

LONGBARN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Registered Charity No. 1170309

Minutes of the Meeting held on

Thursday 11th November 2021 at 7:30 pm in Padgate Village Club.

<u>Present (21):</u> Paul Adams, Rosa Dale, Vinnie & Paul Harrison, Geoff & Wendy Orange, Sue & Bob McLaughlin, John Hill, Brian & Denise Walton, Sid & Marjorie Charlton, Helen Broderick, David Pearson, Pat & Bob Colquhoun, Howard Klein, Flo Wright, Ron & Sheila Westwood

<u>Apologies (7):</u> Nicola Taylor, Lynn Coulter Howard, Tony Murphy, Shirley Edwards, Dave & Pat Allen, John Melia,

Visitors (0):

	Agenda Discussion	Outcome/Action to Be Taken
Meetin	g commenced: 7.35 PM	
<u>1.</u>	Introductions & Welcomes— Geoff Orange (GO) welcomed everybody, and Apologies are listed above. Geoff began by thanking all the volunteers for their hard work and participation in helping to make the Firework Extravaganza such an enormous success. Geoff reported that it had been LRA's best display yet with record crowds and made on the night £2,558.45 with special thanks to Helen Broderick who alone collected more than £1000 on the	Firework Extravaganza results
<u>2.</u> 3.	Minutes— Minutes are from our last Residents Meeting which was held on 30 th September 2021 and are on the website. Residents are encouraged to visit our website where the Minutes of the meetings can be found along with other News, Events, Dates and Projects etc., Matters Arising There were no matters arising.	www.longbarnra.co.uk
_	Police Report – POLICE REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING SEPTEMBER	
<u>4.</u>	2021 ~ POULTON NORTH WARD (PROVIDED BY PCSO NEIL POTTER) In total there have been 138 incidents recorded across Poulton North Ward, most issues reported are from the three housing association estates surrounding Hilden Road and Insall Road	Positive Police Action Recorded incidents
<u>5.</u>	Police Activity in Longbarn – Assault involving Kassia Academy. After the incident the Police put several measures in place to support both the school and the residents of the area – Fallowfield Grove and the surrounding area was made our 'Street of the Week.' This meant an increased police presence in the area with regular daily patrols that were posted on our social media page. The Police also completed a Residents Voice survey which allows us	Patrols 'Kassia Academy'

to access ongoing issues in the area which are reported to us anonymously through the survey. The results of this survey can, however, take a few weeks to process but once they are, they will be acting upon any findings they reveal.

PCSO Potter has been making regular visits to the school both at opening and closing times. PC Mel Marsh Croft has also done a presentation to the pupils of the school along with the Complex Youths Department having regular involvement.

We will continue to collaborate with the school & our partners to develop a strong and successful working relationship.

- 6. Reports of suspicious behaviour in Longbarn Park Whilst we will always encourage the public to be vigilant of their surroundings, we understand that his caused some alarm. In view of this the Police took positive action and will continue to do so. Regular foot patrols on an almost daily basis is conducted on the park and now we are moving into the early nights we will also be patrolling in the evenings, so if you see a bright torch, please don't be alarmed as it is highly likely to be us.
- 7. Financial Report Accounts for the 10 months to 30th September have been received and approved by the Management Committee and shared with residents attending this meeting. A Total of £3805 was recently banked from the Fireworks display and the CO-OP Community Fund. New equipment has been purchased i.e., Projector the best price for this item was at a cost of £320, considerably less than at the local 'Giant' Office supplier.
- 8. Speed Indication Devices SID's These cannot be purchased by LRA; however, our local Parish Council has one, which is deployed around our local area. Currently it is on Blackbrook Avenue. The Police will install this device along Harpers Road soon. If this is effective, once the Police have collated the information, it may be possible that we have a device installed along Harpers Road on a more permanent basis.

