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MINUTES

WANA Steering Group
Wednesday 5th February 2025
Witherley Parish Room
7.00-8.00pm

Present: Kim Liggins, Chair (KL), Dayle Flude, Vice Chair (DF), Lynne Lainé, Secretary (LL); Roger Lainé, Treasurer (RL), Joy Simpson, Social Events subgroup Chair (JS); Richard Wade, Planning subgroup Chair (RW), Rod Bell (RB), Rob Flude (RF), Pat Helyer (PH), Tony Carter, Flood Warden (TC), Sarah Smith (SS), David Hickie (DH), Mick Humble (MH).

Apologies: Jackie Albrighton (JA), Margaret Hickie (MH), Jan Humble (JH), Keith Simpson (KS), Denise Bloomer (DB)

	Item	Action
1.	Welcome and Apologies: KL welcomed all and accepted apologies.	
2.	Draft Minutes	
2.1	Minutes of the Steering Group 20 th November 2024 agreed.	
2.2	Minutes of the Annual general Meeting (AGM) 18 th January 2025 agreed.	
3.	Matters Arising	
3.1	The action Log was reviewed and all agreed to the closure of item 6 (16/07/2024) as it has been superseded by the AGM presentation. Items 3.1 and 5 (20/11/2024) closed.	
3.2	Item 6.1 (19/09/2024) to be discussed under item 6 on the agenda.	
4.	Correspondence This month's correspondence log reflects the considerable amount of correspondence in relation to flooding. Correspondence sent to Witherley Parish Council awaiting a response.	
5	Issues Log Noted	

<p>6 6.1 6.2 6.3 6.4</p>	<p>Feedback from the AGM KL gave an overview of the AGM, minutes circulated to all. Attendees feedback discussed. Attendees' suggestions on what WANA should focus on for 2025 noted. KL suggested that these should form the basis of the objectives for 2025. WANA Notice Board- 7 residents voted yes to the question should WANA have a notice board. The steering group preference was for a wall mounted wooden board. Location to be explored. Application to the HBBC Making A difference fund to be made.</p>	<p>Notice Board Draft WANA objectives to be available for March meeting Possible locations to be explored- wall of WUFC and WMPFT Application to the HBBC Making a Difference Fund</p>
<p>7. 7.1 7.2</p>	<p>Working with Partners Circulation of AGM presentation to agencies/partners agreed Working towards a positive relationship with Witherley Parish Council is the one objective WANA did not achieve in 2024. Several invitations have been extended to WPC to meet with the WANA steering group- no response has been received. The majority of WANA correspondence to WPC has not been acknowledged or responded to nor referenced in the Clerks report to Council.</p>	<p>Correspondence sent to the Clerk to be forwarded to the steering group.</p>
<p>8 8.1 8.2 8.3 8.4 8.5 8.6 8.7</p>	<p>Treasurers Report RL presented the account position as the annual accounts presented at the AGM. Cash Position as 27th January 2025 £3085 The forecast position after the August Bank Holiday event is £2500. Donations to the three village organisations have been made and a thank you received from each. Company and Games Grant -£139 unallocated. Marquee: the 2nd instalment of the deposit will be paid in February. Scrutiny and audit of accounts raised- RL stated that this is good practice and a proposal under any other business is a possible option.</p>	
<p>9.</p>	<p>WANA Insurance Four quotes for the WANA insurance have been received. The current provider has increased the annual premium significantly. Each quote received has comparable public liability, volunteer (employer) and equipment cover. All agreed to proceed with the quote from Markel Direct.</p>	<p>RL to proceed with the Markel Direct insurance quote.</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p>Proposal: Donation Button on website DF explained that our website has a function for a donation button- there is no cost to implement and may provide an option for members of the public to donate to WANA. All</p>	<p>Donation button to be added to wana.org.uk</p>

	agreed that DF should proceed with adding donation button to wana.org.uk	
11. 11.1	<p>Subgroup feedback: Social Events Subgroup</p> <p>JS summarised that since the last two meetings there have been three events, the Soul House Blues, a Womble Litter pick and the Curry and Bingo Night.</p> <p>All events to date have sold out with wait list for tickets.</p> <p>The next Social Events subgroup meeting is on the 10th February where detailed planning for the August bank holiday will commence.</p>	
11.2	<p>Planning Subgroup</p> <p>RW gave an overview of the subgroup's activities since the last meeting which has focussed on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bull Inn – from a safety perspective the building is a risk. RW has been in contact with Mr Chris Brown from the planning department at HBBC. Residents have reported seeing surveyors on the site over the last few weeks. • Flooding. Members of the subgroup attended a multi-agency meeting in December convened by Dr Luke Evans, MP. The Environment Agency are due to publish a crucial report by the end of the month. 	
11.3	<p>Newsletter</p> <p>LL shared that the March newsletter is in draft and will be circulated to the steering group for review over the coming week. RW proposed that the next newsletter could focus on Pooch Poo Pollution. RW read a draft for consideration. All agreed that the newsletter drafted in March for April distribution will focus on the dog fouling issue. DF suggested including a section on risk to Farmland and Farm animals.</p>	DF to contact farmer with a request to place a Pick it up Poster at the entrance to ASH Lane. DF to draft a piece for the newsletter on the risk farmland & farm animals.
12.	<p>Policy and Statement Annual Review</p> <p>Process and timescale agreed.</p>	
13. 13.1	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>Proposal from JH for a WANA working party to litter pick after floods- agreed. LL to coordinate a date via steering group What's app group.</p>	Litter pick-coordinate date via Steering Group What's app
13.2	Proposal from Treasurer to bring a paper for discussion at the March meeting on WANA applying for Charitable	Charitable Incorporated

	Incorporated Association- agreed to be on agenda for next meeting	Association discussion paper for March 2025.
13.3	Proposal from Secretary for donation to the resident who feeds the Birds for 2 sacks of bird food not to exceed £20.00. Agreed	LL to purchase Bird Seed and deliver to resident.
13.4	Proposal from Treasurer to request that WPC install a Bus Shelter for residents at the end of St Peters Avenue, agreed. Letter to be sent to WPC requesting a Bus Shelter.	
13.5	Proposal from the Chair that the River Anker Survey link to be added to the WANA blog. Agreed.	
14.	Items for Next Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policies for review • Charitable Incorporated Association discussion paper 	
15.	Date of Next meeting: Tuesday 18 th March 7-8.00pm Witherley Parish Room Apologies received from JA and KL	