

WOOLAVINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

AGM 2011

Minutes of the AGM for the year ended June 2011 held in the Village Hall, Woolavington on Monday 11th July 2011

Present

Douglas Johnson, Fred Bearryman, Dave Brown, Rita Grafton, June Irvine, Julie Johnson, Graham Lockley, Brenda Lunt, Dick Raymond, Joan Warren, Pam & John Mogridge and 5 residents of Woolavington.

The Meeting was Chaired by Douglas Johnson.

1 Apologies for absence:

Richard Culverhouse, John Ingram, Nicky Pearce and Carolyn Stroud.

2 Minutes of previous AGM.

Agreed.

3 Annual Report (see attached)

4 Treasurer's Report (see attached - separate .pdf file for those on email)

The audited report for year ending 5th April 2011 was presented by Graham Lockley. Graham commented that printing costs were less than last year as no membership cards had been printed. There had been some extra costs with the purchase of Windows 7 software and a laminator but these would not of course be annual costs. Thanks were given to Graham Lockley for his continued work as Treasurer and to Dave Langford for auditing the accounts. It was proposed by Dick Raymond, seconded by Brenda Lunt and agreed by all present that the Accounts should be approved.

5 Election of Officers

As in previous years the Chairman appealed for new people to take on roles with in the Steering Group to help relieve those who had been active in running the organisation for a very long time. Nominations for all positions were requested from co-ordinators but none were forthcoming.

The existing Steering Group of Fred Bearryman, Richard Culverhouse, Douglas Johnson and Graham Lockley, the Secretary June Irvine, and the Treasurer Graham Lockley were prepared to continue. It was proposed by John Hazel (Woolavington resident), seconded by Dick Raymond and approved by all present that the existing Steering Group should continue.

6 Questions from the floor and AOB

None pertaining to the AGM

AGM closed at 7.24pm.

June Irvine
Secretary
07/08/11

Report for the year ending 31st March 2011

- Currently there are 20 co-ordinators covering about half the village.
- Our membership stands at 260 who receive communication by email with a further 140 signed up members who should receive printed copies of these messages.
- 11 WatchOut messages with important crime and security warnings together with 33 Information messages have been sent out this year with 'scams' by post, telephone and email a recurring problem.
- An annual newsletter is sent to every house in October although we may have problems with distribution in the future.
- The Steering Group meets as necessary and there have been 6 bi-monthly meetings that are open to all village residents to attend.
- Occasional articles are published in The Link.
- The coffee morning in November provided enough funding to support Neighbourhood Watch for the year.
- Communication from the Watch Office can be poor and at times we gain more information about local crime from local newspapers.
- PCSOs Lora and Rachel have been the most important crime prevention resource in the Village. Unfortunately Rachel has been moved elsewhere and we wish her good luck in her new 'patch'.
- Although Richard Culverhouse has moved to Bawdrip, he continues to provide vital support for our e-watch service which has now been extended to include Bawdrip. He also attends Steering Group meetings as a co-opted member.
- An on-line survey of the membership was carried out by Graham and Richard. Several issues have been identified which will take a while to sort out. Some of our on-line members did not reply (even after several reminders and hand delivered notes) and therefore it has become obvious that some members without computers are probably not getting messages.
- It has been difficult to find anyone willing to take on the job of writing an article for the LINK magazine or the Polden Post on a regular basis.
- So far it has been impossible to find anyone willing to help the Steering Group with administration or take on any of the offices of Woolavington Neighbourhood Watch.

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MEETING SUMMARY - Monday 11th July 2011

Present

Douglas Johnson (Chairman, Graham Lockley (Treasurer), June Irvine (Secretary), Fred Bearryman, Dave Brown, Rita Grafton, Julie Johnson, Brenda Lunt, Dick Raymond, Joan Warren, Pam & John Mogridge and 5 residents of Woolavington.

1 Apologies

Richard Culverhouse, John Ingram, Nicky Pearce and Carolyn Stroud.

2 Notes of last meeting

These were agreed - any Matters Arising will be dealt with at the next meeting.

3 Co-ordinators Reports

Graham Lockley reported an increase in fly-tipping particularly in Coombe Lane.

An increase in parking on Woolavington Hill was reported, sometimes on the pavement which caused an inconvenience to mobility scooter drivers and people with prams or pushchairs.

Graham will email the PCSOs.

Action: Graham

It was noted that there was no Police or PCSO presence at our AGM this evening.

It was reported that prowlers had been seen around Lockswell during the previous night and Police had attended.

It was reported there had been an accident at the crossroads where Higher Road meets Woolavington Hill which was possibly caused by speeding up the hill.

It was reported that although parking had improved along Higher Road at school start/finish times there were still some problems with parking where there was a dropped curve in spite of this being an offence. It was suggested that residents should write to the school if it is still a problem.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm.

Next meeting: Monday 12th September 2011

June Irvine
Secretary
07/08/11

WOOLAVINGTON VILLAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Notice of Committee meeting

DATE AND TIME: Monday 12th September 2011 at 7.00pm
VENUE: Village Hall, Higher Road, Woolavington.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies**
2. **Summary of last 2 meetings**
3. **Matters Arising**
4. **Crime**
 - a) **Beat Officer's Report**
To receive a brief report on local crime
 - b) **Summary of recent WatchOut messages etc**
 - c) **Co-ordinators' Reports**
To share significant problems/incidents
5. **Finance Report**
To note current balance of funds
6. **Coffee Morning – Saturday 12th November - Note 1.**
To finalise arrangements and decide responsibilities for the following:
 - Neighbourhood Watch Stand*
 - Door*
 - Cake and Produce Stall*
 - Teas*
 - Bric-a-brac*
 - Tombola*
 - Books*
 - Raffle and Prizes*
 - Other Stalls*
 - Room layout*
7. **A.O.B.**

Note 1:

Please could any co-ordinators who are unable to attend this meeting, but are willing to run a stall or help in anyway let me know before 12th September.

To all Co-ordinators
Members of the public are invited.

June Irvine
Secretary
07/08/11