



Wirksworth Civic Society
Townscape Working Party Meeting
Tuesday 11th 2008
Draft Notes

Present

Ian Dare, Chair, Working TWP
Janet Pidgeon, Minuting Secretary

Colin Pidgeon, Chair, CS
Anna Williams

Main points of discussion

Actions from last meeting – Mike Ratcliffe was invited but could not attend this meeting; to be invited to next meeting

Haarlem Mill –no response to Ian's letter from owners

Street cleaning – response received to letter commenting on improvement; policy on litter bins under review so no decision on request for one on Harrison Drive; request to be kept on file

Bus stops - Bill Lear to examine on next visit; County Council Officer also to pass on concern re state of stops

North End – British Gas left equipment –removed before call made

Blocked gullies- response to letter said that gullies to be jetted clear & checked to for satisfactory working

West End – road markings to be checked & dealt with

Issues

- **Response to various letters**- letter re bollard repair, missing coping stones ,stretch linking The Causeway to Market Square –still no response received to date; Irene Ratcliffe has taken up some parts of it & responses forwarded
**Action- Janet to write to Chief Executive*
- **'Test issue' –signage in Market Place** –Colin & Gerry met Dick Hardy (DCC) & Keith Postlethwaite (DDDC) but need to meet with other officers; Dick was to contact Lee Wright; he was concerned that notices had not been removed; also need to check signage round Market Place, car park & phone box; not optimistic about boards outside Hope & Anchor but coming up with new car park boards; surprised that new boards with doors & locks have not been installed
**Action –Janet to email DH & KP re follow up*
- **Wirksworth in Bloom**-Ian invited to inaugural meeting; it is about presentation of town as well as floral displays & duplicates some of activities of TWP; could be umbrella group over-reaching other groups in town; Ian volunteered to sit on committee
- **Street cleaning** - Cromford Rd bad on Sunday mornings but better on week days; cleaning improved over all; leaf clearance better
- **The Vaults** - windows boarded, weeds outside
**Action –Ian to contact owners re maintenance*
- **Red Lion** –new owners; improved by painting
**Action –Janet to write to congratulate new owners on improvement*

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- **Proposed new puffin crossing** – concerns raised re siting
**Action – Janet to write to enquire why proposed site identified*

.Next meeting: TBA 7.30pm 10 Summer Drive