

Worlebury Residents Association (WRA) Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 26th February 2025 at 7-00pm at Worlebury Golf Club

APPROVED MINUTES

1. WELCOME

Lesley Pattenden (LP) welcomed everyone.

2. PRESENT

(After the meeting the Supporter's Secretary reported 20 supporters present)

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

John and Vivien Adlam, Peter Avery, Carole Billington, Sue and John Chinnick, Roy Dedman, Linda and Ges Graves, Alain Mauger, Liam McDermott, Chris and Patricia Nelson and Steve and Kate Poland.

4. CONFIRMATION OF 2024 MINUTES

These were approved, proposed Kevin Early, seconded Jane Sands and carried nem con.

5. OFFICERS REPORTS

Chair's Report. LP summarised the WRA's activities through the past year. These included the monthly Coffee Mornings organised by Sue Chinnick, and LP thanked Sue for this with particular reference to the quizzes which add interest and conviviality to the mornings. We were also actively engaged in the maintenance of the Glade, particularly tidying up after social fires and minor vandalism. She had also been checking on the tree planting done in the copse in Worlebury Park Road and could report that some trees were surviving, which is a result! Finally on the management of the defibrillator, LP reported that it had been deployed a couple of times in the year, principally we believe by the Ambulance Service. She also noted that the Golf Club does not have its own defibrillator any more.

Treasurer's Report. John Chapman (JC) presented his report. Summary sheets had been handed round at the meeting and he had the full accounts available for inspection if required. He thanked Liam McDermott for examining the Accounts. He reported a balance of £2496 at the end of 2024 (up from £2272 in 2023), but with £415 ring-fenced for the Defibrillator fund and £823 for the Glade, this left £1258 in general funds. Two significant sources of income were the Coffee Mornings and the Sands' Open Garden. Expenditure planned for 2025 included some replacement planters for the area outside the Golf Club. The idea of some form of a Welcome to Worlebury sign in this area was discussed and agreed as worth pursuing. The report and accounts were approved, proposed Steve Harris, seconded Roy Godwin and carried nem con.

Secretary's Report. Stephen Sands (SS) reported that he was Supporter's Secretary but again Acting Secretary as that position was vacant. As Supporters Secretary he reported that we have 154 households on our email circulation list, a significant proportion of the 550 or so households in Worlebury, but only 3 new supporters signed up in the year. He asked if those present thought it appropriate to circulate emails about perceived criminal / anti-social activity. The feedback was that such information should be circulated, but clearly should be anonymised.

6. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF 2024 COMMITTEE

Nominations were Chair Lesley Pattenden, Treasurer John Chapman, Secretary Vacant, Supporter's Secretary Stephen Sands, Committee members Martin Williams and James Davis. All re-elected, proposed Arthur Redman, seconded Steve Harris, carried nem con.

7. FUTURE EVENTS

LP outlined the events in the WRA calender for 2025. These include the monthly Coffee Mornings and perhaps a Community garage sale and a Quiz night.

8. VOLUNTEERS

VETS LP reported that a training session was overdue and she was planning to organise one this year.

HELPING WITH EVENTS The Committee would be pro-active in supporting anyone who volunteered to organise an event.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Arthur Redman asked what was happening about Neighbourhood Watch. SS replied that the Worlebury scheme was in abeyance. The WRA was open to taking on the role, but needed a coordinator on the Committee and no-one had yet stepped forward.

The meeting closed at 7-50pm and was followed by refreshments and a talk by David Agassiz of the Worlebury Hillfort Group on the history of and current situation with the Worlebury Hillfort Camp.