

## WANA Steering Subgroup Minutes Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2024 6.30-7.30pm Witherley Parish Room

**Present**: Kim Liggins, Chair (KL), Dayle Flude, Vice Chair (DF); Lynne Lainé, Secretary (LL), Roger Lainé, Treasurer (RL), Jackie Albrighton (JA); Joy Simpson, Social Events subgroup Chair (JS) Pat Helyer (PH); David Hickie (DH), Tony Carter, Flood Warden (TC), Rob Flude (RF), Richard Wade, Planning subgroup Chair (RW), Mick Humble (MH), Denise Bloomer (DB)

**Apologies:** Margaret Hickie (MH), Ian Rawson-Mackenzie (IRM); Clare Wharton (CW), Keith Simpson (KS), Sarah Smith (SS), Jan Humble (JH), Rod Bell (RB),

	Item	ACTION
1.	Meeting Commenced at 18.30hrs KL welcomed all to the meeting, introduced Denise Bloomer to members and accepted apologies.	
2.	<b>Draft Minutes meeting 19<sup>th</sup> September 2024</b> The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.	
3	Matters Arising Open and in progress actions on the action log reviewed:	
3.1	The following action log items were discussed: <b>19092024 minute 4.1</b> Witherley Parish Council (WPC) nonresponse to correspondence including the letter dated 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024 requesting a	3.1Letter to WPC summarising all non-response to be sent.
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3.3 3.4 3.5	19092024 minute 6.1 WANA Notice Board- costs explored, wall mounted aluminium framed notice boards cost in region £370-400. Post supported notice boards in aluminium cost £400-600. Site options discussed, agreed that it is not a current budget priority as newsletter is distributed to every household, and posters for events are displayed in numerous village locations. Decision to defer to AGM and ask residents if a WANA notice board is required. 14082024 minute 6.1, photographs to be added to six-month report, in progress.  16072024 minute ref 6.0 infographic in progress	3.2 Notice Board consultation at the AGM  3.5JA to liaise with the author to try and glean any further information to support identifying its whereabouts.
4. 4.1	Correspondence Correspondence log reviewed: Freedom of information request to Leicestershire County Council response received on the 17 <sup>th</sup>	
4.2	September and circulated to all members.  Response received on the 20 <sup>th</sup> September from	
4.3	HBBC planning re Hunt Walk signage circulated to all members.	
4.4	Correspondence since the September meeting has been focussed on the flooding. Thanks were given to DB for copying WANA into all flooding correspondence.	
4.5	Response received from Lesley Keal at HBBC re s106.	4.5 Response
	A request has been received from a Ratcliffe Culey resident for a copy of the Local Plan Consultation response. It was agreed that as the individual neither resides or works in Witherley or Atterton the request would be declined, and advice given that HBBC will publish consultation responses in due course.	declining request to be sent.
5	Issues Log Received and noted.	
6	Treasurers Report	
6.1	RL presented the monthly financial summary in a revised format.	
6.2	The Cash Position as 8 <sup>th</sup> October 2024 is £3,403.	
6.3	The Income from Gary Googlay Event was £606.	

