

Nailsea Neighbourhood Watch

Minutes of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held on Wednesday 4th July 2018 at the United Reformed Church, Nailsea

- 1. Welcome:** The Chair Sue Lomax was pleased to welcome everyone to a well-attended meeting and copies of the Minutes of the last meeting and the audited Accounts were circulated.
 - 2. Apologies:** Anne Slade.
 - 3. Minutes of the last meeting** on July 5th 2017. They were proposed as a true record of the meeting by Brenda Dashfield and seconded by Pam Wakeling.
 - 4. Matters arising:** None
 - 5. The Chair delivered her report** and there were no questions (copy available on the web site).
 - 6. The Treasurer delivered his report.** The Accounts were reported in detail by the outgoing Treasurer, Colin Oliver. In view of some loss of funding schemes, increases in some charges and an anticipated increase in printing costs, it was agreed to retain the annual subscription of £1 to mitigate the predicted slight excess in Expenditure over Income in the coming year. The use of over-the-counter/online banking payments has increased to 84.5% of subscriptions received and coordinators were thanked for their cooperation in easing the load, especially at the December meeting. Thanks were also extended to John Hughes for carrying out the Audit of the Accounts and to Sandra Hearne for taking on the role of treasurer.
- Due to the new General Data Protection Regulations members must now “opt in” to receiving email alerts and any sharing of personal data. Consequently, if members’ subscription slips are not returned by December it will be necessary to remove their details from any records held. It was suggested that December may be too long a timespan. The September newsletter containing the subs payment slips will make it clear a member’s name will be removed if they do not return a slip. After clarification on the effect of the new regulations there were no further questions.
- 7. Schemes update:** Tim Holman introduced himself, having taken over as Schemes Coordinator earlier in the year, and advised there are 155 active schemes, the smallest with four members and the largest having 86. Although this covers a creditable 50% of Nailsea efforts will be made to boost coverage with leaflet drops. Four schemes currently require new coordinators and he explained that when coordinators cannot be replaced schemes must be de-registered and signs removed.

8. Election of Officers: Apart from Sandra Hearne as Treasurer, no new names had been submitted in advance of the meeting. All existing committee members had agreed to stand again.

Chair – Sue Lomax was nominated by Brenda Dashfield, seconded by Bert Smith and confirmed by a unanimous vote. Secretary – Anne Slade, proposed by Nick Hastings, seconded by Pam Wakeling; Treasurer – Sandra Hearne, proposed by Bert Smith, seconded by Gaynor Targett, were also confirmed by unanimous vote.

The remaining committee members to stand again – Colin Oliver, Brenda Dashfield, Nick Hastings, Pam Wakeling and Tim Holman – were all confirmed by unanimous vote. As there were no nominations for Vice Chair a request to fill this post will be placed in the next Newsletter.

After thanks from PC Peter Rook for our donation to purchase cycle marking kits, followed by his summary of the measures taken during the past year by police in Nailsea to combat crime and proactively tackle anti-social behaviour, the meeting closed at 7:55pm.

(Minutes compiled by Angela Oliver on behalf of

Anne Slade, Secretary)