



Longbarn Residents Association

Representing: Anderson Close, Blackburne Close, Burnet Close, Carpenter Grove, Church View, Duckworth Close, Freshfields Drive, Fallowfield Close, Guildford Close, Lovage Close, Mayberry Grove, Mullion Grove, Oxmead Close, Pasture Lane, Peasley Close, Saffron Close, Sage Close, Sorrell Close, Station Road South and West View

Registered Charity – 1170309

Minutes of the Meeting held on

Thursday 10th August 2017 at 7:30 pm in Padgate Village Club.

Present (32): Dave & Pat Allen, Michaela Bowden, Jack Buonanducci, Peter & Margaret Clare, Bob & Pat Colquhoun, Rosa Dale, Colin Edmondson, Vinny & Paul Harrison, John Hill, Howard Klein, Dermott & Linda Lappin, Margaret Mackenzie, Amanda Maycock, Bob & Sue McLaughlin, Bob Millington, Geoff & Wendy Orange, David Pearson, Jim Smith, Sam Starkey, Brian Swan, Pat Taylor, Pam Tyler, Jane Vance, Natalie Vance,

Apologies (12): Lynn Coulter-Howard, Graham Eddy, Sid & Mary Charlton, John & Janet Melia, Councillors D. Bennett & G. Friend, Ron Westwood, Sheila Westwood, Tony Murphy, Raj Asani.

Visitors (3): Maria Austin. NHS Clinical Commissioning Group, PCSO Jeremy King, Councillor Russell Purnell.

| Agenda Discussion | Outcome/Action to Be Taken |
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| Meeting commenced: 7.40 PM | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="256 1420 1158 1487">1. <u>Introductions</u> – Geoff Orange (GO) welcomed the above listed visitors and Apologies are also listed above<li data-bbox="256 1487 1158 1592">2. <u>Minutes</u> - GO encouraged residents to visit our website where the Minutes of the meetings can be found along with other News, Events, Dates and Projects etc.,<li data-bbox="256 1592 1158 1771">3. <u>Administration</u> – It is important that communication/contact with Longbarn Residents is made easier by keeping and updating their details, especially mobile phone numbers. To comply with the strict Data Protection Act, - none of these details are published or sold to 3rd parties etc.,<li data-bbox="256 1771 1158 2018">4. <u>Maria Austin</u> – The recent Election has disrupted the program of engagement but changes have been made to the Stroke Services delivered to Warrington Hospital (WH). Due to extreme shortages of Stroke Consultants, (WH) has now only one (1) Consultant available so patients requiring the life-saving medication ‘Thrombolysis’ will be taken to Whiston Hospital and returned to WH for recovery and rehab. Questions about visitors parking at Whiston are being looked | <p data-bbox="1171 1487 1458 1518">www.longbarnra.co.uk</p> <p data-bbox="1171 1630 1358 1697">for contact and economy</p> <p data-bbox="1171 1845 1358 1877">Stroke Services</p> |

into.

Consultations between Cheshire and Merseyside on new policies on Procedures of Limited Clinical Value have begun, there are over 100 procedures so things like cosmetic surgery are being considered as to whether they are affordable.

The Consultation on 'over the counter medications' has proved to be very successful saving thousands of pounds. Phase 1 is now running nationally and Maria tells us that Phase 2 has begun. Phase 1 includes medicines like Paracetamol, Ibuprofen are cheaper to buy over the counter and Phase 2 would include things like head lice treatments, travel vaccinations and gluten free products.

Consultations regarding medications

5. **PCSO Jeremy King** - apologized for not attending our last 2 meetings.

He reported 1 incident of theft and 1 criminal damage but has had more ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour) calls. There have been several incidents concerning Motorbikes and Quad bikes especially around Bennett's rec, up and down Harpers Road and Paddington Meadows (off Manchester Road). At present the Police are struggling to find the owners and can only seize the bikes if they have no insurance. A recent incident concerning the quad bikes almost caused serious injury or worse to a couple of our residents. Evidence of where these bikes are repaired and the local school CCTV has not yet produced the culprits. Although the Police have Air Support and give chase they must avoid scenarios where the public become victims as the bikes are often taken 'off road'. The investigation is still ongoing.

Police Report

6. **Sub-Committee Reports** -

Greencore – **David Pearson** – Six incidents of strong garlic and onion odours which lasted around 20/30 mins were reported to the Factory/Environment Agency. A presentation by Greencore Management was given at our last meeting and assurances that The Odour abatement system should be in place by September and completion of Phase 2 by the end of the year. We continue to have a close relationship with the Management of Greencore and as always please report any odour issues to either the factory site on 01925 825196 or the Environment Agency (24hr) 0800 807060

Greencore

Social Housing – **Lynn Coulter-Howard** – A recent meeting with Emma Robinson and Chris Povey from Muir Housing produced numerous issues reported by residents. Muir are keen to work with LRA to resolve matters but funds are limited. As always Health and Safety issues will take priority. Muir have agreed to meet again before making any decision on where available funds will be used. More information as and when available at future meetings. Lynn has not been approached about any issues concerning Warrington Housing Association or Golden Gates Housing at this time.

Social Housing

Social – **Ann Sudlow** - We have several items on the Social Agenda and all are listed below beginning with the trip to Southport on the 16th August. If anyone has any ideas about days out or anything else you can contact any member of the Committee or leave a suggestion in the new 'box' outside Raj's shop. All information is posted on the

Social Activities

website www.longbarnra.co.uk and on noticeboards at the Shop and Padgate Village club.

