

**Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 7th May 2009
At Lancaster Avenue Community Rooms**

Present: Andy Cattell, Tony Marshall, Sue Aspley, Les Smith, Margaret Farmer, Joyce Peel, Peter Kelsall, Harry Swain, Sgt Peter Finch and PC Ian Collin.

Apologies: Mich Moore, Frank Priest, Les Smith and Eric Jennings.

The minutes of the previous committee meeting on the 5th March 2009 were circulated with the agenda and agreed as a true record.

Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising.

Newsletter:

The new editorial team will take over responsibility for the Newsletter and will plan to complete the next edition by the end of June with subsequent editions planned for October and February. In view of the low crime it was agreed three editions would prove sufficient.

Signs:

The Chair commented that he had noticed numerous signs around the area and felt this was a good thing.

Treasurer's Report:

Drafts accounts for the Year End 31st December were almost finalised and only needed signing off by Accountant.

New Members/Co-ordinators:

New co-ordinators are needed for Heygate Way/Jordan Way and Bankside Way. As yet there has been no response to letters sent out. This will be followed up after the AGM.

Website:

The secretary reported he had a problem with the bulletin link on the site, the webmaster confirmed he would investigate. The Domain name fee is due for renewal and needs to be transferred over to the current webmaster.

Police Area Report:

Crime is still falling with a 12% reduction across Aldridge and a 24% reduction in North Aldridge. There had been a spike of crime at Lazy Hill and several burglaries had taken place. It has now returned to normal levels. Incidents of youth nuisance had been reported at the back of Woodend Way/Branchal Road by residents and action taken.

Police Surgery:

Attendance was currently low but a police presence would be retained.

AOB:

AGM:

The Chair advised he is not able to attend the meeting and as the vice chair is away the secretary will stand in.

Insurance:

The NW blanket policy had been renewed and a copy was held on file.

**Meeting closed at 9.00 pm
Next Meeting will be the AGM on Thursday 14th May 2009**