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WANA Steering Group Minutes
Wednesday 19 August 2026
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); Richard Wade, Planning subgroup Chair (RW); Tony Carter, Flood Warden (TC); Joy Simpson, Social Events subgroup Chair (JS); David Hickie; (DH); Margaret Hickie (MH); Jackie Albrighton (JA); Sarah Smith (SS).

Apologies: Rod Bell (RB); Pat Helyer (PH), Keith Simpson (KS); Ian Rawson-Mackenzie (IRM);

Meeting commenced at 18.55 hrs

	Item	Action
1.	**Welcome and Apologies**: KL welcomed all to the meeting and accepted apologies. .	
2. 2.1	**Draft Minutes** Steering Group minutes of the 29th July 2026 **Agreed.**	
3. 3.1	**Matters Arising** Steering Group Action Log reviewed- open actions: 29/07/2026 Community Response Plan in progress 29/07/2026 Community Fridge Scheme on agenda 29/04/2026 Company and Games information sessions	LL to contact CL re open action from April 2026
4. 4.1	**Correspondence Log** Received and content noted	
5. 5.1	**Issues Log** No new issues reported .	
6 6.1 6.2	**Treasurers Report** WANA cash position as of 12th August 2026 £3,708.06 RL drew attention to the total Grant's awarded by WANA £4248.72 Marquee quotes for the 2nd- 4th July 2027 reviewed. **Agreed** to proceed with the quote from Company C. A kind offer from a local business to supply tables and chairs has been accepted. RL has negotiated deposit payment terms as two instalments, the first due on booking, the second in February 2027 and the balance on erection of the Marquee.	RL to circulate links to supplier C's information and reviews RL to confirm the Marquee booking.

7.	**Community Fridge Scheme**	
7.1	Advantages and disadvantages of scheme discussed, key issues identified: ➢ Whether the Community would utilise the Fridge - consultation via AGM ➢ Supplies of food ➢ Management and stock rotation ➢ Risks associated with perishable products ➢ Volunteers ➢ Location and access	Teams meeting with HBBC lead to be arranged to gather information on how scheme operates across the Borough.
7.2	The possibility of a Community Pantry rather than a fridge may reduce risks associated with perishable products	
7.3	An offer for a Teams meeting with the HBBC lead to be taken up	
8.	**HBBC Local plan 2024-2045 Regulation 19 Consultation** Following a discussion, it was **agreed** Steering Group members to respond as individuals.	
9.	**Subgroup feedback:**	
9.1	**Social Events Subgroup:** Update received from JS ➢ Two upcoming events, The Family Games night on the 19th September, ticket sales are slow. ➢ The Retro Vinyl disco on the 3rd October.	
9.2	**Environmental Subgroup** Update from RW: **Kennel Lane:** The proposed widening of Kennel Lane as part of the Cameron Homes site development is key focus of the subgroup work with ongoing communications between HBBC, LCC and Cameron Homes. **Flooding:** TC reported that de-silting of the river at the Mythe Lane bridge is scheduled for Autumn 2026. Works are also proposed which will increase capacity of the watercourse at the Atterton Lane culvert. Trent Rivers Trust has been appointed by Flood Risk Management at the County Council to undertake a catchment-wide study. This work will identify suitable locations for natural flood management measures and interventions which would involve discussions with affected landowners. **Traffic Survey:** meeting with Police to discuss issues raised in the survey rearranged.	
9.3	**Newsletter- suggestions for October 2026:** ➢ Proposed kennel Lane widening- include map ➢ Christmas Afternoon Tea 5th December ➢ Foraged Fruit event in February 2027	

	➢ Flooding improvement- when work completed	
10. 10.1	**Any Other Business** It has been brought to WANA's attention that two children from Village resident families have not been offered a place in Witherley School. The full facts are not known, KL to liaise with the Head Teacher.	KL to liaise with the Head Teacher
11.	**Items for Next Meeting:** Review of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation application Review WANA Annual Objectives	
12.	**Date of Next meeting:** 22nd September 2026 7-8.00pm, Witherley Parish Room October and December date changed as follows: 20th October 2026 15th December 2026	

Meeting closed at 20.13 hrs with a thank you for attendance.