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## Meeting Minutes

<b>Attendees</b>	Sophie Blaken (SB) - Chair, Pat Huxley (PH) – Treasurer, Daniel Atherton (DA), Lindsey Barnes, Pam Duesbury, Ann Gerty (AG), Revd Phil Marsh (PM), Jeremy Pratt, Alice Veldtman (AV)
<b>Also Present</b>	Cllr Roger Steel (RS), Cllr Andrew Rule (AR)
<b>Where</b>	The Ferry Inn, Main Road, Wilford
<b>When</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> June 2019
<b>What</b>	Wilford Community Group Meeting

Item	Description	Action
<b>0</b>	<b>Agenda</b>	
0.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1 Apologies</li><li>2 Minutes &amp; Actions from 20th May 2019 Meeting</li><li>3 Summer Picnic Organising - 6th July 2019</li><li>4 May Day 2020 / VE Day Bank Holiday Discussion - 8/9/10th May 2020</li><li>5 Heritage Update<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Phone Box</li><li>- Heritage Trail</li></ul></li><li>6 Litter Picking Update</li><li>7 Iremongers Pond update</li><li>8 Ruddington Lane Park</li><li>9 Annual Newsletter Planning</li><li>10 AGM Organising</li><li>10 Any Other Business</li><li>- State of pavements on Main Road between Wilford Lane and B-Bank</li></ul>	
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
1.1	Rob Dodson, Christian Nardoni, Sarah O'Connor, Bill and Claire Roughton, Alan Woodward	
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes and Actions</b>	
2.1	Minutes confirmed.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Summer Picnic Organising - 6th July 2019</b>	
3.1	<p>Further discussion ensued about the feasibility of a full-blown summer event vis-à-vis the picnic idea, especially amongst those who had not attended the May meeting. PH had ordered an ice cream van and expressed her willingness to co-ordinate a traditional summer event.</p> <p>It was decided however to go ahead with a simple picnic, to be advertised by DA on Facebook and via a poster as a Founder's Day Picnic, with participants being encouraged to bring food and games for sharing. The poster would also highlight that there would be a sweet stall run by AV in aid of Macmillan and that volunteers were sought to help PH organise a full event for next year.</p> <p>A fair was being held at South Wilford School in the morning; SB to contact the school to ascertain if this is a Founder's Day event.</p>	<div>DA</div> <div>SB</div>

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<b>4</b>	<b>May Day 2020/VE Day Bank Holiday Discussion – 8/9/10th May 2020</b>	
4.1	May Day Bank Holiday 2020 is being celebrated on the Friday instead of the Monday, and it was therefore decided that Wilford May Day would be held on Sunday 10 May. It would still be advertised as May Day, but red, white and blue would be worn in order to tie in with VE Day. SB to ask Ray Hutchins if he would produce an historical display.	<b>SB</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Heritage Update</b>	
5.1	<p><i>Main Road Phone Box:</i></p> <p>AG reported that she had been in touch with the Land Registry, who confirmed that the land where the phone box is to be sited is not registered to anyone and therefore planning permission was not needed. She had also spoken to Nigel, i/c the Jesse Boot Homes, who was enthusiastic about the project. She had received a quote of £600 for the refurbishment of the exterior of the box.</p> <p>RS pledged £300 towards this from the Wilford fireworks event. AG to follow up pricing and timescale</p> <p>Discussion on the possibility of the box housing a defibrillator led to the fact that South Wilford School were purchasing a cabinet to house theirs at a cost of £600, and it was agreed that WCG would share this amount. PH to donate £300 from the Group.</p> <p><i>Heritage Trail:</i></p> <p>DA reported that a series of A3 or A2 information boards would be installed at significant historical sites around Wilford, an oral history would be built up by interviewing longstanding residents (hoping to involve local schoolchildren), and the trail would be launched with a heritage festival, ca. August 2020.</p> <p>He had had an encouraging meeting with Heritage Lottery representatives and is now applying for a £12k grant. In association with this, it was deemed appropriate that the phone box should be used to house a local history display</p>	<p><b>AG / RS</b></p> <p><b>PH</b></p> <p><b>DA</b></p>
<b>6</b>	<b>Litter Picking Update</b>	
6.1	<p>AV reported on the popularity of this group and the dedication of the people involved. Alma from Clifton North was arranging a grand litter-pick on 29 July involving several local groups, followed by stone-baked pizza at the Summerwood Community Garden.</p> <p>Wilford would start at The Harvester and work up to the Silverdale Island. All those registered as Clean Champions with Nottingham Council had been invited to tea at the Council House on 12 July. After much persistence on Ruth's part, The Harvester had finally had a large amount of fly-tipping removed from their premises.</p>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Iremongers Pond</b>	
7.1	PH reported that the grass had been cut recently, that the grass and weeds within the cages round the trees need attention, that the deteriorated fishing peg needs re-building, that the two education boards have been vandalised and that the noticeboard needs repairing. RS has organised the funding for this and we still have money to come from the Co-op which could be used on a bench, but also she	