Land Trust and NCA - Geoff Orange We are awaiting the next meeting with the Land Trust to discuss Tree and Hedge maintenance together with Land Ownership. Recently the Land Trust have put up a fence (at their expense) at the corner of Burnet Close to deter cyclists from riding across the grassed area which had become unkempt and was, in fact, a road safety hazard. An inspection of the 'Christmas Tree' on Harpers Road has revealed that it is struggling to get established and the Land Trust have promised technical help to ensure that, if required, treatment will be available.

WBC – Dermott Lappin – We are involving our local MP in traffic and parking issues and a meeting will be held shortly with Helen Jones MP. The re-organisation of the Area Boards has meant that once again we find ourselves in the East Area where our representative has been excluded from further Area Board Meetings. Only Councillors are to attend. The amount of funding available for application has been reduced from £5000 to £3000 and the Community Chest Fund has been abolished. A meeting has been arranged with the Manager of the East Area of WBC on Thursday 10th August. We will report back on what we have achieved.

7. **Treasurer's Report - Dermott Lappin** - reported that the Accounts are healthy and that some monies are earmarked for upcoming events etc., DL invited all residents to question and inspect the accounts should they wish to do so. Every other Friday afternoon there is a Sedentary Exercise class and costs £3 per session, all are welcome.
8. **Meeting with 3 Local Councillors** - We are meeting our local councillors on the 15th August to discuss issues that we find difficult to get help with or a response from WBC.
9. **Letters to Helen Jones MP and Councillor Tony Higgins (Executive Board Member for Leisure, Community & Culture – WBC)** - We have arranged to meet Helen Jones MP in the near future but we have not yet received a reply from Tony Higgins after 5 letters have been sent to him. We would question his spending £90,000 on a Sankey Bridges Play Area and more on Orford Lane brick field. We have approached Prof. S. Broomhead who says he has no authority to get Tony Higgins to respond.
10. **Scarecrow Competition - GO** - We have not had a great response for this year's competition but there's still time. This year's theme is "The Best of British" Please ask GO for application forms. Prizes given to winners at the AGM on September 21st, 2017.
11. **Sunflower Competition** – Measuring and photographs are being taken of the sunflowers around the estate. Up to now reports of a 15ft giant has been sited.
12. **Next Quiz Night** - to be held on Friday 25th August 2017 – tickets are available from the Treasurer at £5 per person. Includes buffet.
13. **Social Activities** – 29th September 2017 – an evening with Singer & Hot and Cold Buffet included – Tickets £5 from the Treasurer.

Land Trust

Warrington Borough Council

Treasurer's Report

Meeting with Councillors

Meeting with Helen Jones MP

Scarecrow Competition

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14. **Coach Trip - Conwy/Llandudno** – 3rd September 2017 leave PVC at 8.30 a.m.
15. **Family Coach Trip – Southport** – Wednesday 16th August. Leave PVC at 9a.m.
16. **Litter pick** - Saturday 19th August 2017 10.30a.m. Pasture Lane Shop – pickers, bags and high-viz jackets available.
17. **Padgate Station – Bob McLaughlin** - Update on progress can be found on the Longbarnra website and as follows

Coach Trip

Children's Coach trip

Litter Pick

ARTWORK

The artwork for the station windows is progressing nicely now & we anticipate completion in approx. 3 weeks

On completion & installation we are planning to have an “unveiling”. All LRA will be invited, from Northern Rail there will be Vicky Cropper (Northern Rail Community & Sustainability Manager) along with Martin Yallop from Acorp. They will bring with them their press relations people to cover the day

We will be looking to host a small celebration event in PVC with a finger buffet and obviously drinks will be available from the bar.

MOSAIC

The mosaic for the side of the station has had the children’s design approved and will be similar to the graphic below: -



As the school is on summer holidays there will be no movement on it until next term starts again

STATION BUILDING

Refurbishment of the station is in hand although as Northern Rail is on a “Summer Break” we will have no news until September.

TREES

The trees surrounding the car park car-park, we are still waiting for Carillion to start work, in the past Carillion worked on all the Northern Rail stations as a matter of course, things have changed & now Northern Rail contract out work to them on an individual order basis. Vicky is chasing up the order to have the work carried out.

OLD EASTBOUND WAITING ROOM

The demolition of the old derelict waiting room & the replacement with a new shelter is in the 2018 budget for Northern Rail

PLATFORMS

The platform edges are to be painted either White or Yellow to show a distinct edge to the platforms to enhance safety; this has been scheduled to take place as soon as possible.

Padgate Station update

Full report on www.longbarnra.co.uk

PLANTERS

The large planters are now resplendent & in full bloom, it would appear that even when idiots pull the plants out, other members of the travelling public replace them back in the planters!!

TIMETABLE

We along with a senior member of Northern Rail asked for the possibility of an enhanced service at the station for two trains per hour rather than the one per hour each way we have at the moment could be implemented going forward, Northern Rail promised to look into it, however we didn't realise that it would mean altering the timetables from Liverpool at every station to Scarborough, Norwich & Manchester Airport would also need to be altered, a mammoth task, so we will just have to see if it is feasible going forward

Bob McLaughlin
10/08/2017.

18. **Afternoon Tea** – next dates for this event 18th August and 1st and 5th September 2017. Suggestions are welcomed for other activities to take place and a box has been erected outside Raj's Shop.

Afternoon Tea

19. **Sedentary Exercise Classes** - 25th August and 8th September with Daniel Wright (a local resident) costing £3, tea and biscuits are provided.

Exercise Class

20. **Advance Notice – Fireworks Display** -3rd November 2017 **Christmas Lights and Carols** 1st December – **Social Evening** - Tall Paul Dillon 15th December and **Children's Christmas Party** - 17th December 2p.m. £2 per child ages from 4 to 10 yrs.

For your diary

21. **A.O.B** - 21st September **AGM**

The Meeting closed: 9.10 pm