



Management Committee of Woodford Community Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25th JANUARY 2021 AT 7.30PM IN THE CHURCH HALL

PRESENT

Terry Barnes (TB), Evelyn Frearson (EF), Rev David Russell (DR), Khan Moghal (KM), Maxine Wood (MW), Peter Crossen (PC) Jane Sandover (JS)

1. **APOLOGIES:** Avril Furness (AF), Cllr Mike Hurleston (MH), Cllr Brian Bagnall (BB), Cllr John McGahan (JM)

2. OPENING REMARKS AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.

TB welcomed everyone and went straight to the first item on the agenda.

TB agreed to remain as chair, and this was proposed by JS and was seconded by Evelyn then passed unanimously.

AF had agreed to continue as treasure and this was proposed by TB and was seconded by JS and passed unanimously

JS queried whether she should remain as secretary and was proposed by EF and was seconded by DR and passed unanimously.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING 2nd NOVEMBER NOT COVERED SEPARATELY.

TB had been asked by residents about the flag pole behind 1 Moor Lane. Terry would enquire.

Post meeting note: Since the last meeting of the WCC the committee has learnt that a planning enforcement order has been served and the police have investigate the case. WNF have received notification of a planning application for comment.

Note; The newsletter was delayed as Mathew Chapman who looks after the website and sends out the newsletter caught Covid. Because of the delay the newsletter was amended to include more information about the new school, and was issued on today.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING 2nd NOVEMBER

There were some minor amendments to be made, highlighted by DR and following these amendments, they were approved.

5. FINANCIAL UPDATE

AF sent the financial information through to JS;

Balance at 02.11.21	£1129.92	
Money in	250.00	From Deanwater
Money out	£ 25.00	Hall rental
	£ 60.00	3 s/o website
	£ 17.98	Gifts
Balance	£1276.94	

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE AGM

The AGM on 11th November was at a similar time as many previous ones but it had been difficult to advertise it. Attendance was not as large as in the past. The timing of the AGM has to be within a date set out in relation to the financial year end. The possibility of changing the year end to allow an earlier AGM was discussed. JS will pursue this.

ACTION: JS

Post meeting note; the constitution states; An AGM shall be held no later than three months after the end of the financial year. The agreed date shall be publicised as early in the year as possible and **full details including the agenda circulated to all residents at least three weeks beforehand**. The year end is 31st October, so the AGM could even be in January. This year it was not possible to circulate the agenda as stated in the constitution. I will add this item to the next meeting agenda.

7. NOTICEBOARD

TB will have a word with Sunil at Budgens, as to when the best was to install it, probably when the weather improves

ACTION: TB

8. WOODFORD SHOWCASE / QUEEN'S PLATINUM ANNIVERSARY

There has been some confusion as to what was going to happen on 18th June. Previously there had been suggestions to hold an event where the residents on the new estate could find out more about the local clubs etc. Due to the pandemic this was delayed so it had been decided to hold it during this year and it will be a celebration of what Woodford had to offer as well as a jubilee event. A subcommittee met in November and during the meeting it was proposed that to invite local businesses as well as the voluntary organisations and had highlighted the need to hire a marque. As Redrow had offered to support the event PC had been trying to get a response from them. They have responded, but a discussion with regards their involvement has still to happen. PC suggested we could also invite Worker Bee Markets run by a seasoned market trader and marketing expert to come.

MW said that WWMCC were planning something on Sunday 5th June, but details were not finalised.

9. BRIEF UPDATES

REDROW/HARROW

As reported at the AGM the numbers of houses completed and occupied continues to grow and there are now 500 houses occupied. They are building around 100/year which means that the 850 houses under the existing scheme will be complete in three years. Redrow /Harrow are however lobbying the council for permission to build 500 dwellings as noted in the minutes of 27th July where the hangers were and where the commercial element was to be build. They are also proposing a with a link road to the Avro Golf course.

AVRO HERITAGE MUSEUM

TB reported that Harrow had given the museum more land where they are hoping to build more accommodation for aircraft that they are may be offered. They are aiming to raise £5million to fund the project.

TB reminded the committee that this year the museum is to host 4 military vehicle and classic car days along with a weekend Air Fair. In addition a celebration of the 70th anniversary of the first

flight of the Vulcan (August 30th 1952) will be held in August. Also in March, the 40th anniversary of the arrival of Vulcan XM603 now on display will also be commemorated

WNF

EF stated that planning applications have slowed lately reducing the work load slightly. Latest applications that have been considered;

- An application for change of use of an area of woodland behind 52 Moss Lane to be incorporated into the garden. The WNF considered that the woodland was an important for the environment and character, and the trees should be retained and requested a tree preservation order to protect them and the other trees in the same group. Post meeting note SMBC have refused but there has no news on the TPO request.
- 14 Jenny Lane doesn't seem to have had a decision. Minor modification to the infill at Moorend Farm that was permitted at appeal last year: WNF had no objections. Conversion of two apartments at 2 Jenny Lane into one dwelling: WNF had no objections. [Post meeting note: the council have permitted the application] Extensions to 14 Jenny Lane: WNF had no objections but requested retention of mature trees if possible

WNF responded to the constituency boundary alterations proposed, but PC reported that the results may not be available until after the local and mayoral elections in May. It seems that Cheadle Hulme constituency do not think they should be added to Bramhall South and Woodford either.

Marple Neighbourhood Forum had tried to contact WNF just before Christmas about their Regulation 14 consultation, but sent it to the WCC email address by mistake. No forum committee members had time to respond, but the Marple committee understood.

TB reported that the Camping and Caravan Club had decided to not approve the land at the end of Church Lane for a caravan and camping site after receiving responses from residents, WNF and Brian Bagnall.

CHURCH

DR reported that the Church was gradually finding its way out of the pandemic but the nature of the building didn't help. Remembrance Sunday went well.

WOODFORD WAR MEMORIAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MW reported that events are being planned now with a Beatles Brass Event on July 9th and on the 15th 16th 17th July there would be a performance of 'Much ado about nothing' from the Players.

WOODFORD SCHOOL

PC reported that the Laurus Trust has been chosen to run the new school but before the school can open, they are required by law to inform the local community of our plans and allow residents to respond to them. This is called a 'Section 10' public consultation. People can find out how a Laurus education can benefit their child at one of their drop-in Open Events Thursday 10th February 2022 4.30pm – 7pm or Tuesday 1st March 2022 9.30am – 11.30am at Woodford War Memorial Community Centre. PC also said that people can register for interest via the Conservative Association website. There will be a staggered opening. Queensgate will be kept open. It is

estimated that there are more families with young children near school age than originally estimated.

CLEAN AIR ZONE

This has become an issue in recent days, with many opposing and angry that it has been brought in as companies were getting over the pandemic. It has been installed without engaging the people of greater Manchester. Buses and some vehicles were to have to pay. Bolton, Bury and Bradford have suspended their instalment, with businesses trying to recover from the pandemic and cleaner vehicles not available to replace older ones there are problems. Andy Burnham wanted the whole of GM to be included.

COUNCIL TAX

There is to be a £10 addition for Greater Manchester Police and a proposed £3.5% increase for Stockport, although the LD and the Conservative want a freeze, but services will be affected if there is a freeze.

10. Any Other Business

None

11. DATE OF MEETINGS

Tuesday 29th March.