

WHALEY **4wards**

27th November 2013

MINUTES OF TWENTY-SIXTH MEETING

1. Welcome: the following were present:

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| Cllr Anne Winter | Chair W4w/ WBTC / Amenity Soc |
| Cllr Martin Thomas | Secretary W4w/ Chair of WBTC / Amenity Soc |
| Stephanie Raybould | Town Clerk WBTC |
| Mary Nother | Horwich End W.I. |
| Barry Rudd | W3 |

2. Apologies for absence:

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| Ezra Garside | Local resident / business |
| Cllr Jon Goldfinch | WBTC |
| Amy Hubble | High Peak Architects |
| Cllr Susanne Lomas | WBTC |
| Cllr David Lomax | WBTC/HPBC/DCC |
| Cllr Barrie Taylor | WBTC / DCC |

3. Minutes of 25th meeting held 22nd October 2013 were approved with the substitution of Three for Two in 4.d and deletion second sentence in 4f.

4. Actions Round Up

- a. Agreed a rate of 3100m pa for Tele Box displays for commercial firms.
- b. Re disability access to the bottom of the Whaley Incline and the display board for the Whaley Incline; this is still delayed while HPBC seek approval from British Gas due to nearby pipeline.
- c. Cllr Lomas will follow-up the formation of puddles besides the phone box with the contractor.
- d. Network Rail requested that a conduit be provided for the heritage lamp cable, and the Town Clerk will chase Stanways to do this.
Action c/fwd

- e. Shrubs besides the phone box need pruning in the Autumn
Action O/S
- f. It had previously been noted that RSA, Steve Sharp, is unhappy with the existing railway notice boards and is considering ways to get these replaced. These are currently installed so they can be easily removed (they slot on spigots). **Action** Cllr Winter will follow this up with Northern Rail.
- g. Any replacement boards would be in a heritage style and positioned so a bench could be located in front.
- h. The Town Clerk showed quotes of £1650 for heritage style display board from Leander. A grant of £250 offered by Hope Valley CRP towards this. Grants of up to 40% available from Railway Heritage Trust. Cllr Winter agreed to brief Cllr Pritchard and Robin Wignall.
- i. New Bench - it was still hoped that the existing in store might be used on the triangle of land opposite the Telephone Action: Town Clerk to investigate this further.
- j. Display Board for Linear Park – next version outstanding Action: Cllr Thomas.
- k. Agreed to order another 200 leaflets for the Shallcross Trail.

5. Village Entrance Portals

- a. Agreed to seek designs for a canal scene with a boat going under a bridge. Marry Nother offered to seek some designs for our consideration.
- b. Locations discussed for this type of design are: i. Chapel Road before Elnor junction, ii. Whaley Ln / Start Ln junction, and iii. Top Macclesfield Rd.
- c. For Long Hill Layby and Bridgemont opposite old turning to hamlet, a design based on stone mounting was suggested similar to that previously tabled by Barry Rudd. An alternative might be the Footsteps or WBTC logos.
- d. The motif would be “Welcome to Whaley Bridge”.

6. Other projects:

- a. Continue the waymarking through to Fernilee

- b.** Chris Tetley to apply Linseed oil to benches maintained by us.
- c.** Support was given to the use of our funds to get the Mechanics Clock back in service, albeit it may need replacing.