



Westhoughton Community Network

Meeting: 7:00pm Tuesday, 15th February 2012

at St. John's Church Wingates

Minutes

1. Present

Groups in attendance (11)

1. Enterprise Action Unity (EAU)
2. Friends of Eatock Lodge (FoEL)
3. Hindley's and Clough Farm Residents Association (HACFRA)
4. St. John's Church Wingates (SJCW)
5. Westhoughton Active Communities Organisation (WACO)
6. Westhoughton Art Group (WAG)
7. Westhoughton Local History Group (WLHG)
8. Wingates Band (WB)
9. Westhoughton Methodists Amateur Dramatic Society (WMADS)
10. Wingates Residents Association (WRA)
11. Westhoughton United Reformed Church (WURC)
- ~ Bolton at Home (BaH) [Admin]

Individuals in attendance (23)

Lisa Bradley (BaH)	Andrew Glynn (SJCW)	Ted Wisedale (WLHG)
Ann Benn (FoEL)	Bill Greenhalgh (WMADS)	Mike Wood (HACFRA)
Trevor Benn (FoEL)	Dave Hendry (WAG)	Yvonne Woolley (WLHG)
Val Chadwick (WLHG/HF)	David Kaye (WB)	Chris Buckley
Pam Clarke (WLHG)	Helen Purnell (WURC)	David Chadwick
Janet Colley (EAU / WACO)	Rev. Vince Radford (SJCW)	Denise Roscoe
Magaret Curme (WURC)	Alan Rhodes (WRA)	
Doug Cunliffe (HACFRA)	Brenda Shott (FoEL)	Mark Grundy (BCVS) [guest]

Apologies (9)

Daisy Hill in Bloom – Derek Bullock
Bolton at Home - Anne Burns
Tony Riley - Daisy Hill Football Club
Hope Church - Mark Taylor
Parish of St. Bartholomew's, St. Thomas & St. George LEP – James Wilson
Rotary Club of Westhoughton – Harold Daniels
Save Westhoughton Act Now (SWAN) – Andrew Glithero
Westhoughton Community Queens Association – Sandra Greenhall / Jean Watkinson
Peter Sloan



1. Welcome/Apologies/Review of Minutes

In the absence of Harold Daniels, Chris Buckley acted as Chair, assisted by Lisa Bradley. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as an accurate record. They were proposed by Janet Colley and seconded by Brenda Shott.

2. Introductions

Introductions took place and new members were welcomed.

3. Presentation on Grant Funding by Mark Grundy of Bolton CVS

Mark gave an excellent presentation on funding available to local groups including the Bolton CVS Big Bolton Fund. Mark talked about funding criteria, current procedures and range of funding available.

Groups can contact Mark on 01204 546010
www.boltoncvs.org.uk/small-grants-programme

Information from Mark's presentation will be made available in due course on the WCN website.

4. Volunteer Week Community Fayre

After feedback from the subcommittee and some conversation around feasibility of dates, it was agreed that the event should take place on **Saturday 21st April** (10am to 3pm) at Westhoughton Market to coincide with the Luddites Bi-Centenary events.

The subcommittee agreed to meet again on Tuesday 13th March to progress with the planning of the event.

Post-break Andrew Glynn and Rev. Vince Radcliffe gave an overview of improvements planned for the Church for use as a community facility and attendees were able to view the Church.

5. Luddites Bicentenary Event

Ted Wisedale gave an update on the events planned by Westhoughton Local History Group in celebration of the bicentenary of the burning of the mill. The events are due to take place the weekend of 21st and 22nd April and include: Fairground, Town Crier, Plaque for the White Lion, Library Exhibition, Performances from The Houghton Weavers and Wingates Band, Morris Dancing, Street Theatre including 'The Burning of The Mill' and Fireworks Display.



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6. Westhoughton Community Groups Information Share & Events Update

- Friends of Eatock Lodge Public Meetings – 24th Feb & 5th Mar
- Westhoughton Art Group shared information on Cherry's Coffee Shop who are willing to display community notices and engage with community activities and groups.
- Westhoughton Methodist Amateur Dramatic Society shared information on their family pantomime The Man in the Iron Pantomime Mask at Westhoughton Methodist Church in Feb.
- Wingates Band notified the group of their Mass Band Concert on Sat 17th Mar at Victoria Hall, Bolton.
- HACFRA informed members that Washacre FM would hold its 7th annual broadcast 22nd-25th Aug.
- Westhoughton United Reformed Church invited people to the Family Social Evening on Sat 2nd June.
- WACO announced their annual It's A Knockout festival on Sun 27th May.

7. Any Other Business

Chris Buckley shared the latest improvements to the Westhoughton Community Network website including the calendar and asked all members to contribute.

Updates for events to go onto the online calendar should be emailed to the main WCN email (Event Name, Date/Time, Location, Details, Price, Contact).

Be sure to WCN email to safe senders list to ensure receipt of Newsletter – if you'd like something circulated to the group get in touch.

8. Arrangements for Future WCN Meetings

Some of the members expressed an interest in subcommittees for collaborative funding applications. It was suggested that common threads of need / activity ought to be identified so that groups could join forces on particular issues.

9. Date & Time of Next Meeting

Tuesday 15th May, 7pm, John Holt Youth & Community Centre

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Further information or amendments to:
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