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6.4	Ticket Sales for the upcoming Soul House Blues event, the funds for 28 tickets have been received, the funds from remaining 35 tickets will be used to make a cash payment to the band. An on the night raffle is planned.	
6.6	Spend to date against Company and Games Grant £352.10, this includes expenditure on the food handling and allergy course and the purchase of games and storage boxes.	6.6 RL to review capacity and forward information
6.7	Marquee for August 2025 RL reported that quotes have been sought, Marshalls have responded with the most competitive options.  Option 1: 9m x 15m, 135 sqm with carpet suitable for dancing and lighting, £1840  Option2: 9m x 18m, 162sqm with carpet suitable for dancing and lighting, £2115  For comparison the Parish Room is 72sqm.	to all  6.7 RL to request lower deposit
	Following a discussion, all agreed to proceed with option 1, RL to confirm capacity. 25% deposit required, a lower deposit to be requested. IRM has kindly offered to provide chairs and tables.	
7 7.1	Statement for approval: WANA Cash and Bank Handling Statement v5 RL explained that the addition to the Cash and Bank Handling Statement v5reflects the Lloyds banking functionality to support cash flow forecasting. Version 5 approved.	
8.	Flooding	
8.1	The increasing frequency and severity of flooding of Mythe Lane and Atterton Lane was discussed at length.	
8.2	The multi-faceted causes of the Witherley flooding are recognised and the challenge and frustration from	
8.3	attempts to liaise with the separate agencies.	
8.4	TC Flood Warden and DB have been extremely proactive in lobbying the different agencies, raising awareness of the Witherley issue by making best use of their in-depth knowledge of causes of the flooding to help the agencies appreciate the breadth of the	
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8.5	issue, the damage to homes and the impact on residents. It appears that the agencies are starting to listen to TC and DB.  Dr Luke Evans is convening a meeting on the 13 <sup>th</sup> December in Witherley Parish Room, the time as yet has not been notified to TC or DB, a letter to be sent to Dr Evans requesting a delegation from WANA, TC and DB be formally invited.  LCC are holding a meeting 2-6pm 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 for attendees to discuss flooding issues with the main agencies - the planning subgroup to agree a delegation to attend.  RW has been actively seeking an in-person meeting with Severn Trent, an offer of a TEAMS online meeting has been made for the 1 <sup>st</sup> November. RW will confirm details with the planning subgroup.	8.4 Letter to Dr Luke Evans re invite to WANA reps to the meeting on the 13 <sup>th</sup> December.  8.5 & 8.6 RW to confirm attendees for the LCC 7 <sup>th</sup> November meeting and Severn Trent Meeting details.
9.	Dog Fouling	
9.1 9.2 9.3	There is an ongoing issue of dog fouling, the difficulty of identifying the offenders discussed, recognising that there are people who drive to the village to walk their dogs. A particular issue noted is that of owners who walk dogs on the pavements off lead.  A resident requested, via Witherley Facebook a Dog litter bin at the end of St Peters Ave. The request has been passed to Witherley Parish Council as they will be responsible for installing a bin and ensuring it is added to the contract for it to be emptied.  Confirmation of receipt of the request received from the Parish Council Clerk.	9.3 A request to Streetscene for pavement clean it up markings to be reapplied in hot spot areas.
9.4	HBBC Streetscene, at the request of WANA, have previously sprayed the pavements with the clean it up sign.  A proposal was made and agreed to invite Witherley Primary School to design some posters for display around the village. Gift tokens to be used for prizes for the best entry.	9.4 Witherley Primary School to be invited to draw posters highlighting issue.

10.	Subgroup feedback:	
10.1	Social Events Subgroup JS update the steering subgroup on the success of the Gary Googlay event on the 5 <sup>th</sup> October. At the last social events subgroup meeting it was agreed that future ticket sales for events will be capped at 60 – this will ensure the comfort and space for attendees. The room is insured for 70. The next event is the Soul House Blues night which is a sell out event. Upcoming events: Curry & Bingo 25 <sup>th</sup> January Quiz night 22 <sup>nd</sup> February. Bonkers Bingo 15 <sup>th</sup> March Baroness of Bolsover on the 12 <sup>th</sup> April.	
	Company and Games launches on Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> .	
10.2	Planning Subgroup The planning subgroup have met where the main focus was on the flooding issues, RW confirmed this had been covered under item 8.	
10.3	Newsletter LL reported that the November newsletter is with the printer and was updated over the weekend to reflect the Parish Council changes.	
11.	Volunteer Thank you.	Add to AGM agenda
	A discussion on how a formal thank you can be made to WANA volunteers. Agreed that the AGM would be an appropriate time, it will also be an opportunity to confirm What's App Subgroup membership.	
12.	Any Other Business:	
12.1	Asset register- proposal as to whether WANA needs an asset register now there are 2 Defibrillators, the Riverside bench and the assets recently purchased for Company and games. Discussion whether items are depreciated or not. WANA insurance will need to be reviewed.	Draft asset register to be presented at the November meeting
	National Flood Forum- KL has registered for the newsletter and has made an enquiry whether any assistance or advice can be had from the forum. TC advised that membership is costly.	

13.	Items for Next Meeting:	
	6-month review: Sustainability Statement	
	Draft asset register	
14.	Date of Next meeting:	
	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 7.00-8.00pm	
	Witherley Parish Room	
	Apologies received from Roger and Lynne Lainé	

KL closed the meeting at 19.48 and thanked all for attending.