

WIGSTON CIVIC SOCIETY

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 9 May 2018 at Age UK Oadby and Wigston, Paddock Street, Wigston

There were 21 members and 10 guests present who enjoyed light refreshments before the meeting.

1. Welcome

The Secretary welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the programme for the evening.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from: May Hilton, Gaynor Johnson and Mike Forryan.

3. Approval of minutes of the 2017 AGM

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 May 2017 were read by the Secretary. It was proposed by John Woodward and seconded by Maureen Waugh and agreed that they be approved and signed.

4. Matters Arising

It was reported that:

Although recycling had changed to all recycling in one clear bag from 1 April 2018, the whole issue of waste collection was again under consideration with the likelihood of the clear bags being changed to bins in the near future.

The display by shops of goods on pavements, especially in relation to a shop in Bell Street, had been dealt with by an enforcement order issued by a Local Authority.

The position with J Hoots chemist in South Wigston had not changed.

There had been successes during the year when out of date road signs had been reported to the County.

5. Annual Report

The Chairman read his comprehensive report on the activities of the committee in its area of operation during the last year. This is attached. In addition the Chairman mentioned the road names for the Newton Lane estate which were all taken from suggestions made by the Society and the Historical Society. The entry road into the estate is to be named Ada Wright Way, Ada being the wife of Orson Wright.

6. Treasurer's report for 2017/18 and subscriptions for 2019

The Treasurer tabled the accounts for 2017/18, which are attached. The Secretary read out the Treasurer's report which is attached. The accounts had been examined. It was proposed by Yvonne Woodward and seconded by Colin Hames that the accounts be accepted. This was agreed.

The Committee proposed that subscriptions be increased from the 2018 level of £9.00 to £10.00 from 1 May 2019. This was in an effort to continue to stabilise the Society's financial footing. Junior subscriptions would therefore be £5.00.

It was proposed by John Woodward and seconded by Roy Hughes and agreed that the subscriptions be increased in accordance with the Committee's proposal.

7. Election of officers and committee members

The Secretary announced that:

All existing officers and Committee members had agreed to continue in office.

It was proposed by John Woodward and seconded by Sue Towell that the Officers and Committee members be re-elected en bloc. This was agreed.

8 Any Other Business

Members were advised that a past Treasurer of the Society, Doreen Pollock, passed away on 7 April 2018. Her husband, Jim Pollock, a past chairman had died earlier.

A quiz especially prepared by Brenda Kind in celebration of the Society's 40th anniversary was now on sale at £1 per entry.

The final concert of the season will be given by the Oadby and Wigston Civic Orchestra on 2 June at 7.30pm at Wigston College (Guthlaxton).

As agreed by the Committee, a contribution of £50 towards the costs of refurbishing the Pinfold will be made by the Society in 2018.

Members were asked to ensure that they return their forms regarding GDPR.

The Secretary added to the information given by the Chairman regarding the 40th Anniversary reception on Saturday 13 October. It will be held in the main hall here at Age UK from 3pm to 5pm. The guest speaker will be Stuart Bailey, Chair of Leicester Civic Society. Invitations are to follow. It is hoped that the Mayor will be present.

The Formal meeting was then closed.

Certificates of Commendation

Certificates were presented by the Chairman to:

Charlene McLeavy, manager at Heathcotes Magna, for the new build house in the grounds of the former All Saints Vicarage. (a certificate had been previously presented to Heathcotes for the Vicarage conversion in 2014).

Derek and Lorraine Fitzpatrick for the refurbishment of the house at 82 Moat Street.

Presentation

An illustrated presentation on 'ancient track ways and roads and the Mere Track' was given by Mike Bates.

The Committee is therefore as follows:

Officers

Chair	Peter Cousins
Vice Chair	Maureen Waugh
Secretary	Colin Towell
Treasurer	Val Beesley
Membership Secretary	Val Beesley
Minute Secretary	Vacant
Wigstons' Voice Editor	Peter Cousins
Web master	Peter Cousins
Events and Publicity	Nicola Alexander
Examiner	Peter Holmes

Members

Colin Hames
Roy Hughes
John Woodward
Yvonne Woodward