**Warren Wood Residents Association**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

Wednesday 18th May 2016 – Quakers Meeting House

**Present**

**Committee** Abbie McMahon, Celia Darrington, Pete Edwards (Chairman), Duncan Coupland (Treasurer), Michael Chilvers, John Fowler, Sally Hall & Sharon King.

17 Residents

**Apologies** from Ray & Lyn Cook, Su Brar & Elaine Carr

Pete welcomed all to 39th AGM with a Quaker Code of advice and special welcome to guest speaker and resident Mike Doel for a talk on ‘Magic Rocks’ and Julia Wassell (County Councillor) for a Q&A on local issues.

**Minutes of last AGM held on 15 July 2015**

These were circulated and accepted as a true record of the meeting. Proposed by Norman Ball and Seconded by Ian Hall

**Matters Arising from the Last Meeting**

There were no matters arising from the last meeting

**Chairman’s Report**

Pete presented his report giving a comprehensive review of the years’ activities by the Association. The report was circulated at the meeting. There were no comments arising. Julia Wassell was given special acknowledgement for her support in the road resurfacing and the parking restrictions on corner by Keep Hill.

**Treasurers Report**

Duncan presented his report and accounts audited by Graham. Duncan’s proposal to increase the membership fee to £10 was unanimously accepted. The accounts, report and new membership fee were approved by the meeting. Proposed by Mike White and Seconded by Inder Brar.

Duncan is current compiling and up-to-date list of members and contact details. An issue over public liability and its impact on costs for events was raised for resolution by the Committee.

**Election of Officers and the Committee**

No new nominations for election had been received prior to the meeting so the committee and all the existing officers and committee were prepared to stand for re-election, leaving the secretary’s role vacant. The meeting agreed to this re-election on block and gave the Committee their vote of confidence.Proposed by Norman Ball and Seconded by Alison Cicin-Sain

**Neighbourhood Watch Report**

The report was circulated by Ray Cook and presented by Ian Hall. In summary, it was a good year with few problems. Residents were recommended to park their cars on drives. Two more co-ordinations are still required and Ian described the co-ordinations role and asked volunteers to contact Ray or Ian. Derrick mentioned cars with no road tax being clamped by Police. This met with approval. Ian was thanked for presenting the report and fielding the discussion.

**Q&A**

There was a general discussion concerning Public Liability at our events. It was unanimous that WWRA could not ignore health and safety issues but would not accept public liability for accidents during events. Trevor Flower suggested small print be attached to all fliers to say that events are attended at own risk (or something similar for the Committee to draft with legal advice). Trevor’s proposal was seconded by Inder Brar.

Tradesman's list is out of date & needs updating. Committee to co-ordinate.

Mike Wiltshire enquired about the route of cycle paths from Abbey Barn.  Sharon referred to page 6 of the new plans showing improvements to existing paths and some new paths through towards the decommissioned ski centre. There may be some lighting along paths that may meet with opposition. Sharon mentioned responding to Abbey Barn Developments by 24 May and new proposals for Ski Slope area. Julia understands there is a proposed circular heritage walk.

Lyn Whiting mentioned 24/7 lighting on the Sports Lido and car park. Julia will investigate the issue over light pollution at the Lido

**Update on Local Issues by Julia Wassell**

Pete welcomed Julia Wassell and moved a vote of thanks for her supporting WWR interests, especially the road resurfacing and yellow lines to prevent parking on the blind corner where WW Drive and Keep Hill Rd meet.

Roads. Julia reported five other roads closely were also resurfaced together with proposed parking restrictions. There were objections by residents to parking restrictions on Chestnut Avenue so some restrictions were removed.

Rye. Boat House Cafe development improvements planned. Position of rubbish and dog bins around the Rye to be reviewed and improved.  Notice Boards are usually approved.

Buckinghamshire councils plan to submit proposals for two unitary authorities, for north and south Bucks to make cost savings. There may be opportunities within these changes for new parishes. Rye Mead could be a parish. If not Warren Wood and Bassetsbury could be incorporated into a 2nd Tier Wycombe Council.

Wycombe A&E no change.  Ward 5B (for the elderly) is going to closed. Trevor Flower complained about a declining level of service in rubbish collections. Lyn Whiting told the meeting that the Boat Cafe has planning application for new toilets. Sharon queried old railway line as a new cycle way for the London Road northwards. More general discussion about London Road congestion. Jenny Wiltshire the future of the car wash in Homebase.

**Closing the AGM**

Pete thanked all attendees, Julia Wassell and the Committee before closing the AGM and opening the refreshments and introducing our Guest Speaker.

**Guest Speaker - Mike Doel on ‘The Magic Rocks’** a fascinating talk and demonstration on how different elements and crystals fluoresce under different light conditions (wavelength).