



## **Management Committee of Woodford Community Council**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024 AT 7.30PM IN THE CHURCH HALL**

#### **PRESENT**

Terry Barnes (TB), Evelyn Frearson (EF), Rev David Russell (DR), Avril Furness (AF), Maxine Wood (MW), Peter Crossen (PC) Jane Sandover (JS)

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr Dallas Jones (DJ), Cllr Ian Powney (IP), Cllr Jeremy Meal (JM), Khan Moghal (KM)

#### **OPENING WELCOME AND THE APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.**

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

TB agreed to remain as chair, AF agreed to continue as treasure and JS agreed to remain as secretary. All approved by the committee members present.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the last meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> September were approved after minor amendments.

#### **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

None

#### **FINANCIAL UPDATE**

AF reported as follows;

Opening Balance at	£2385.94	
Money in	£250.00	(Avro)
Money out	£1344.00	Website
Balance	£1291.94	

#### **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE AGM**

None

#### **NOTICEBOARD**

The notice board will be installed soon

**ACTION: TB**

#### **BRIEF UPDATES.**

#### **AVRO HERITAGE MUSEUM**

TB reported that the museum had been open since 2015 and visitor numbers are still strong and they are now able to accommodate special needs visitors. The Museum has applied for a pre planning application discussion for another large museum space as there are a lot of items that being given to the museum stored at the moment. There would be green features such as solar panels and heatpumps. The issue is very special circumstances need to be demonstrated for the encroachment on the greenbelt.

There will be an Air-Fair in July on 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> and September 7<sup>th</sup> is Heritage open day and there will be a 1940s weekend with period dress and 300 stalls and vintage vehicles, a Lancaster flypast.

An exhibition on the importance of Manchester to the aviation industry will be launched. VIPs and Friends of the AVRO Museum will be invited.

## **CHURCH**

The church had a better Christmas and was returning to normal after Covid. The Brass band concert with Hazel Grove blast band was well attended. DR is hoping that it will become a regular feature. There are still some issues with the building.

## **COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The Centre is continuing to improve the building, and there seem to be more weddings this year.

## **WINTER FESTIVAL**

PC presented the report. Expenses; posters £57.21, Insurance £207, Leaflets £69, Gifts £119, Prizes £200, Diversion signs £26.99, Raffle prizes £14.60, Bramhall Rotary £40 two hampers Total Expenses; £12,259 the tree was donated by the JW Lees. Despite the weather the event was well received.

AF requested that PC sent her all the invoices and receipts so that she could keep the accounts as treasurer

This year's event will be looked at later after the local election. Peter suggested that a flyer about the winter Fest and the summer fair could be sent around and possibly get new members and sponsors.

## **SUMMER FAIR JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup>**

There will be no 'worker bee' stalls this year, it is being run by Woodford; Centre, WCC and WNF. Each stall will be charged £20 per stall and will need their own gazebo. The entertainment and the food stands are booked.

## **WOODFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM**

EF reported that there had been a slow trickle of planning applications, which were mostly extensions. Since the AGM these had included extensions at: Nomad's Endeavour; 151 Woodford Road; 12 Jenny Lane; 8 Bridle Way; 4 Old Hall Lane Cottages; New Fold, Old Hall Lane; Laneside, Blossoms Lane; and 370 Chester Road.

There had been an unusual one from Cheshire East Council for offsite biodiversity mitigation

for Poynton Pool repairs by planting trees and scrub at Walnut Tree Farm.

A number of issues with the Laneside proposal were discussed in the meeting.

The proposals for 8 new dwellings at Blossoms Kennels had not yet appeared on the agenda for an Area Committee meeting.

### **STOCKPORT LOCAL PLAN**

There was a discussion about progress with the Stockport Local Plan and the potential impact of any changes on the council due to the local elections in May.

### **AOB**

PC commented that the Cheshire East Council is bankrupt and as a result green bin collections will be affected and Poynton Tip is closing. It is thought that they may sell the tip as a brownfield site.