

## Wonersh Park Association

### Minutes of the 49<sup>th</sup> General Meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at the Memorial Hall

#### Welcome

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the 22 residents, 5 Committee members and 2 Guests present. He announced that the committee had decided to hold the General Meeting on a biennial basis, as the website ([www.wonershpark.co.uk](http://www.wonershpark.co.uk)) was now active and the turn out for General Meetings continued to only represent some 15% of the Park. A show of hands showed that ca. 50% of those present would like to retain Annual meetings; this will be kept under review.

#### Treasurers Report – Julian Cathrew

As of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016 the cash balance carried forward was £5480, an increase of £342 over the previous year. The main spend is on the gardeners, currently at £250 per month, who appear to be doing a good job. He proposed that the annual subscription for each household be retained at £40 per annum.

Residents are asked to pay by standing order if possible, as follows:

Lloyds Godalming  
Sort code: 30-93-49  
Account name: Wonersh Park Association  
Account number: 00177956

Please include your name and house name as reference.

Tree branches have again been dumped on the Grantley Av/Drive island – please can people ask their gardeners not to do this.

#### Presentation by PC Philip Snow

Phil Snow kindly attended to update us on policing issues, as follows:

- Reported crime in Wonersh has reduced 35% (from 2015 to 16) but increased in Shamley Green
- Wonersh Park made seven 101 calls in 2016, covering suspicious vehicles, cold callers, alarm, theft and bats
- 3 crimes were investigated in the Park – a household entry burglary, theft of Yorkstone and Bats disturbed by a contractor
- Online Scam crime is on the rise – Phil Snow has left some guidance leaflets, which will be put in the village shop. Call 0345 04 05 06 for further advice
- A spate of burglary crimes has recently been reported in Waverley

- Waverley has introduced a 'Whats happening in Waverley' website ([www.intheknow.community](http://www.intheknow.community)) which residents can sign up to receive info on witness appeals, crime prevention, advice and news.

PC Snow suggested the following to reduce theft risk:

1. Secure side and rear doors and access gates
2. Fit an Alarm
3. A Dog and warning sign.

In response to a question on drones invading your household airspace, the advice is call 101.

In response to a question on traffic speeding through the village, it transpires that the flashing speed sign only works intermittently as it is solar powered (it runs out of power if triggered too much!). In addition the resident speed monitoring teams are no longer functioning, as there is no volunteer coordinator and the camera is lost. Anyone who wishes to volunteer is asked to contact the Parish Clerk. PC Snow will however ask the police to undertake speed checks again.

### **Discussion on local Parish Issues**

Chris Crouch, one of our Womersh Parish Councilors, kindly took questions and majored on 2 aspects:

1. The Dunsfold airfield application to build 1800+ houses will now be considered by the Planning Inspector starting on 18<sup>th</sup> July. The '11 Villages protest group', including Womersh, who are especially impacted by the additional traffic congestion and pollution, has retained a QC and Planning Consultant to help fight the development. Additional donations are needed to help fund this and residents wishing to donate are asked to contact Michael Sutcliffe at [michael.r.sutcliffe@gmail.com](mailto:michael.r.sutcliffe@gmail.com)
2. "The Vision for Womersh" project is being sponsored by the Parish council, to make proposals on improving traffic flow, parking, pedestrian crossing points and the visual outlook of the village centre. Proposals will soon be posted on the Parish website ([www.womershparish.org](http://www.womershparish.org)) and residents are invited to comment.

### **Election of Committee**

All members of the Committee have kindly agreed to continue in office.

The election of the Committee en block was proposed and the Committee members are confirmed as:

Mellersh Hill Road (North) - Pauline Hawkins  
 Mellersh Hill Road (South) - Graham Oliver  
 The Drive (North) - Pam Jackman

The Drive (South)	- Susan Millard
Grantley Avenue	- Ann Dorrian
Hill Close	- David Sharpe
Bracken Close	- Claire Gumpel
Treasurer	- Julian Cathrew
Chair	- Anthony Shutes

### **Any Other Business**

- Social Media: A number of residents are showing interest in a social media platform (perhaps WhatsApp?) to share information and possibly arrange social meetings. Lucy Shutes, Nick Gray and Marion Bird agreed to test some ideas.
- 20 mph signs: This has been investigated previously and voted down by the Meeting, as it involved adding road signs every 20 metres(?) and a large sign at the Park entrance warning people the speed limit had been changed. The police had also done speed checks and generally found it was residents who were speeding. The Chair agreed to revisit and see if the same issues arise.
- CCTV at Park entrance: This has also been investigated previously and rejected by the Meeting as too expensive. The Chair agreed to re investigate and see if a lower cost approach could be used.

The meeting finished at 9.30 pm.