

West Windsor Residents' Association

Minutes of the 2014 Annual General Meeting

On March 3 2014 at Homer First School

Meeting opens: 7.40pm

Attending – approx 150 people

John Holdstock (JH) opens meeting by introducing Bill Cheema (BC) from the newsagents in The Parade, Ruddlesway.

Bill is leaving after 25 years.

JH said he had been a part of the community for many years and it will be a great loss to the area when the newsagents closes.

BC thanked everyone for their custom and for welcoming him to the community. He said he could not afford the price Paradigm Housing had put forward to retain a unit on the Parade when the new development is built.

He will still be carrying out a delivery service from the corner of The Parade. This will be open Mon-Fri 5.30am-7am, Sat 5.30am-12noon and Sun 5.30am-10am

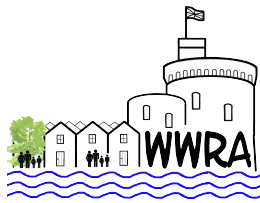
There was a call for a motion to be passed that ensures the shop stays.

JH said the association had done all it could and that he would ensure the planning officers were aware of the concerns.

The motion was proposed by: Mike (Moss) Seconded by: Mr Shuman
Vote: unanimous

JH introduced Miles Thompson (MT) planning policy manager for RBWM who gave a talk about the new Local Plan and development within in the Green Belt.

MT outlined an overview of strategy RBWM is setting out over 15 years.



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They are currently at the stage 2 – preferred option consultation stage which allows further community involvement.

They need to find space for 12,000 homes in the borough up to 2030. They have currently earmarked sites for 7.5 thousand and are looking at urban areas and Green Belt land. They are now consulting over 23 area.

The deadline for comments is March 21.

There are three areas affecting west Windsor:

1. South of Dedworth Road and west of the Broom Farm East
2. North side of Dedworth Road down to the A308
3. North of the A308

Both sites of the garden centres are up for development.

Issues raised to MT

- Legoland traffic on the Relief Road – what provision is being made to allow for extra visitors to the park and access to facilities in the town?
- Is planning going to include expansion of Wexham Hospital

MT said the clinical commission group could say if they need more land for new resources.

- Would the recent weather affect planning south of A308?

MT said as a result of recent floods they are liaising with the Environment Agency to find out where the risks of flooding are.

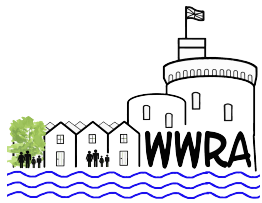
JH said that all three sites were not subject to flooding from the river so it can be assumed development of some sort would go ahead.

- Is it too late to object to garden centre development?

MT said if you are going to object it needs to be on planning grounds not emotional reasons

POLL:

Who wishes to see two garden centres retained? 80%



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- Who wishes to see one garden centre go? 100%
- Who wishes to retain Wyevale? 40%
- Who wishes to retain Squires? 60%

There was a clear preference that if a garden centre was kept it would be Squires over Wyevale

- Hilary suggested writing to the Queen to ask her to release some Crown Estate land.

MT said that was land ruled out but he would find out why.

- Would first, middle and secondary schools be built to accommodate all ages of new children moving to the area?

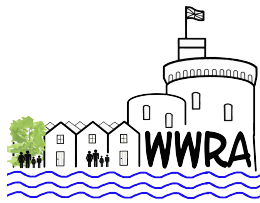
MT said you had to build the houses first to then see what infrastructure was needed.

JH asked about the 3 parcels of land up for development

1. Do you approve that housing should be built on land south of Dedworth Road and west of Broom Farm Estate?
 - In favour: 5%
 - Against: 30%
2. Do you approve that land between Dedworth Road and A308 including Wyevale should be built on?
 - In favour: 8%
 - Against: 40%
3. Do you approve that land north of A308 with Squires to Oakley Court Road should be built on?
 - In favour: 5%
 - Against: 50%

JH explained about the Neighbourhood Plan and how he had meetings with Christine Bateson to plead that Clewer North and Clewer South be included in the area forum.

