



Chairman Gwen Griffiths
Secretary Janet Jaconelli
Treasurer Jeff Eaves

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Management Group, Monday 13 January 2014 at 2pm

Present: Gwen Griffiths, Janet Jaconelli, Jeff Eaves, Alison Keal, Jenny Pearce, Sue Spencer, Jean Penny

1. Apologies for Absence

Marion Lawrie

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

- None

3. Minutes of the Management Group meeting of November 18th 2013

- Agreed and signed

4. Matters arising from the minutes

- **Discussion** re donation to organisations for Whissendine residents e.g. Happy Circle or Age UK instead of VAR as suggested at last meeting. It was decided to leave a decision as an ongoing agenda item.
- Gwen and Janet reported on the dinner for the Rutland Times and Red Cross Inspired Rutland award. WGNS came third. Janet will arrange to have certificate displayed in village hall.
- It was agreed that the Christmas meal was a success and suggested that we return to Exton for the Christmas meal of 2014.

5. Finance and funding

- Jeff presented a statement of the current position. WGNS has a balance of £1,345.38. Outstanding is the cost of £25.50 to subsidise Janet attending the Inspired Rutland dinner.

6. Stats/website

- Sue presented the latest figures showing small increases in recorded phone calls and assignments for December compared to November but a decrease in transport requests: 36 in November and 21 in December. Sue suspects that not all activity was reported.
- There have been changes from the web provider relating to WGNs website. Sue, Janet and Jean will have access details.
- It was agreed that if anyone insists that they pay more than the agreed rates, the difference should be regarded as a donation to WGNS.

7. Phone rota

January 6th	Gwen Griffiths	February 17	
January 13	Alison Keal	February 24	
January 20	Alison Keal	March 3	
January 27	Jenny Pearce	March 10	
February 3	Cathy Billsdon	March 17	Maureen Hodge
February 10	Cathy Billsdon	March 24	Maureen Hodge

- **Changing the phone provider to get better coverage:** After discussion it was agreed that as there was no urgency, WGNS would stay with the same provider to avoid confusion for users.
- **Phone rota coordination:** Alison agreed to take on the role for the phone co-ordinator and will contact Sally, Marion and Pam to ask if they will hold the phone.
- **Action:** As circumstances may have changed, Janet will contact all volunteers to review how they can help including holding the phone and any changes to cars or insurances.

8. Future bimonthly meetings

All agreed

9. Any other business

- Janet had again been contacted by Desford asking about GNS charges. She has sent the WGNS map and charge rates.
- The Rural Community Council is running a conference on Tuesday 11th March 5.45pm - 9.00pm for Good Neighbour Schemes in Leicestershire and Rutland. WGNS has been asked to attend and facilitate a break out group. Gwen and Jean will go. The event and the WGNS messages will be discussed at the next meeting.

10. Date of next meeting

- Next meeting: 6th March 2014 at 2pm.

Minutes prepared by Jean Penny on behalf of Janet Jaconelli, Secretary.