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	<p>would like to see a wildflower meadow planted. She will arrange a work-day with Bill Roughton on his return from holiday.</p> <p>NET has still not handed over the land to the Council, AR to chase.</p> <p>Fliss Hogg has promised a sign at the entrance to the pond, as per Ruddington Lane Park. This year's Green Flag Awards would be announced in July.</p>	<p><b>PH</b></p> <p><b>AR</b></p>
<b>8</b>	<b>Ruddington Lane Park</b>	
8.1	<p>RS and AR were delighted to announce that the funding had been obtained for the renovation of Ruddington Lane Park, with everything on the original plans being approved, ie an expansion of the outdoor gym and a refurbishment/expansion of the children's play area, including the replacement of the bark chippings with a spongy material. Further Information attached Appendix A.</p> <p>The failed wildflower meadow is to be restored to grassland and a wildflower corridor to be sown on either side of the park, 1 metre- and 2 metre- widths respectively. It was felt that the community should be involved in the selection of a more inclusive name for the park and possibly in the design of decorative gates, which were being considered as a replacement for the rocks currently discouraging travellers.</p>	<b>DA</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Annual Newsletter Planning</b>	
9.1	<p>DA presented a mock-up of a summer newsletter he had designed, double-sided A4. Quotes for printing in colour and volunteers to help distribute it would be sought.</p> <p>RS presented a copy of Ruddington's newsletter, which contained many good ideas.</p>	<b>DA</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>AGM Organising</b>	
10.1	It was decided the AGM would be held on Monday 19 August in place of the usual WCG Meeting, followed by refreshments. The Ferry would have an outside bar by then as part of its refurbishment.	
<b>11</b>	<b>AOB</b>	
11.1	<p>On the Hunters Close side of Main Road, police had been asking residents to cut back their hedges. AR to flag up to Council the state of the pavements along Main Road.</p> <p>DA gave an area crime report, attached Appendix B.</p> <p>PH had asked PM about the amount of gas used at the May Day event – they had used what they already had, but it would need replacing. PM stated that this would be his last WCG meeting before moving to Ely. There had been no link between St Wilfrid's Church and WCG when he first came to Wilford, and he praised the work and dynamic approach of all concerned in its set-up and continuation. He encouraged the WCG to spearhead continued liaison with the church, particularly during the inter-regnum, when the church focus would be on appointing his successor.</p> <p>PH's last service would be on Sunday 7 July, followed by a fuddle, to which all members of the WCG were cordially invited.</p>	<b>AR</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Next WCG Meeting – 15/07/19 19:30 start</b>	

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## APPENDIX A

## Ruddington Lane Park – Redevelopment

**From:** Fliss Hogg <fliss.hogg@nottinghamcity.gov.uk>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2019 11:46:00 AM

**To:** Andrew Rule (Cllr); Prairie Bryant; Roger Steel (Cllr); pat huxley; sophie blaken; alice raven

**Subject:** RE: Ruddington Lane Park

Dear all,

Please find attached the designs for the play area and fitness area...these are the designs that won the tender process. So we are now in a position to order and start works soon.

## Fliss Hogg

## Greenspace Development Officer

## Parks and Open Spaces

**Neighbourhood Services | Commercial and Operations | Nottingham City Council**

**Woodthorpe Grange, Woodthorpe Drive, Nottingham, NG5 4HA**



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## **APPENDIX B**

### **Wilford Crime Figures 18/05/2019 – 17/06/2019**

#### 3 x Burglary other

- 3 x Bikes stolen from garage
- Item stolen whilst building being refurbished
- 2 x Bikes stolen from garage

#### 2 x Criminal Damage

- Vehicle damaged whilst parked on the highway
- Smashed window to Public House

#### 2 x Domestic Incidents

#### 4 x Sexual Offences

#### 1 x Theft Other

#### 1 x Theft from vehicle

#### 1 x Theft from shop

Other incidents of note.

2 males arrested and charged with a burglary other in Silverdale and one of the males also charged with a theft that occurred in Clifton.

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