

STANDISH VOICE

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES MARCH 16, 2020

The meeting commenced at 7.45pm

Management Committee present: Gill Foster, Sarah Djali, Janet Monks, Kathy Robertson, Allan Foster, Paul Ogden, Diane Gore, Brian Jones, Fran Aiken, Karen Bliss

1. **Apologies:** Ron Wade, Nicky Ogden, Andrew Holiday, David King, Nic MacMillan
2. **Minutes:** The minutes of the January and November (2019) Management Committee meetings were passed without alteration. February was an advisory meeting as it was inquorate – no decisions were taken at that meeting.
3. **Update:** A planned meeting with the Chief Executive of Wigan Council during March had been cancelled.
4. **Planning applications:** Allan reported that a planning application to form a gravel track into Green Belt on Almond Brook Road for maintenance of the area had been refused by Wigan Council. Standish Voice had objected to the application as it was unnecessary development in the Green Belt and we also raised highway safety concerns and objected to the felling of a tree.
5. **Neighbourhood Forum redesignation:** Paul reported that he had publicised the redesignation consultation on social media and in emails to the membership. There were two days to go until the consultation passed. The council would then consider our application to redesignate Standish Voice as the Neighbourhood Forum for the village for another five years. A decision was expected in May.
6. **Events:** Kathy reported that event planning for the Myles Standish Celebration and Standish Christmas Market were ongoing.
7. **Update from lead committee members:** Gill said the Coronavirus pandemic was of great concern and suggestions of a lockdown could impact future public meetings of Standish Voice.
7. **Date of next meeting:** The date of the next meeting was set as April 15th.

The meeting ended at 8.30pm