



WANA Steering Group Minutes
Thursday 27th November 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); Richard Wade, Planning subgroup Chair (RW); Tony Carter, Flood Warden (TC); Rod Bell (RB); David Hickie (DH); Margaret Hickie (MH); Rob Flude (RF)

Apologies: Jan Humble (JH); Mick Humble (MH); Keith Simpson (KS), Ian Rawson-Mackenzie (IRM). Jackie Albrighton (JA), Sarah Smith (SS); Joy Simpson, Social Events subgroup Chair (JS); Pat Helyer (PH)

Meeting commenced at 19.00 hrs

| | Item | Action |
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| 1. | Welcome and Apologies: KL welcomed all to the meeting and accepted apologies. | |
| 2. 2.1 | Draft Minutes Steering Group minutes of the 22 nd October 2025 Agreed. | |
| 3. | Matters Arising 3.1 22/10/205 6.1 WANA insurance- additional premium for increased income purchased. 3.2 22/10/205 6.4 WUFC- 1 st payment from Warm Spaces grant of £250 made. 3.3 22/10/205 7.3 Parish Room Committee welcomed donation of two new hand driers- they will be fitted week commencing 1 st December. A WANA thank you extended to Mr Liggins. 3.4 22/10/205 9.3 Advent Trail confirmed. 3.5 23/04/2025 7.3 Resilience equipment, small group to review equipment and condition, Witherley Community resilience plan to be considered. | |
| 4. 4.1 | Correspondence The correspondence log was reviewed the following noted: Ediblelinks service in Witherley on the last Monday of the month and submission of the Warm Spaces Monitoring form. . | |

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| 5. | Issues Log | |
| 5.1 | A resident reported that the replaced stile on Atterton Lane is too high - resident has submitted request for it to be made more accessible. | |
| 5.2 | A resident has submitted a concern that the footpath from Ash Lane to Atterton lane has not been marked across the planted field. | |
| 6 | Treasurers Report | |
| 6.1 | WANA cash position as of 20 th November 2025 £5788. Comparison with the 12-month position of £2807. | |
| 6.2 | Calendar Sales: 100 calendars printed. 13 calendars awarded to winning entrants. Retail price £6.50. Stock-10 calendars. No additional printing agreed at this stage. | |
| 6.3 | Dave Walker's Memories of Witherley- all stock sold, a small wait list held. Discussion on whether to print a further supply or wait for the Witherley Uncovered project. Amazon print raised as a possible solution. | Amazon print to be explored as an option for printing the Memories of Witherley. |
| 6.4 | Warm Spaces monitoring form submitted to Warm Spaces Officer. | |
| 6.4 | Lottery Grant for notice board unsuccessful. | |
| 7. | WANA Constitution | |
| 7.1 | Revisions agreed at the October meeting approved | To be uploaded to the website |
| 8. | Company and Games year one evaluation | |
| 8.1 | Report received and approved . | |
| 8.2 | It was noted that Company and Games is now established in the Village, with an average weekly attendance of over 20. A positive relationship with Witherley Primary School has been established: to mark Kindness Day, 13 th November a group of children visited bearing gifts of an apple crumble for each attendee. | |
| 9. | Police and Crime Commissioner Funding | KL to liaise with Head Teacher Witherley Primary School whether a joint initiative for road safety is feasible |
| 9.1 | RW outlined the Police and Crime Commissioner Funding for community driven road safety improvements - applications for funding close on the 17 th January 2026. | |
| 9.2 | Known resident concerns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Speed of vehicles on Kennel Lane ➤ Recent parking on Bridge Lane - resolved by RW liaising with the Police ➤ Parking around school start and finish times | A community consultation re road safety to be explored |

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| 9.3 | A community consultation would be required to understand resident concerns and possible solution. It was noted the time scale would not be met by the January grant deadline. | |
| 9.4 | A proposal was raised to discuss with Witherley Primary School whether any road safety plan could be implemented. It was proposed that the Chair make contact with the Head Teacher. Agreed | |
| 10. | Subgroup feedback: | |
| 10.1.1 | Social Events Subgroup: | |
| 10.1.2 | <p>LL reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 24 adults attended the Defibrillator and basic life support training on the 28th October. ➤ The Quiz on the 22nd November was a successful and enjoyable evening and raised £116.00. <p>Upcoming events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ An advent trail around the Village ➤ 6th December, the snowman drive, please encourage ticket sales. ➤ 3rd January Womble litter pick with soup and a roll for all participating ➤ 31st January 7.30 -10.30 Crazy Horses- a night at the races ➤ 28th February 7.30- 10.30 Foraged Fruit Taster ➤ 28th March Afternoon Tea 12.00- 16.00 | |
| 10.2 | <p>Planning Subgroup including flooding update:</p> <p>RW reported the planning group met with the key topic discussed being the clearing of the land at the Bull Inn. A fence has been partially erected on the roadside boundary. Historic England are aware of the activity on the site. There are numerous FaceBook posts raising concerns regarding the site: appearance, safety and accessibility to travellers</p> | |
| 10.3 | <p>Newsletter- suggestions for January 2026:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Promotion of the WANA Calendar ➤ The AGM ➤ Social events:, Womble 3rd January, Crazy Horses 31st January and Foraged Fruit Drinks evening 28th February. | |
| 11. | Any Other Business: | |
| 11.1 | Village Resilience, including flooding and other weather extremes e.g. snow. TC confirmed the Snow Warden role is combined with the Flood Warden role. Utility providers encourage older and vulnerable residents to register so that they can be prioritised if there is a service failure. | Bring forward to the next agenda. |
| 11.2 | Tony Carter, Flood Warden has been recognised in the HBBC Making A Difference Volunteer Awards. Tony thanked and congratulated for his ongoing support to Witherley residents. | |

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| 12. | Items for Next Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ WANA AGM ➤ Witherley Community Resilience Plan, including promoting vulnerable resident registration with utility providers | |
| 13. | Date of Next meeting: Thursday 16 th December 7-8.00pm Witherley Parish Room | |

Meeting closed at 20.05 hrs with a thank you for attendance.