

Wardle Society

MEMBERSHIP NOW DUE

*** NEXT MEETING ***
THURSDAY 2nd November 2006
WARDLE COMMUNITY
CENTRE 7.00pm
ALL WELCOME

Minutes of the meeting held on 5th October 2006

Present: - George Caygill (Chair), Sylvia Lear (Treasurer), Jane Rickards (Minute Secretary), Ray Goodall, Janet Darnborough, Peter Denison, Eddie Rogers, Pauline Hopkinson, Ann Southerton, Peter Dickinson (PCSO), Damon Wilkinson (Rochdale Observer).

Apologies: - Julie Roberts, Ted & Hazel Bolton, Bernice Clifton, Ashley Dearnley, Beryl Wright, Barbara Fitzsimons, Robert Clegg, Michael Fitton.

Police Report: -

- Recorded crime figures remain low.
- The dispersal order ends on the 16th October.
- UV pens were distributed to members. The remainder will be available from Wardle Post Office.
- A leaflet on the campaign by the Doorstop Crimefighting Team was distributed. The free phone number to report crime is 0800 555 111.
- Access to the pictures on the CTV camera has now improved.
- Continuing complaints of cars/vans parking partially or totally on the pavements.
- Comments about frustration at being unable to get action taken following phone calls.

Coronation Power -Crook Hill Wind Turbines: -

- Reply finally received by Jane.
- If they are unable to access the site via Calderbrook Road. It was raised that there was a possibility that they might come through Wardle, in this event it might involve in the region of 4,000 return trips taking material to Shore Moor.
- There would be up to 50 concrete Lorries for each base in a day.
- Between 2-3 47 metre articulated low loader to take the turbines up, this has been suggested would be early in the morning, requiring road closures.
- We have been unable to establish whether there is to be another meeting in the Community Centre in the near future.
- It was noted that Todmorden Council has turned down Coronation Powers application for a 60 metre met mast. This has now gone to appeal.

Ann Southerton took part in the Scout Moor Walk.

Treasurers Report: - see attached.

Correspondence: - Nothing to report.

Planning: - The application by the owners of 2 Princess Avenue to extend their house. Members voted and by a majority of one decided there was no need to write objecting.

Footpaths: - The regular walks have been stopped for the time being due to lack of support. However Jane and Barbara will continue to check and monitor when they are able to. If you wish to take part please let Barbara know (this may happen at short notice)

Barbara and Jane attended the Lost Ways meeting on 2nd October 2006.

Reminder to Ashley about clearing footpaths.

Sylvia Lear is to speak to the Footpaths Officer re. Blocked access to footpath at the back of Barrett's estate.

School Crossing: - Eddie Rogers has thanked Tammy Grey for arranging for the moving of the school crossing patrol.

Concerns were raised by some members in regards to children having to come out of School via Hartley Street, this being seen as potentially dangerous.

Co-op Building: - It is now sheeted up ready for restoration work to take place.

Any Other Business: -

Ray Goodall is to report on the blocked gullies near to 2 Springbank next meeting.

Information regarding treatment of Japanese Knotweed (Guardian 20th September 2006) passed on to interested members by Bernice; there are now clumps of this invasive weed in many areas of Wardle.

Concern over the condition of the area in front of the Library/shops near the mini roundabout, many of the bricks are loose, this is not the councils responsibility, marks on some areas suggest that some work may be done in the near future.

George is to contact the organisers of Littleborough in Bloom to find out what they have done regarding public liability insurance.

Next meeting 2nd November 2006 at 7pm all welcome.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Membership now due for renewal