



Great Western Park Residents Association Minutes

Date and Time:	Monday 11 th March 2019 at 7.30pm	
Place:	Pavilion, Boundary Park	
Attendees:	Gareth Clarke - Chairperson – (GC) Jaco Mare – Webmaster Dave Roberts - BPSA Rep – (DR) John Boden – (JB) Hayleigh Gascoigne Sara Medley – Harwell Parish Councillor- (SM) Avianna Laws (AL)	Tammi Williams – (TW) Ian Snowdon – SODC Councillor - (IS) Jack Brooke (DR) Damon Webb? Maria Busz Sara Fiu?

Agenda

Item	Agenda Item
1	Apologies for absence
2	Minutes of previous meeting
3	Actions arising from last meeting
4	Matters Arising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delay in opening Neighbourhood Park and Tennis Courts • Drug Dealing in GWP • Parking around Boundary Park • Safety Concerns reported • Spine road damage
5	Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2050 Plan • Volunteering day • GWP Community Centres and open space management • Harwell News publication
6	Report Back from Officers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GWPR Christmas Event further info • Road safety Project – Meeting updates • Valley Park Poll Result • Activities in Great Western Park 2019
7	Any Other Business

8	Close meeting – date of next meeting: Monday 8 th April 2019
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Item No.	Action/Discussion	Action By
1.	<p>Apologies: Paula Walters – Treasurer Ron Milton-Eldridge (IT Admin) – RME</p>	
2.	<p>Minutes of previous meeting: February Minutes not available to be reviewed at a later date.</p>	
3.	<p>Actions arising from last meeting:</p>	
4.	<p>Matters arising:</p> <p>4.1 Delay in opening Neighbourhood Park and Tennis Courts Some small jobs to be completed. (IS) reported 55 items still to be completed after SODC initial assessment. Request to open carpark, but lines are too close at one end. A suggestion is to make these motor cycle spaces. The council has to inspect and check drainage and other items identified as rectified before it can open. (IS) has been chasing Charlotte Cottonan at SODC/VOWH for better communication.</p> <p>4.2 Drug dealing in GWP Received 3 messages from 3 different residents in past 3 weeks, raising concerns over Drug Dealing, none prior to this. There is currently little intelligence held by the Police, if you see something suspicious then please report it on 101 or 999 if an emergency. Once the Police build up a picture of information they will be able to take decisive action. Also our PCSO is Chris Wyatt has been made aware. The more information the better, time, location and vehicle registration and any descriptions if possible. (GC) to get PCSO to attend RA meeting.</p>	(GC)

	<p>4.3 Parking around Boundary Park Pitches are full of people but sometimes carpark is full up, Paul Costello is trying to reduce impact, but he can't stop legal parking. You can report if your driveway is blocked. Ian Snowdon is trying to get 33 plus 8 overflow Tennis Court parking spaces open which would help. Ian Snowdon has 'No Parking' signs contact him if you would like one. (AL) will provide (GC) with original letters sent to TW about the parking bollards. Taylor Wimpey will be contacted over bollards at Juniper by (GC) since the opposite side of BP has fewer issues without bollards. (DR) talk to Paul Costello at Boundary Park committee meeting about further measures for improvement.</p> <p>4.4 Safety Concerns reported A loose board near Candy Tuft was reported by a resident to TW, who took action very quickly to temporarily make safe. (GC) Confirmed with TW that the issue is now corrected. The number to report such safety issues to TW is 01235 541971 and on the GWPR Residents FAQ.</p> <p>4.5 Spine road damage Resident Richard Alldred reported damage to spine road around manholes to TW. TW stated that manhole covers had been replaced, (to stop metal on metal traffic noise) and the Tarmac damaged in the process. TW says the road may require to be resurfaced and are looking into less disruptive solutions.</p>	(AL) (GC) (DR)
5.	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>5.1 2050 Plan Oxfordshire Plan 2050 team, please look at the information on the plan and current consultation, which closes on 25 March 2019. https://oxfordshireplan.org/ for more info. This is an interesting long range plan and you can win £50 in vouchers for participating</p> <p>5.2 Volunteering Day South and Vale voluntary community sector conference 2019 is on March 13th 9:15 to 16:15. If you can then please attend and it will require booking. (GC) is planning on attending to represent the GWPR.</p> <p>5.3 GWP Community Centres and open space management</p>	(GC) (GC)