Residents questioned 'How come we don't operate a 20-mph zone along Harpers Road or have traffic calming'. One reason is that there are no houses along Harpers Road which face the road, the other is that WBC's Mark Tune refused as he says, after looking at the collision numbers on Harpers Road, it doesn't warrant it.

9. Illicit parking in Longbarn - GO had written to the Director General of NCA (Lynn Owens) which resulted in a morning meeting on Burnet Close with The National Crime Agency (NCA) Craig Naylor and GO, BMcL and Richard Robinson Those parked along Burnet Close, Blackburn Close, and even Sage Close are not actually committing any road traffic offence. This behaviour is just a nuisance; however, it does mean that it could be difficult for emergency services to attend properties in these areas. The General Manager of NCA did report back and consequently, by the afternoon, several of the cars had been removed. NCA advised that we inform the Police, however, they will do nothing as no offence has been committed. It is now against the law to park on the pavement. BMcL reported that 3 parking tickets were issued in Burnet Close for parking illegally at the junctions with Sage Close and Christmas Close, 2 in Blackburn

Survey results soon

Longbarn Park

Financial Report

Speed on Harpers Road

Illicit Parking

NCA Manager helpful

Close and 1 on Station Road by the Padgate Village Club (parent dropping off child for school). Hopefully, this will be a further deterrent, especially in this area. GO has emailed WBC Chief Executive, Professor Steven Broomhead, who has replied that WBC will do all it can to help with this. No response yet from the Local MP or Local Councillors.

Craig Naylor at the NCA has informed us that the workforce at NCA is currently 1200 which was quite a surprise. No wonder we are having problems with increased parking. Whilst they will be purchasing another building on the same site, this will only give them a further 200 car parking spaces to add to the 300 they have already.

10. Social Events

booked.

Afternoon Tea - 19th November at 2pm and fortnightly thereafter Sedentary Exercise Classes - 26th November at 2.15pm and fortnightly thereafter

Footloose in Longbarn- Classes – every Tuesday at 1pm
Quiz Night – 19th December 2021 - tickets £6 includes refreshments
Trips - Next trip to York Market on 5th December - Full
Christmas Lights – 3rd December – Lights switch on and Carols from
6pm. With The D'Ukes of Longbarn and Richard Robinson.
Adult Christmas Party - 10th December – 7.30 for 8pm Tickets £6 –
full Christmas Fayre. Johnny Corrigan comedy vocalist has been

Children's' Christmas Party – 19th December (12.30 to 2.30pm) Kevin the Klown and Father Christmas – Tickets £5 – Age 3-10- FULL

- 11. <u>Litter Picks Meet at 10.30 at Raj's Shop Hi Viz jackets and equipment provided.</u> From Jan 2022 it will be held on the last Saturday of every month. As some residents' litter pick at other times, it was suggested that a photo be taken of their efforts which can be posted on our Social Media page. Litter Picking is now part of the Nursery's curriculum every Friday with about 6 children being fully supervised (and with their parents' permission).
- 12. A.O.B. Following further negotiations and an effective petition suggested by Rosa Dale, Warrington Housing Association have now agreed to a BUS SHELTER being erected at Guildford Close Bus Stop. However, due to restrictions concerning Gas and Electricity and mature trees it will not be possible to erect a Bus Shelter at the Doctors Surgery on Station Road South.

P.V.C's electronic organ is to be given free of charge to anyone who wants it, but collection must be arranged.

Next Residents Meeting 20th January 2022

As with all our activities – To the best of our ability LRA will take as much care as possible to maintain a safe environment for our members. But we must let our Residents decide whether they wish to take part in our activities and take any necessary precautions to keep themselves safe.

The Meeting closed 8.25 pm

Parking tickets issued

Afternoon Tea Exercise Classes

Footloose Quiz Night

Christmas Carols and Lights switch on Adult Christmas Party

Children's' Party

Litter Picks – date change

Bus Shelter at Guildford Close

Electronic organ

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