



Wirksworth Civic Society

Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 6th April 2010 *Draft minutes*

Present

Colin Pidgeon, Chair

Janet Pidgeon, Secretary

Barry Joyce

Ian Dare

Graham Barfield, Programme Secretary

Apologies

Mike Ratcliffe, Marian Vaughan

Minutes of previous meeting

Agreed

Matters arising

Pelican crossing –no further action

Town Notice Board –

**Action* –Mike to liaise with EVRA who have a board there & AGS

Coping stones & planting in Church Walk –chased up but no movement

Payne's shop – Janet to contact Tanya

Market Place –hole in car park – no progress

Wash Green – application allowed with the condition that elevations facing west be in stone

Agenda items

Townscape Working Party Report

See attached notes of meeting

Community Square –discuss with Peter Foley at Church Walk meeting

Gritstone flags- 25 need to be replaced, no legal redress, only general duty of care which has low level interpretation; Leader of DCC is interested in historic towns & need for high quality paving

**Action* – Ian to write to relevant Officer with copy to Cllr Lewer

Setts up West End – removed by Severn Trent & replaced as direct result of Ian's intervention –quote in other letters

Hope & Anchor – Mike wrote re cigarette ends outside; area cleaned up

Church Walk - Peter Foley, Director of Community Services, agreed to meet to begin discussions on maintenance of railings & plinth; apparently Lottery has more money available due t recession

**Acton* -Janet to inform Garry Purdy & Cllr Lewer of meeting

Planning Applications

Porter Lane –application to convert Via Gellia Transport Centre (industrial) for recycling builders' waste

Boulderflatts Mine- new application to build very large agricultural/horticultural buildings for hydroponic cultivation –with reports from legal experts; would impact on landscape & setting of Wirksworth

**Action* –ask Ken Acons for comments & inform Mike; inform people of plan

Civic Voice

Similar organisation to defunct Civic Trust inviting local societies to join; gathering input from societies round country; launch on April 17th; do we wish to join at cost of £1.50 per head?

**Action* –bring to AGM

AGM

Mike unable to attend so ask him to ask Dave Brown to represent him & report on his actions over the year as relationship with Town Council important

Elections: Graham willing to continue as Events' Programme Secretary with support from Janet & Colin; Marian to be nominated in own right; need representative from heritage Centre; Allan Morrison willing to stand for committee; need to check with Adam

AOB

Cook's Yard –issue over appearance of sign in courtyard

**Action* –take up with Tanya

Rural Litter Group –collected 18 bags of litter; next clean up in July

Date & time of next meeting: Tuesday 8th June 7.30pm, 10 Summer Drive