	<p>This is for the District and Southern community centres. The District the large part built building opposite Asda and adjacent to the Station Gardens. GC has corresponded with Donna Pentelow at SODC/VOWH, and arranged a meeting for 27th March but she may not responsible for all. (IS) and (SM) offered to also attend if required.</p> <p>There was a survey carried out by SODC on how residents wanted these run, but no feedback on this. It does seem likely these will be council run from other sources. The Northern centre is SODC, District & Southern are VOWH. The Harwell community centre is a good example to follow. Seating is easy to use and put book and the booking system is good. This should be emulated.</p> <p>5.4 Harwell News Publication</p> <p>Articles can be submitted free, adverts are paid. (GC) is trying to link the Magazine to the GWPRA and will work with (SM) on this, the magazine is hard copy delivered to Harwell residents at Harwell Parish cost. It is available online to those GWP Residents who live in SODC. https://www.harwellparish.co.uk/harwell-news/</p> <p>Please send articles/posters/advertisements for possible inclusion to harwellnews@outlook.com</p>	
6.	<p>Report back from officers</p> <p>6.1 GWPRA Christmas Event 2018 – Further info</p> <p>Income at the door was £114.96.</p> <p>£77 was raised by the Xmas raffle and now there is nearly enough for the Southern Centre Defibrillator. There was a suggestion to see if this could be acquired and installed by the primary school prior to the Southern Community centre completion. (GC) to ask Aureus primary on feasibility.</p> <p>It had been said that the 166 houses in the sheep field was going to provide another defibrillator for Northern GWP residents. (IS) will verify this.</p> <p>6.2 Road Safety Project</p> <p>There are 3 crossing points to be proposed, however these are not pelican crossings with lights and likely zebra crossings. Currently there is no traffic calming proposed to accompany the crossings. This is a big concern to all Residents, given the speed data, particularly near Boundary Park. The proposed locations are likely to be opposite NNCC, by tennis courts and Health centre (proposed).</p> <p>The Northern area around red kite way is too dangerous to install</p>	(GC) (IS)

	<p>a crossing due to visibility by design. There is talk of a lighted smiley face to help slow the traffic to enable safer crossing.</p> <p>The County council do not like speed bumps as it is on a bus routes. 20MPH sigs on bins have helped to reduce speed by a small percentage. TW are keen to avert any accidents and don't want bad publicity over any deaths. The County Council seem less keen to admit the road design is fundamentally flawed and make any remedial changes prior to death.</p> <p>GWP Equipment is being used to re-evaluate the crossing locations, given the implementation of the painted 20mph on the road, which seem to have provided benefit.</p> <p>Full traffic date overview available at www.gwpra.org.uk</p> <p>6.3Valley Park Poll result</p> <p>83 percent of the 69 residents who responded to poll said that GWPRA should include Valley Park residents, but we would need to find a representative early on. Agreed to create a committee post dedicated to this role and perhaps some others to build up GWP capability and resilience for taking on more work.</p> <p>6.4 Activities in Great Western Park 2019</p> <p>29th July to 4th August 2019, a week of low of no cost activities for everyone. Kite making, Theatre workshop, Carnivals and many more. Details on Eventbrite released soon, more information at https://www.facebook.com/activitiesingwp/</p> <p>Anyone wishing to assist or sponsor please contact Mark Bodeker : markbodeker@gwpchurch.org.uk</p>	
7.	<p>AOB:</p> <p>7.1 Litter</p> <p>(TW) had sent an invite for litter picking on Facebook for 24th March 2019 14:30. (IS) had said if there were any area where piles of Rubbish that were attracting rats then he could get these cleared up by the council. Any faults that are reported on the estate Taylor Wimpey / Council will get fixed.</p> <p>7.2 Money/Environment saving tips</p> <p>(JB) Shared two tips. You can buy the old Roll up tobacco size Tin</p>	

	<p>with lid cheaply, line it with Aluminium foil turning it into a 'Faraday Cage' and store car keys in it so a thief cannot use a scanner to boost the signal and steal your car. Secondly We can replace cling film by using linen, beeswax and a drop of Jobo oil to make a reusable breathable covering for keeping Cheese fresh. He is happy to advise anyone interested.</p>	
8.	<p>Close meeting. The meeting was closed at 9.00pm.</p> <p>Next meeting: Monday 8th April 2019 at 7.30pm, Boundary Park Pavilion.</p>	