

Minutes of the Meeting of the Aylestone Park Residents' Group held on 2nd November 2017 in the Church Hall of The Church of the Nativity, Cavendish Road, Aylestone Park, Leicester.

The meeting started at 7.30pm with Alan Sturgess in the Chair.

Apologies: Cllr. Elly Cutkelvin, Cllr. Nigel Porter, Jackley Moore-Freakley, Stefan Cabaniuk, Michael Corner, Sue Eppel, Jodie Sansom and Kay Turner.

A talk about the Canal and River Trust by Wayne Ball, Volunteer Development Co-ordinator.

Minutes of the AGM held on 5th October 2017 were approved and will need to be confirmed at the next AGM in October 2018.

Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th September 2017 were confirmed as correct.

Matters arising from the Previous AGM not covered in the Agenda

Saffron Pharmacy is moving into the former Martin Pine shop on Saffron Lane. It will open in the new premises on the 13th November.

Public Footpath The commercial bin and rubbish have now been removed from the public footway near to the Newsagents at the corner of Duncan Road and Saffron Lane.

The City Council has arranged for part of the footpath to be repaired outside 393-395 Saffron Lane. The rest of Saffron Lane will be inspected in November as part of its regular three month review.

Noel Cazley is on paternity leave.

Councillor's Report

Cllr. Bill Shelton (Saffron)

Aylestone Recreation Ground There has been reports of anti-social behaviour. Police have arrested a flasher and a person selling drugs.

Whittier Road There was a serious accident involving a school bus and a school boy riding his bike. The meeting was told that the boy is recovering.

Hughenden Drive Meeting with officers to discuss the problem of vehicles using it as a rat-run.

Christmas Pantomime This will be held at the Kingfisher Centre from 5-8pm on 8th December. Admission is free.

Secretary's Report

It was agreed to put the Constitution and the audited Statement of Accounts on the website.

There was also agreement to invite The Friends of the Earth to a future monthly meeting.

It was emphasised that the Group was non-political and non-religious.

Treasurer's Report

A Statement of Accounts was presented and approved. The balance at the Bank was £625.74. All the Petty Cash has now been paid into the Bank. The total cost for the Weekend of Remembrance for the Cavendish Road War Memorial was £212.50. The grant from the City Council was £300 which means that £87.50 needs to be paid back.

Newsletter

It is hoped to produce a Newsletter before Christmas.
All articles need to be submitted by 14th November.

St. Mary's

There had been a recent meeting at City Hall with the Friends of St. Mary's and Dr. Helen O'Brien, Senior Nature Conservation Officer at Leicester City Council. Cllr. Cutkelvin also attended part of the meeting. Dr. O'Brien confirmed that Westleigh did not have permission to clear part of the site which would be included in the Proposed Open Space. She was in discussion with the developer on options for wildflower sowing or the possible planting of more fruit trees. She also hoped that draft plans for the Proposed Open Space would be available shortly.

Cricket Residents' Focus Group

It is planned to hold a meeting at Leicestershire County Cricket Ground from 6pm on Monday 20th November.

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Church

Pat advised the meeting that the Church and the Scouts are organising an evening of **Festive Fun and Frolics**. It will be performed on Friday **24th** and Saturday **25th November**. Tickets cost £5 for adults and £3 for children. They are now available to buy.

Play Area-Aylestone Recreation Ground

Sylvia was pleased to see that the City Council was starting to install new play equipment on the park.

Aylestone Meadows Mural

Herbert was also glad to report that the mural depicting Aylestone Meadows has now been completed near to the entrance with Aylestone Road.

Date of Next Meeting:

Thursday 7th December starting at 7.30pm in the Church Hall of the Church of Nativity, Cavendish Road, Aylestone Park, Leicester.

