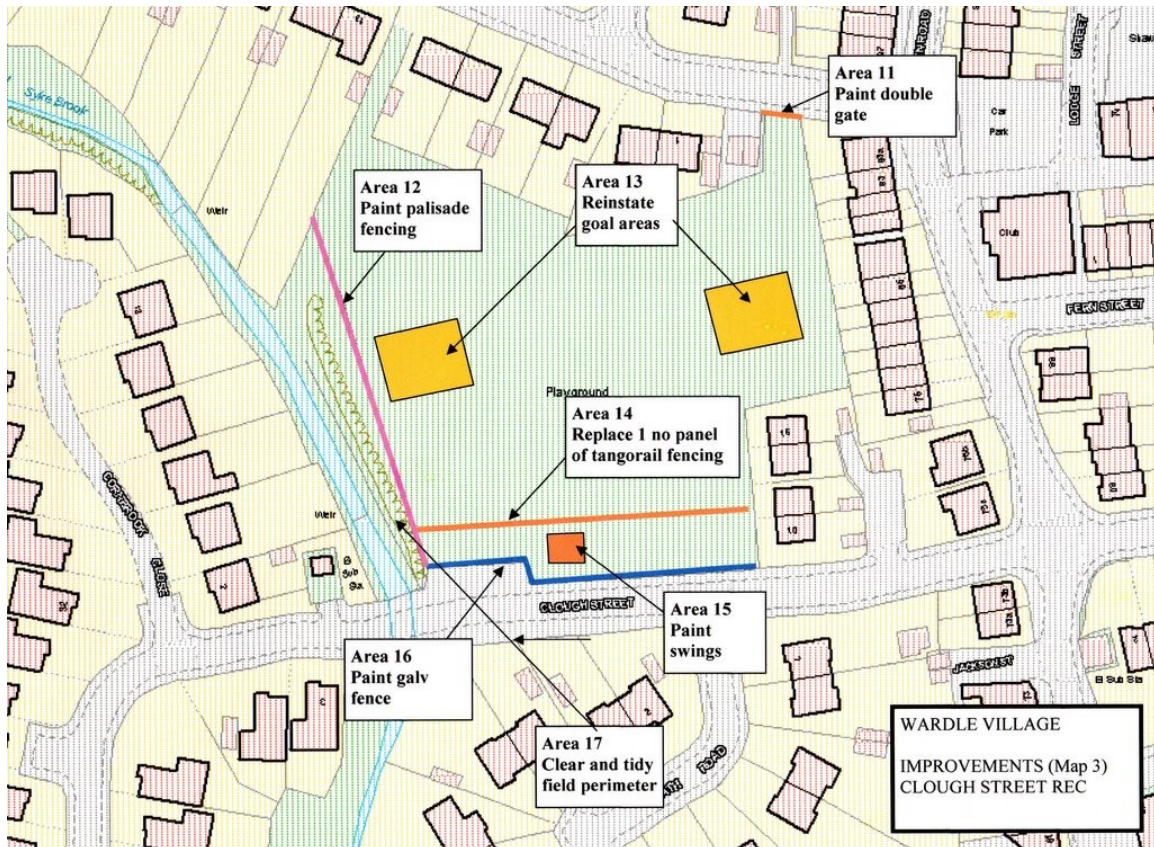
Please see below a copy of the maps.



WARDLE VILLAGE
IMPROVEMENTS (Map 1)



WARDLE VILLAGE
IMPROVEMENTS (Map 2)



Road Grates/Gullies: George reported that the hidden drain in Wardle Square had still not been 'exposed' - Cllr. Janet Darnbrough offered to help investigate whether the hidden drain really did exist or not or was it just an 'urban myth.....!'

Grit Bins: Several members at the meeting reported that they were very pleased to see that during the latest session of bad weather the various Grit Bins within Wardle had been kept 'topped up'.

Moorend Development Trust - www.moorendtrust.org.uk

George gave a verbal report regarding a meeting he had had with Tony Shaw, a teacher at Wardle High School, with regards to the anticipated School's Rebuild programme which is hoped will start in around 12 months time.

During the redevelopment of the School, the staff wish its pupils to be involved in several 'Green Projects' which will focus on the nearby wildlife at the back of the School, and which will hopefully integrate with the Wardle Countryside Gateway project.

The new School also envisages to be engaged in Community Participation, which includes being open in the evenings until 8pm for community use.

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Double Parking in Wardle Square: It had been noticed by several members that recently motor vehicles have been double parked in the centre of Wardle Square. This was causing problems to the Bus Service and to other road users. Cllr. Janet Darnbrough offered to speak with the Highways Dept with regards to this problem.

Law Flats Footbridge: Cllr. Janet Darnbrough informed the meeting that the Law Flats Footbridge that was swept away early in December 2009 would be replaced in the next couple of weeks.

Public Footpaths – Community Payback Team: Barbara thought it would be a good idea if the Community Payback Team could get involved in ensuring that the public footpaths in the Wardle area were all accessible, tidy and not overgrown etc. Cllr. Janet Darnbrough agreed to contact the Team to ask if this was possible.

East Street: Carolyn mentioned that the new street sign 'East Street – no through road' has still not been displayed, nor that the Double Yellow Lines at the beginning of East Street had been re-painted after the street had been resurfaced around 6 months ago.

Spring Clean 2011: Eddie reminded the meeting that we should start planning and organising this year's Spring Clean event. The following was decided:

- It would take place on Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th April 2011
- That the various youth organisations in Wardle (Scouts, Guides etc) would be invited to participate during the week commencing Monday 11th April and would be issued with Pickers and Bags etc – Eddie to write to the various Leaders etc
- That x1 Skip would be sited in Wardle Square - Cllr. Janet Darnbrough to organise.
- The Pickers and Bags etc would be collected from Green Lane, Heywood and distributed to the various organisations during the week - Ted to organise, Carolyn to collect and distribute during the week.
- Posters to be displayed in the local shops, Library, Notice Board etc – Hazel Bolton
- 'Thank You Certificates' for those who participate in the Event - Eddie
- A rota for manning the Skip would be produced at our April Meeting.

The Meeting closed at 8pm.

Next Meeting:

Thursday 3rd March 2011 - 7pm at the Globe Inn

****NEW MEMBERS ARE ESPECIALLY WELCOME****

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