

Present

Tony Ray (TR); Ian Richardson (IFR); Graham Sugden (GS); Hilary Sugden (HS); Steve Taylor (ST); Michele Mooney (MM); Barbara Plumtree-Varley (BPV)

Apologies Ken Torode (KT); Ian Rennard (IR); Doug Kemp (DK)

1. Matters Arising
 - a. BVP has contacted Izaak Wilson re providing a rubbish bin on/near footpath from Harrowby Rd to Church Wood Av. Councillors have agreed to fund it.
 - b. Error in previous set of minutes – It was of course Weetwood Police Station and not West Park Police Station.
 - c. Plans for flats on the site are as yet not approved.

2. Leeds Bradford Airport – meeting with Chief Executive Vincent Hodder on 5 October
 - a. Ticket only event with 80 in attendance including MP Alex Sobel, our three local councillors and two on duty CPSOs. The meeting was chaired by Emma Flint. MM, HS and GS attended.
 - b. BBC Look North, YTV Calendar and local press were present.
 - c. Mr Hodder stated that LBA were not wanting to have unlimited night flights but were seeking clarification from the council re the interpretation of the rules. He wants delayed flights landing before 1am not to count as night flights and more modern quieter planes also not to count.
 - d. The large majority of those present in the audience were unhappy with his proposals and the way in which they were going about the process.
 - e. Question and Answer session proved not to be as challenging as it might have been due to the lack of opportunity for the questioner to respond to Mr Hodder's initial answer.
 - f. GALBA continue to monitor the number of night flights which show that LBA are still significantly breaking permitted levels.

3. PACT meeting 8 November – separate email sent to all members plus inclusion on WPRA website. **Action GS/ST/IFR**

4. West Park Fields
 - a. New playground is now finished with the addition of two benches and rubbish bins installed within.
 - b. Some discussion as to whether proposed picnic benches should be placed outside the playground. Feedback from residents to be sought. Committee in favour of benches but have concerns about misuse of tables.

5. A660
 - a. Lawnswood Roundabout – The bore hole investigations took place as planned and resulted in the removal of all plants and shrubs from the roundabout. Promises from the council in their letter to residents (25 July 2023) 'to replace them once the excavations are complete' have not materialised.

- b. A660 alterations – Detailed programme for the next stage of alterations to the A660 from Shaw Lane to Leeds University are now published on the LCC website. Broken down into ten phases from now until spring 2025. The section from Shaw Lane to North Lane adjacent to Headingley Central (Arndale Centre) will take one year to complete and starts in spring 2024.
- c. LCC suggests that there will be some disruption.

6. Climate Action Group

- a. This Inner North West Community Committee meeting held on 27th September was attended by HS and GS. Also, in attendance were lots of Leeds councillors and keen cyclists.
- b. Support for improved cycling facilities along the A660 and further additions in the city centre.
- c. Next meeting Wednesday 13 December at 6pm. Venue to be announced – possibly at St Chad's Centre.

7. AOB

- a. Subscriptions for 2024 are due from January and will remain at £5. The next AGM will revert to the pre Covid time of March/April. Suggested date is Thursday 21 March 2024. Venue yet to be determined. **Action TR**
- b. Details about proposed 'Bus Reforms in West Yorkshire' can be found on the attached website. It includes venues, dates and times of presentation events. The two in Leeds are at the Central Library on 4 Dec at 2-3.30pm and again at 5.30-7pm. People wishing to attend need to register on the website <https://www.yourvoice.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/busreform>
- c. There is ongoing concern about the waste bins behind the West Park shops and on the corner with Spen Road which are attracting vermin. The issue was raised at the recent PACT meeting at which it was suggested to contact councillors and LCC Environment unit. **Action GS.**
- d. Concern re Uber drivers waiting at the top of Church Wood Avenue with engines running to be raised at next PACT meeting.

Date of next meeting Monday 15 January at 7.15pm
HS 15/11/2023