

LANE HEAD SOUTH RESIDENTS' GROUP

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 20th APRIL 2015

PRESENT: A.Lowe (Chairman), G.Dickinson, J.Bate, A.Woodcock, D.Walkden, J.Moulden, C.Waddington, G&K Houlton, E.Thwaite (LENDF), C.Lowe, L.Bagshaw, C.Johnson, R.Poulton, J.Adamson, L.Nixon, P.Astles, H&M Cooper, Councillors Grundy and Houlton
Apologies: D.Eubank, S.Spibey, J.Woodcock, I.Thomson (LENDF), K.Johnson, J.Lythgoe

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the AGM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of the AGM held on 28th April 2014 which had previously been circulated were agreed as a true record.

ANNUAL REPORT:

St. Catherine's Church: During the past year we have learned that St. Catherine's Church is to be demolished along with all ancillary buildings, but as yet no start date has been given for the demolition.

Winwick Lane: De-priming continues to be problematic, with the three Councils not wanting to commit. At the last meeting it was stated that Wigan and Warrington could just de-prime if they were of a mind to do so.

Diggle Green: The Environment Agency are monitoring the situation at Diggle Green. Some residents are still experiencing foul smells. Dan Matthewman from Warrington Planning Enforcement Team attended one of our meetings to talk through concerns that residents had. A further application has been submitted by Mr. Broster to increase tonnage.

HS2: After much objection from the region it seems that the depot is now to be sited at Crewe and that the spur line, in the HS2 Chairman's words "may now not be necessary". Which if agreed by Parliament would be fantastic news.

Highfield Moss: Is now under the management of Lancashire Wildlife Trust who are aiming to return the moss to its original state.

Mount Tabor: During the past year more trees have been planted on Jubilee Wood and ongoing maintenance of the area has been carried out. Our thanks go to Colin and Kath Johnson for all their hard work. An information sign has been erected on the path at Jubilee Wood.

Kenyon Airstrip: Not a lot has happened of late, but we need to be vigilant.

Little Picks: During the course of the year we have organised a number of successful litter picks and thanks must go to all who attended.

During the year there have been a range of social events. In June the Open Gardens raised over £900 for local charities. In September, Les Bagshaw organised a Bowling Competition, raising money for the Air Ambulance. In November we had a talk from Raymond of Stones and Roses followed by a humorous quiz by Ed Thwaite. In December 'Carols around the Christmas Tree' was very well attended and money raised was given to the Rotary who donate to local charities. Finally In February Colin Johnson organised a Darts and Dominoes night. Thanks were expressed to everyone involved for making all these events so successful.

The Chairman then thanked Pat Grundy who retired from her position as Secretary to the group, she has moved to a new life in Clitheroe. Thanks were also given to members of the Management Committee and especially Denis Eubank (Deputy Chairman), who stood in for the Chairman when she was 'out of action'. Thanks were also expressed to Mike the Landlord of the Red Lion for allowing us to use the room and also for his very generous support at several of our events. Lastly thanks were expressed to all LHSRG members for attending the meetings every month.

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS:

The Treasurer had available the Financial Summary for the year for members to view.

ELECTION OF HONORARY OFFICERS AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Chair:	Ann Lowe (elected unopposed)
Deputy Chair:	Denis Eubank (elected unopposed)
Secretary	Gill Dickinson (elected unopposed)
Treasurer	Howard Cooper (elected unopposed)
Minutes Secretary:	Marie Cooper (elected unopposed)

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS: Officers will be elected as and when required.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

The Chairman suggested that the meetings, instead of being held monthly, should be held bi-monthly. This was proposed and seconded.