

MINUTES OF THE WAG AGM PUBLIC MEETING
Held Tuesday 12th June 2018 at 6pm
In The Enterprise Centre at the Oakwood Academy

Present:

Sue Jablonskas (SJ) – Chair and resident
Pat Clark (PC) – Vice Chair, Parish Councillor and resident
John Clark (JC) – Treasurer, Parish Councillor and resident
Keith Eddyshaw (KE) – Committee member, Parish Councillor and resident
Mike Robinson (MR) – Committee member, Parish Councillor and resident
Alison McDonald – Loseby (AMcDL) – Committee member and resident
Mike Hill (MK) – Deputy Chief Executive, Gedling Borough Council (will be Interim CE when John Robinson leaves)
Pauline Allen (PA) – County Councillor for the area
Hilary Fyfe – Hardy (HFH) – Nottingham City Homes
In addition, a further 7 residents signed in

Apologies:

John Robinson (JR) – Chief Executive, Gedling Borough Council (will be leaving at end of July)
Tammy Bisset (TB) – District Councillor and Parish Councillor
Cal Bryant (CB) – Committee member, Parish Councillor and resident
Michaela Stokes (MS) – Committee member and resident

No	Item	Info / Action
1	<p>Appointment of Officers Chair – SJ was proposed by PC. As SJ has been Chair for last 3 years she asked is any other person would like to put their name forward for the position. As there were no volunteers, SJ agreed to act as temporary Chair for the present time. Seconded by JC and agreed by all committee members present. Vice Chair – PC was proposed by JC who accepted, seconded by KE and agreed. Treasurer – JC was proposed by SJ who accepted, seconded by KE and agreed. No volunteers for position of Secretary. All committee members present agreed to continue their roles.</p>	
2	<p>Chairs Annual Report SJ circulated copies of Chair’s Annual report plus read out all details. This was accepted by all.</p>	
3	<p>Treasurer’s Report JC circulated the budget report showing balances as at 12/06/18. The current account balance is £3,457.89 and the business account balance is £6,251.05. The increase in the current account balance since the previous quarter is mainly due to a £2,000 grant from Nottingham City Homes to be used solely for a specific piece of gym equipment on Muirfield Park. A £500 grant has also been received from John Clarke, Leader of GBC as part of the Boroughwide Grant Fund which will be used towards the cost of the firework display. A deposit of £600 has been paid to Galaxy Fireworks for the 2018 display on Friday 2nd November. The balance of £1,800 is due to be paid later in the year. The public liability insurance of £257.60 has also been paid. This has been reimbursed by a grant from TB. It is hoped that extra funds can be raised this year at the 80s themed event , the fireworks display</p>	

	and the Christmas lights switch on. SJ explained there was £4,000 held by GBC towards match funding to the Recreation Ground development. MH was asked to check on promises made by JR and Michael Payne for extra money for our area under the new St. Alban's Parish Council.	MH
4	<p>Resident's questions</p> <p>Introduction of everyone present was made to MH. MH informed that new road signs are held in the depot awaiting for a new employee to help to fit. MR explained he had been fitting overlays to the existing signs in the meantime. New white and yellow road lining was currently being done in the area by NCC/viaem. The new speed sign is connected and will be operating by 15/06/18.</p> <p>A number of issues were raised by residents. A long discussion took place regarding long grass and poor mowing, poor maintenance of the area – particularly the Gardens. MH explained there was a limited availability of manpower and money but did explain that he and PA were working towards a more joined-up approach to our 'patchwork' area. SJ mentioned the possibility of wild flower areas which will add to the quality of the area and reduce mowing costs. The availability of lengthsman's hours to trim trees to help avoid low branches and reduce leaf-fall. MR said there is a problem of the new lengthsman not being able to dispose of the waste material and GBC not being able to collect the waste.</p> <p>Residents asked how many pieces of gym equipment there will be. SJ explained about current grants available will determine and explain where they will be sited.</p>	<p>MR to email With list</p> <p>PA to look into</p> <p>SJ to arrange meeting Jane</p>
5	<p>Fire at the Community Church</p> <p>It was confirmed that the original fire was arson. There had been concern as the people sent to clear the site had lit a second fire causing more smoke. It has still not been confirmed whether the smoke from the original fire was toxic. The land now has planning permission for 6 dwellings although no build date has been announced. The Fire Brigade had found difficulty in locating a working hydrant as the nearest ones had been blanked off. A resident stated he had written to MP Vernon Coaker requesting information on non-operating hydrants in the area. A number of parking issues were discussed, particularly on-road parking instead of people using their drives which also hindered access to hydrants. It was agreed to contact Shelley Winters the new Neighbourhood Warden for the area with regard to parking enforcement and the possibility of additional yellow lines on some roads.</p>	MH to raise with Neighbourhood warden
6	<p>Election of councillors to the new St. Alban's Parish Council</p> <p>It was noted that the 9 local residents who stood for St. Alban's Parish Council had all been elected. The second Parish Council meeting is to be on 26/06/18 in the Enterprise Centre at Oakwood Academy. MR invited MH to attend the PC meeting if available. MH had to leave the meeting at this point and said he would like to attend future meetings of WAG. MH was thanked by everyone for attending.</p>	
7	<p>Update on planned 80's themed event – Saturday 28th July 2018</p> <p>Some leaflets had been printed and distributed but a further supply was needed for 14/06/18 to enable Remedi to deliver that day. Food and Ice Cream vendors had been contacted. KE has signs for first aid and lost children from last event. A vote was taken with regard to obtaining a bouncy castle which resulted in a unanimous NO. It was agreed we would hold a tombola stall and book stall to raise funds. Tesco to be invited to hold a stall for fresh fruit / smoothies should they wish. It was agreed for 2 gazebos to be purchased out of WAG funds to be used for this and future events. Grass cutting will need to be done shortly before the event and a key obtained for entry. KE to obtain 10 tables and AMcDL to request litter pickers and risk assessment form.</p>	<p>KE to ask Oakwood</p> <p>SJ to ask JC to purchase AMcDL to contact Terry Ball at GBC</p>

8	<p>Update on funding applications</p> <p>SJ informed WAG has been awarded £10,000 towards outdoor gym equipment for the park from Notts County Council Local Improvement Scheme. SJ also to submit an application to WREN for the playground refurbishment and extension.</p>	
9	<p>Any other business</p> <p>SJ distributed copies of the minutes from last meeting which were accepted. The latest crime stats were also distributed and briefly discussed. HFH from Nottingham City Homes advised that the Young Inspectors scheme is active with Warren Primary School whereby the children walk in the area to identify anything that may need improving. It was noted that the date of this year's fireworks display will be on Friday 2nd November and a meeting to be held with Highways Agency with regard to the closure of part of Muirfield Road. The next meeting was provisionally agreed for Tuesday 11/09/18 in the Enterprise Centre at Oakwood Academy. Meeting closed at 8.30pm</p>	SJ/PC/JC