

# **STANDISH VOICE**

## MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES MARCH 18TH, 2025

**The meeting commenced at 7.45pm**

**Management Committee present:** Kathy Robertson, Allan Foster, Nicky Ogden, Gill Foster, Diane Gore, Paul Ogden, Sarah Djali, Judith Atherton.

1. **Apologies:** Ron Wade, Janet Monks, Sharon Gerrard, Fran Aiken.
2. **Minutes:** The minutes of February Management Committee meeting were passed without alteration.
3. **Meetings with Wigan Council:** Details of the recent meeting will be covered in the following items
4. **Planning applications:** No applications and the appeals against the refusal of planning permission at Pepper Lane and Chorley Road in October had not yet been filed.
5. **Wigan Local Plan update:** The Local Plan consultation is on hold.
6. **Ashfield Park improvements:** Gill said that comments from SV on the improvements to play areas and the proposed outdoor gym were passed to the council. The council said the toddlers play area would not be refurbished as it was assessed as adequate. The zip wire would not be included in the upgrade of the older children's play area. The upgrade will go out to tender and then the exact nature of the new equipment can be assessed. There will be seating and tables added and the team was looking into a new orienteering route.
7. **Quakers Place:** Gill said vegetation has been removed ready for work on expanding the number of car parking places which will start in late spring. The pot hole on Greenland Avenue will be filled in if the contractor and local residents agree as a goodwill gesture during the work.
8. **The Line phase 2 and 3.** Gill said SV and local councillors had a workshop to discuss details on this. A £1m underspend on phase 2 would mean more routes joining The Line could be upgraded. The council was looking at certain routes which would then go out to consultation. Other footpaths which needed improvement were suggested by SV and the councillors.
9. **Standish Christmas Market:** Kathy reported that the first meeting of the new committee had taken place and new initiatives included a report into the potential of storm warnings on the Market; a meeting on car parking had been arranged; a meeting with the council on diversions was being organised and the committee had decided not to book Standish Community Centre for stalls this year.
10. **AOB:** It was agreed to ask Wigan Council for a new traffic survey of Standish at the next meeting with them.
7. **Date of next meeting: April 15th.**

**The meeting ended at 8.50pm**