

# **Woodford Community Council**

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 29th January 2019 AT 7.30PM AT THE CHURCH HALL, WOODFORD

#### **PRESENT**

Terry Barnes (TB), Khan Moghal(KM), Evelyn Frearson (EF), Morag White(MW), Chris Coppock (CC), Maxine Wood, Avril Furness (AF), Jane Sandover(JS)

**1. APOLOGIES;** Robin Berriman (RB), Rev David Russell (DR), Cllr Brian Bagnall, Cllr John McGahan, Cllr Mike Hurleston(MH),

# 2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING, held on 29th January 2019 (not covered separately)

- 1 JS informed the meeting that Avril Furness had agreed to take on the treasurer's role.
  All thanked her for taking on the role.
- 2 TB mentioned that the Avro Heritage Museum had not been accredited with Visit England so there will be brown signs within SMBC. Redrow has already installed new signs as access to the museum has now changed
- 3 JS has received a message from Ron Beatham who wishes to retire. The committee accepted his resignation after noting his long relationship with WCC. JS will draft a letter and circulate to TB and EF for comment before delivering it.

# 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 23<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2018

Approved; Post meeting note JS noted that she had not put herself on the attendees. She has now done so!

# 4. FINANCIAL UPDATE

AV stated that two payments for the website had been paid leaving the current balance at £1109.92. A further payment for website hosting is due of £35.97 in the next two weeks.

#### 5. MATTERS ARISING

More Sponsorship JS apologised as she had not been able to discuss sponsorship with the Deanwater Hotel and will do so as soon as she can. TB stated that the Avro Golf Club is not in a very good financial way and has no spare money. CC suggested that we could ask the community for donations; using for instance Just Giving. CC will look into this and discuss with Mike Gallagher about putting such connection on the website. EF believed that High Lane Residents Association have a method of voluntary contributions. It was suggested that sums of £10 would be more easily handled. We could also have a bucket for donations at the AGM.

TB mentioned that the new pub on the Redrow estate may like to contribute. He will ask his friend

# **ACTION Jane Sandover Terry Barnes**

2 Constitution KM has also looked into the membership of WCC and maybe we could as for a membership fee of £10. A discussion ensued as to whether WCC should become a registered charity. EF and JS commented that the committee would then become trustees like at Woodford War Memorial Community Centre and accounts would need to be done and submitted to the charities commission. It was agreed that WCC should be kept going and all residents are members (unlike the Woodford Neighbourhood Forum where SMBC removed the former airfield). Heald Green Ratepayers Association was mentioned. KM will come back to the committee with a vision and different options

**ACTION: Khan Moghal** 

Post meeting note this is a limited company that started in 1927. Woodford had a ratepayers association which was still in existence in 1980 as JS was given minutes by MW. The earliest book is dated 22<sup>nd</sup> June 1923 and records the second AGM.

- **Need for more members on the committee;** This must be brought up before the next AGM to try and involve more of the community, as we have now lost another committee member.
- 4 Noticeboard Both JS and RB have chased this and Emma Warrington has confirmed that the site is being looked at by the planning department as it was on adopted footpath. Until we have confirmation/clarification on how to obtain permission to place on the adopted highway she is unable to place the order etc. She asked if it could go where it was before but as it was subject to being hit previously (I sent her the photos), this was really not an option. I am not convinced that it is all on adopted footpath as the SMBC bin is within Budgen's entrance way, so only one leg would be on the edge of the pavement. There has not been a response to my email with the photos.

# 6. WEBSITE REFRESH

- 1. TB is interested in joining to meet Mike Gallagher.
- 2. Content of the website needs to be organised. WNF have a history of Woodford that can be used for the 'about' page, and it is suggested that the home page should have the latest Newsletter/Newsflash as well as the sponsors information

#### 7. NEXT NEWSLETTER

This will be a about the WNF referendum and will also mention the new website. It
could also have a link for donations. EF is drafting something for the WNF. If anyone
has any other item they think the local community should know about please send to
JS and EF

ACTION: Evelyn Frearson & Jane Sandover

#### 8. BRIEF UPDATES

## 1 WNF

An email has gone round to all, no more news but it should be noted that the referendum will not be at the same time as the local elections.

#### 2 Redrow

No new meeting has been arranged.

### 3 GMSF

More than 20,000 responses have been received; less than the previous one but it still shows how many are involved with what Greater Manchester should be like. Only the Conservatives had responded fully in SMBC, the Liberals responded but ignored Woodford. There was no response from Labour in the borough. There were 200 responses from Woodford.

## 4 SMBC Local Plan

The Stockport Local plan is probably 2 years away but there may be a consultation in September. EF is going to have a word with Emma Curle chief planner as many households without children go away in September.

#### 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

CAE are moving off the airfield on June 30<sup>th</sup> although the building will not be fully emptied until mid-July.

Avro Heritage is opening for Open Heritage Weekend probably on 8<sup>th</sup> September. On May 4<sup>th</sup> Stockport Motor Club the third oldest club in England are starting and ending at the museum. Initially 60 cars will congregate at 6am and the head off fri trials coming back at 5pm for an evening meal.

The Air Fair will be August 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>.

It is the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of AVRO moving to their Chadderton Site and there will be some ceremony to mark this in July

### 10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm at the Church Hall.