

**Wirksworth Civic Society**  
**Townscape Working Party Meeting**  
**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2005**

***Draft Notes***

**Present**

Colin Pidgeon. Chair, CS  
Ian Dare, Chair, Working Party  
Janet Pidgeon, Minuting Secretary  
Adam Lathbury

Marian Vaughan sent apologies  
Mike Ratcliffe was unable to attend

***Key points from meeting:***

**Reports on actions:**

- AL is continuing to work on his document recording Amenity Paving & Streetscape of The Dale & Greenhill. Photos are in place work on text is on-going.
- ID undertook random survey of drains in Town & produced set of photos showing blocked & damaged drains in various areas of Town. Some drains are in poor condition, eroded, and/or blocked with weeds; some gulleys are in poor condition; loose soil, stones etc are washed down hills to block drains; maintenance is inadequate. Lime stone setts are being destroyed. It appears that no maintenance has been undertaken since The Dale & Greenhill restoration project in the 1980s.

**Other issues**

- CP suggested activity for Christmas Party –‘The Downside of Wirksworth’ (Grot Spots) –photos of ‘disaster’ areas, eg long term scaffolding, dilapidated buildings, unsafe areas etc to be identified in a quiz to raise awareness of issues & of CS’s role in addressing them with District Council.

**Action**

- AL to continue with document & circulate copies to WP members before next meeting; document then to be reviewed by Group at meeting.
- Arrangements for display for Christmas Party to be finalised
- Members of WP to take photos for next meeting

- ID to produce copies of photos of drains for next CS Committee meeting with view to writing to County Council for their comments; CP to pass set on to MR prior to meeting;
- JP to draft letter to District Conservation Officers, Tanya McBurney & Dr Mark Askey to be produced by JP for next meeting.

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**.Next meeting:**

Group to meet Tuesday 8th November at 7.30pm at 10 Summer Drive

*Agenda*

- AL's document & display
- Draft letter to Conservation Officers informing them of the survey
- Maintenance issues -follow up from full Committee meeting