POLL:



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Do you wish to convey to Cllr Airey that Clewer North and Clewer South should be included in the Neighbourhood Plan?

- In favour: majority
- Against: 0

AGM meeting proper

JH – opened the meeting saying it was a great pleasure to see John Fido back and in good health. He reported that Cynthia Endacott is still unwell and through John Endacott sent everyone's love and best wishes from the entire meeting to her.

1: Apologies

CE, MS, JB, MM

There were 3 non-members present

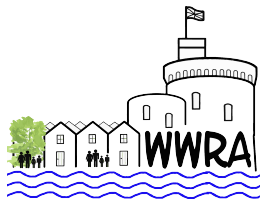
110 members present

JH read the objectives of WWRA

2: Minutes from last AGM

Matters arising:

- Transport Users Group – call for anybody with skills or interests in transport to join the committee
- Windsor and Eton Neighbourhood Plan – discussed earlier
- Submission to HMG on Heathrow
- RBWM start site consultation work
- Extension of the WWRA and formal re-writing of the constitution



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- Income and expenditure of the year
- Development of a business plan

Minutes proposed: David Moors

Seconded: Renato Constabile

Vote: All agree

3: Chairman's report by JH

Heathrow – MS and JJ had been working and advising on consultations and the airport commission by Sir Howard Davis and thanked them for their work.

Planning matters

Mahjacks has been approved – the association objected

Liquor licence for the garage was refused

Queen pub application for flats was turned down

21 Aston Mead – construction due to start shortly

Windsor Racecourse – reviewing operation they have allowed WWRA to take part in and people living across from it.

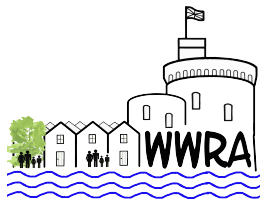
Neighbourhood Action Group – Need a rep on WAG

JH thanked the committee for their work and special thanks to the councillors who have served the community for so long.

4: Secretary's report

PB delivered this on behalf of MM

Looking at the Local Plan and whether it is delivering what it says and serving its purpose.



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- Does the LP include what we expect it to?
- What is the purpose of the LP?
- Is it user friendly?
- Would you buy this plan

Website

WDC spoke about the website and the stage they were at with building it

www.wwra.org.uk

It is being developed in two stages

- Stage 1 should be ready by April
- Stage 2 later this year

Membership secretary – MM through PB

1086 household members. He expressed thanks to all the collectors. Reminded those to do Standing Order where possible.

5: Treasurer Report

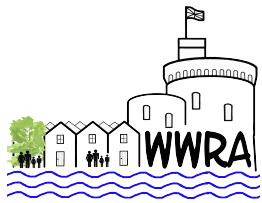
Proposed: Hilary Hopper

Seconded: Jean Todd

6: Committee election

Thank you to chairman.

JF stood to say a few words of thanks to JH who is stepping down as chairman. He said JH had carried out his role with 100% diligence, thoroughness and thought for the community and they owe he and his wife, Pat a huge debt of gratitude. He proposed that the association bestow honorary life membership upon John and David Moores. He then announced that he would be stepping down at the next election after serving 12 years as a councillor.



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JP then stood up to announce that he will be stepping down at the next election as well. He said west Windsor was a great place to live and worth looking after.

JH was presented with a present.

JH thanks RC who has been treasurer for 20 years and was stepping down.

Committee positions:

- John Harris – treasurer
- Hilary Hopper as a committee member
- JH proposed Wisdom Da Costa to stand in as chairman.
 - Proposed – Ronalto Costibalo
 - Seconder – John Fido
 - Approved
 - Election carried.

7: AOB

JF proposed JH and DM to be given lifetime membership

- **Proposed** – JF
- **Seconder** – JP

Meeting closed 10.30pm.