

Leah Crewe  
Allan Stobie  
Colin Dollimore  
Olwen Bellis  
Jim Moffat  
Peter & Moir Cocker  
David & Gill Guyton  
J & J Sutcliffe  
P White  
Dave Hancock  
J Guest  
B Fox  
M & D Murphy

Val Pilling  
H & K Dixon  
Paul Makin  
Richard Short  
J Pidades  
Pat & Mike Pollard  
Cllr Neil Sullivan  
L & M Shaw  
Carl Lamb  
L MacKenzie  
Shaun Price  
P Robinson  
J & G Birks

APOLOGIES: Sandra Magilton  
Neil & Carole Holmes  
Brian & Christine Westcott

Dave & Kath Craggs  
PCSO Chris Fox  
Cllr Razia Daniels

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and formally congratulated Richard Short on being made an Honorary Alderman. The minutes of the 2012 AGM were accepted as an accurate record, proposed by Richard Short and seconded by Val Pilling.

### **Matters Arising from Minutes**

Nothing to report.

### **Chairman's Report**

DP commenced by reporting on the well-supported sections of the WPRA, namely Evergreen and the Gardening Club. DP joins the local Councillors on the first Saturday of each month at the shops to meet as many people as possible in the area and listen to their concerns.

The development of the Green Belt land behind Sherbourne and Fir Tree Avenues is of concern to Westminster Park residents and is an on-going issue. There are currently 1200 houses in WP and the potential to build 4200 further properties on the land. A working party cleaned up street signs around WP and the Council completed the remainder by providing new signs. WPRA also organised to tidy up the area and ten green bins were filled.

Best kept garden competition went ahead again in 2012. WPRA together with Belgrave School and other local groups celebrated the Jubilee and this was led by Brian Westcott. It was very successful and enjoyed by everyone who attended. Christmas celebrations were also well supported and popular – Belgrave School provided a choir and musicians, whilst the local shops offered refreshments. Thanks to our local Councillors for their support. During the year the Gardening

Advertising revenue increased by £55 to its highest ever level of £250.

A successful quiz night was again held in the Community Centre with an attendance of 58. The draw contributed £104 and this meant an overall surplus of £35. A second very successful musical evening was also held with 65 attending. Again the draw contributed £104 resulting in a surplus of £180.

With the support of Belgrave School, other community groups and the weather an enjoyable Jubilee party was held. Due to a donation of £100 from CWAC and high ice-cream/refreshment sales the overall cost was minimal at £20.

The 'best kept garden' competition cost £65 for vouchers with annual trophy being engraved for free, £77 was also spent on bulb planting but the Gardening Club contributed £75 from plant sales.

Again with support from Belgrave School, CWAC and the local shops but this time despite the weather we were able to have considerable support for the switch on of the Christmas Tree & Lights. Costs £182: tree £70, electrician £100, sundries £12.

As a result of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Consultation Day held at the shops Evergreen was formed. All of its activities are managed by an active sub-committee under the umbrella of the normal WPRA banking and insurance arrangements with any surplus funds being carried forward for their future use.

Secretarial expenses of £72 were higher than normal, Scout Hut hire for AGM £24 and stationery £32.

Printing costs at £669 increased by £193 due to additional Forum pages and subscription forms. Insurance of £241 remained same as previous year.

Overall a surplus of £27 with the Bank & Cash balance remaining healthy at £2,030.

### **Election of Officers**

Chairman	David Pilling
Vice Chairman	Brian Westcott
Secretary	Sue Britton
Treasurer	Nick Ryan

The Committee and Officers were re-elected with no new nominations - proposed Peter Cocker, seconded Penny White. Lesley Morris has resigned from the Committee due to family commitments.

### **Any Other Business**

Wrexham Road Crossing: there is no funding available for a crossing, an island in the middle of the road would be dangerous because of the bus lane. Cllr Sullivan has enquired about other options: a bridge would cost £250k which is more than the cost of a crossing at £100k. Paul Makin suggested DP apply for a breakdown of costings under the Freedom of Information Act as well as approaching Ashgrove Nursery for their support. DP also suggested WPRA fundraising. It was agreed by the majority present that a crossing would be beneficial. It was requested that progress should be reported within a reasonable timescale and not the next AGM. A further suggestion was that the DB1 could run half-hourly.

available on the about 27-28 April 2019. The local plan will be in place by this time next year but might not be detailed. This could take a further two years to finalise. Those present at the meeting would welcome a meeting once there is more information.