

Wardle Society

*** NEXT MEETING ***
THURSDAY 6th April 2006
WARDLE COMMUNITY
CENTRE 7.00pm
ALL WELCOME

Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd March 2006

Present: - Eddie Rogers(Chair), Bernice Clifton, Ted & Hazel Bolton, Sylvia Lear, Michael Fitton, Ray Goodall, , George Caygill, Julie Roberts, Janet Darnborough, , Pauline Hopkinson, Police Officers Helen Boodeea & Sgt. Chris Lees, Ann Southerton, Charlotte Brazil, Michael Byrne (Roch Ob.)

Apologies: - Barbara Fitzsimons, Jane Rickards, Peter Denison, Ashley Dearnley, David Kerr (Wind Surfing Club)

Treasurers Report: - A copy of the treasurer's report is attached.

Police Matters:- Sgt. Lees reported on the 'Pod' which was in the square last month, an experiment which was quite successful, and is to be repeated. Last months public meeting regarding Youth Nuisance was also mentioned and it is hoped that another such meeting will be arranged in the near future. Various other matters were discussed including ABC's (Acceptable Behaviour Contracts) and a Dispersal Order, both of which are being implemented in Wardle at present: off road bikers and underage drinking was also mentioned. Little else to report apart from a couple of burglaries etc.

Wardle in Bloom: - Charlotte Brazil talked about and produced literature on setting up this project. It was suggested that a sub committee be formed led by Charlotte, and aided by Michael and George and possibly another member of the public who has shown an interest in this. It was proposed that the old North Ward be the area to pilot this project.

Planning: - Planning applications include 1st floor & single storey extension for 2 Bank Barn Cottages, conservatory to rear of 13 Crossfield Close. No objection to these. Erection of Temporary Mast on Crook Hill has been passed.

With regard to the proposed improvement in Wardle Village Square (Conservation Area), apparently, projects cannot go ahead without permission of the owners of the buildings/sites designated for improvement. Money appears to have been offered to the lease holder of the Globe Inn, but no response has been forthcoming. The owners of the Co-op building in the Square seem similarly disinterested. Bernice will try to find out who actually owns the Globe, in order that we may contact them direct.

St. James' Church development is being monitored by the council.

Tannery: - No further information.

Footpaths: - Sylvia has contacted Martin Lees re. treating the designated footpaths

Community Centre: - There is to be 'Open House' between 2pm and 4pm on Sunday 2nd April to mark the 70th Anniversary of the opening of the building.

Vision for Wardle: - There was some discussion of Leisure/sports/arts/culture aspect of Vision for Wardle. Michael enlarged on his ideas for the development of the land behind the Community Centre, extending to Wardle High School and Ashbrook Hey. Moorend Trust may be able to advise on grants etc. it is suggested that we discuss this at the next meeting so that Michael can put forward ideas on this.

Pennine Township Meeting: - No report, still awaiting progress report on Tennis court refurbishing.

Filing Cabinet: - George has this in hand.

Any Other Business: -

Julie has taken photographs of cars parking on pavements in Wardle. This parking restricts her access when using her mobility scooter. The lack of dropped pavements/kerbs is also a problem. It was suggested that she gets in touch with Police re. Parking and Council (highways) re. Dropped pavements. It was also suggested that The Health & Safety Exec. may be interested in her problems.

Michael has now planted two oak trees to replace trees that were cut down.

Ted reported that the bridge crossing the brook behind the new estate has now been erected.

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NEW MEMBERS WELCOME