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# Great Park

**Neighbourhood Association**

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**AGM 07 August 20 19:30hrs**

## **Minutes**

Ref: 20200817 AGM Minutes 07Aug20 FINAL v1.0

**Meeting chaired by:** Denise Gilholme

**Minutes by:** Lee Taylor

**Attendees:**

- Lee Taylor (**LT**)
- Sean Hood (**SH**)
- James Allsopp (**JA**)
- Stuart Cannon (**SC**)
- Denise Gilholme (**DG**)
- Tom McAlister (**TA**)

**1. Welcome**

Welcome to the meeting, apologies were made for the delay in hosting the AGM due to COVID 19

**2. Apologies**

Joao Ortale (**JO**)

Claudia Birtwhistle (**CB**)

Nikky Jane (**NJ**)\*

Dean Whitaker (**DW**)\*

**3. Previous Minutes/Actions**

- Available on the website

**4. Chairs Report**

- Managed to have some recruitment success
- Website has been successfully updated and freshened up since the last AGM
- Maintaining monthly meetings with OT (Oliver Thompson)
  - Had initial success along with Anita, but this ceased in February due to the ongoing COVID 19 situation
  - Communications ongoing through email
- Smoother ways of reporting issues
  - Use of the Work in Progress list has been improved
- Broadband has been improved thanks to SH in cell C & cell E
  - Broadband should be good throughout most areas of Great Park

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- Speeding is still an issue within the Great Park
  - CB is co-opted as a safety officer
- Biodiversity meetings have been attended by members of the committee
- Ranger post is not filled
- New Estates manager is now working for the consortium
- Planning permission for first schools is now advancing
- Town centre now has 3 occupied units, and it's now a case of pushing forward to get more units occupied
- General thanks for member's dedication to the GPNA

## **5. Secretary's Report**

- Document template has been implemented
- Communications between residents and GPNA appear to be improved
- WIP list appears to be working well to record the issues that are raised by residents

## **6. Treasurers Report**

- Reporting year end of 31Mar to be adopted by GPNA - accepted
- No income received in the last year
- Expenses in the last reporting year totalled £225
- Outgoings since the end of the last reporting year £100
- The cash balance is £1,226 as at the date of the AGM
- Potential to get more funding in from the consortium
- Financial authorisation for payments to be made by Treasurer with approval from one other committee officers.

## **7. Election of members**

- All members present due for election at next AGM
- No one stood against Officers
- Check Members:
  - Gemma Nesbit
  - Sarah Malulia
  - Michael Forster
  - Paul Cross
  - Chris Marsden

## **8. Constitution**

- Constitution has been accepted and is to be put on to the template.

## **9. Next meeting**

- Wednesday 16Sep20 1930

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## **Notes**

\* Apologies received after AGM

## **ACTIONS**

1	Check previous minutes for when people joined GPNA	LT	
2	Issue constitution to all committee members for final approval prior to issue	LT	

## **Our current Committee Officers are:**

Co-Chair – Sean Hood (IT & Comms)

Co-Chair – Denise Gilholme

Treasurer – James Allsopp

Secretary – Lee Taylor

## **Other members:**

Nikky Jane

Michael Forster

Kirsty Martin – Greenside rep

Ruth Hewett – Melbury and Walkworth Woods rep

João Ortale

Stuart Cannon

## **Co-opted members:**

Claudia Birtwisle – Traffic and safety