WEST PARK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION MEETING 23 June 2025

Present

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

Apologies

Agenda

1. Matters arising
2. Review of 2025 AGM
3. Selecting date for 2026 AGM
4. LBA/GALBA update
5. Lawnswood Roundabout update
6. AOB

1. Matters Arising
    a. Weetwood Police Station site – still no further progress on the housing proposals. TR to monitor

2. Review of 2025 AGM
    a. Good turnout and an excellent venue with great support from Dennis Waudby.
    b. Special thanks to Ian Coatman for his update on LBA and to councillors Emma Flint, Jools Heselwood and Izaak Wilson for their contributions. WPRA members appreciated their attendance.
    c. £500 to be donated to GALBA from WPRA funds. Action IFR
    d. Publicity re attracting new members to WPRA – IFR to design posters HS to distribute.

3. Date and venue for 2026 AGM
    a. Preferred date is Tuesday 31 March with a reserve date of Tuesday 21 April. Action GS to contact St Chad's School. Councillors and MP to be invited.

4. LBA/GALBA update
    a. LBA public meetings to be held in Horsforth and Burley in Wharfdale.
    b. Public inquiry into night flights is ongoing
    c. Stop airport expansion petition exists and can be accessed from the GALBA website. More than 20 UK airports have expansion plans which would increase total capacity by 60%+.
    d. Jet Zero legal challenge went against GALBA. However, GALBA have asked the Appeal Court for permission to challenge the High Court's decision.

5. Lawnswood Roundabout update
    a. Contract awarded to Eric Wright civil engineering starting 30 June 2025 and to be completed 29 June 2026.
    b. Work expected to commence at start of school holidays
    c. Concerns about apparent lack of landscaping on the completed roundabout. GS to contact Morgan Tatchell- Evans for clarification.

6. AOB

a. At present West Park Fields not included in the 2026 Bands in the Park programme. TR to follow up
b. Community Orchard on West Park Fields – proposal to have an 'Interpretation Board'. Fully supported by committee. TR to plan.
c. Damaged Drain cap on West Park Fields near playground has now been replaced and no longer a danger.
d. Ironman event on Sunday 27th July will result in road closures and delays. ST to publicise on Facebook
e. There is now no access from the A660 to St Michaels Road.

Date of next meeting Monday 1 September 2025 at 7.15pm
HS 24/6/2025