



Management Committee of Woodford Community Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27th JUNE 2023 AT 7.30PM IN THE CHURCH HALL

PRESENT

Terry Barnes (TB), Evelyn Frearson (EF), Rev David Russell (DR), Avril Furness (AF), Khan Moghal (KM), Peter Crossen (PC) Cllr Dallas Jones (DJ) Jane Sandover (JS)

1. **APOLOGIES:** Maxine Wood (MW), Cllr Ian Powney (IP), Cllr Jeremy Meal (JM)

2. The chairman TB welcomed DJ to the Community Council

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING 25th April 2023

Following some minor amendments to be made, they were approved.

4. FINANCIAL UPDATE

AF reported as follows;

Opening Balance at	£1281.94	
Money in		
Money out	£ 48.00	Website
Balance	1233.94	

AF stated that the 'reminders' will be sent out next month to the supporters of the WWC

5. APPLICATION FOR REDROW MONIES

WCC received a notification from Redrow from Natalie Tomlinson noting a Press release: £10,000 community fund in Woodford now open! "The fund is open to all not-for-profit groups working within or serving Woodford, we have £10,000 to share. Community plays a huge part in choosing where to live and we hope this fund will play a part in forging an ever-stronger sense of community in Woodford."

This was just before the summer fair hosted by WCC, Woodford War Manorial Community Council and Woodford Neighbourhood Forum, as part of the old community wanting to integrate their the new neighbours.

Emails flew round and after a meeting on 22nd June WCC applied for money to Redrow with a request for £2000 to provide a winter Christmas tree and event within Redrow estate and a repeat summer fair in 2025.

The church also applied for money for a projector.

6. NOTICEBOARD

TB has rescued the notice board from Maxine's barn and it is still stored in his garage. It is encase the legs in concrete and attach it to the small wall to add security. TB is arranging for workmen to install it. Budgens are happy with its position.

ACTION: TB

7. BRIEF UPDATES

REDROW/HARROW

It was realised that there had not been any meetings with the company for some time and it was agreed that PC would raise this. The Care home has been started. TB noted that the land around near the flight sheds area was being decontaminated. Building has slowed down but they are removing gas mains and introducing digesters and converting to biogas. AF noted that some of their workmen are now paying for parking at the Community Centre on week days.

AVRO HERITAGE MUSEUM

TB reported that the museum is had been open since 2015 and visitor numbers are still strong and are now able to accommodate special needs.

CHURCH

DR is finding that they are becoming very busy with dealing with ashes etc. You have to live within the parish to be able to 'rest' in the church grounds. A local member of the church believes he has found an air raid shelter.

WNF

It had been quieter than usual, but we have received 14 notifications for planning applications since the last meeting, taking it up to 38 this term since the AGM. There were 6 with deadlines last week, which was hard work. This included 5 new dwelling at Moorend Farm with comments with regards where room for manoeuvring of vehicles to allow safety of exit for 5+ 8 +1 as well as the existing. Two infill dwellings on Hall Moss Lane were compliant with policies in the neighbourhood DEV1 policies, but the environmental policies ENV3 and ENV4 applied. Notable recent applications included eight dwellings at kennels on Blossoms Lane. WNF Objections include not compliant with NPPF or Stockport Plan including WNP; causes harm to the Green Belt; will generate more traffic than the kennels; the lane unsuitable because single track with ditches and has quiet Lane status, and un-adopted status. 3 of the neighbours have objected too.

There was also been 3 applications for a bungalow and replacement dwelling at 45 Hall Moss Lane. Three separate documents but they were all muddled up and inaccurate.

A meeting has been organised with Osian Perks and Steve Johnson on 20th July to discuss the processes for notification and our responses.

Last Saturday EF and JS attended the Marple Neighbourhood Forum AGM and EF gave a presentation on 'Life after the Referendum'

Note WNF did not submit an application to Redrow Community Fund as it needed to be independent.

STOCKPORT LOCAL PLAN

No Progress.

WOODFORD WAR MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CENTRE.

AV reported that the WWMCC was going to use money form the reserves to improve the building and concentrate on weddings etc. To install shutters between the bar and the large hall, create more storage and invest in new chairs. After Bonfire night there more investment will continue.

BLUE PLAQUE

The blue plaque for the worker at Woodford from 1925 to 2011 will be paid for by the council and will eventually arrive and be installed.

Ivan Mauger speedway champion live for a time in Woodford and is to get a blue plaque, but it is not yet be decided where.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

TB commented that the summer fair was fantastic. Next year it is hoped to get more volunteers to assist.

9. DATE OF MEETINGS

Tuesday 5th September at 7.30pm