



## Wirksworth Civic Society

### Townscape Working Party Meeting Monday 17th August 2009 *Draft Notes*

#### **Present**

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

Colin Pidgeon, Chair, CS  
Anna Williams

#### **Apologies**

Gerry Vaughan, Mike Ratcliffe

#### ***Main points of discussion***

**Community Square** –neglected, weeds growing through gaps, no planting this year; coping stones still not replace; Mike tried to take up with DDDC

*\*Action –raise at meeting with Garry Purdy*

**Buildings at Risk Walk** –delayed due to work on HLF application;; Payne’s frontage causing concern, 12/14 Coldwell Street emptied, residents gone; query re removal of auction sign on Cemetery Lodge

*\*Action –Janet to contact Tanya Shaw to fix date; above issued to be raised then*

**‘Test issue’ –signage in Market Place** – no response to email; clutter of signs on pavement proliferated; possible discussion with Community Police re safety issues; lack of road names on Middleton Road & King Edward Street

*\*Action –Ian to write & take up with Garry Purdy*

**Street cleaning** - no sign of mechanical sweeper

*\*Action –Ian to enquire about schedule*

**Black bags** – DDDC agreed to leaflet drop but failed to carry out; Heidi Finlay responded that there is a risk of upsetting people who do not leave out bags; she needs evidence; apparently, as CS is unwilling to be identified as requesting action, this is a non-starter

*\*Action –take up with Garry Purdy*

**Fix My Street** –Harrison Drive -where blocked gulley needs deepening & cleaning to deal with water & drain needs to be unblocked –not appropriate for website; road surface at top of Wet End reported, DDDC responded & passed concern on to inspectors; Anna to enter manholes cover damage by Lime Kiln Cottages

**The Vaults** – Ian wrote to Punch Taverns about vegetation & asked them to clean up area but received no response

**Japanese knotweed** – concerns about infestation, particularly round Stone Centre

**Litter**- Ian working on setting up rural area litter group; wrote to Shirley Mann who invited him to next meeting of her litter group

*\*Action –Ian to attend to make contact & to set up small groups*

**.Next meeting: TBA 7.30pm 10 Summer Drive**