#### Present

Tony Ray (TR); Ian Richardson (IR); Graham Sugden (GS); Hilary Sugden (HS) Michele Mooney (MM); Steve Taylor (ST). Lesley Walton (LW)

### **Apologies**

Barbara Plumtree-Varley (BPV)

# WPRA AGM 2026 booked for 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026

### Agenda

- 1. Matters arising
- 2. LBA's extended daytime flight times proposal
- 3. Lawnswood Roundabout contact with Eric Wright civil Engineers
- 4. PACT meeting feedback
- 5. Community update Beckett University.
- 6. AOB

### 1. Matters Arising

- a. Weetwood Police Station planning permission, still no news after three years. Possibly linked to Lawnswood Roundabout alterations. TR to monitor
- b. TR to attend Parks meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> October re Community Orchard's Interpretation Board
- c. GS contacted by Steve Harris (Kirkstall Neighbourhood Plan Steering group) re LPS00176 Butcher hill options in the Leeds Local Plan. No further news but will keep in contact.
- d. Leeds Local Plan MM raised concerns about difficulty in giving feedback on their website. Not easy to use and a lack of response confirming receipt of comments.

## 2. Leeds Bradford Airport (LBA) proposals

- a. News from GALBA suggests that LBA are putting in a planning application to the council which if successful would increase the permitted day time hours. The current day time hours between 7am and 11pm would be replaced by 6.30am and 11.30pm. There are no restrictions on the number of permitted day flights.
- b. The resulting shorter night flight hours would result in flights being crammed into a shorter time frame.
- c. We understand that LBA have requested a noise 'Quota Count ' of 1375 units for summer night flights. Bearing in mind that newer planes have a score of 0.125 or 0.25 it could result in the number of 'legal' flights increasing from 2 700 to over 7 000
- d. WPRA to write to councillors and MP to raise our concerns. MM
- e. GS to contact members via email and Facebook to raise awareness of the issue and encourage them to contact the above.

#### 3. Lawnswood Roundabout update

a. Ongoing monthly meetings with reps from Eric Wright construction continue to be productive.

- b. A well-attended drop-in session at the Weetwood Hall Hotel took place on 7 Oct. This gave attendees the opportunity to raise issues. These included increased traffic pollution, speeding traffic on Wynford Avenue avoiding the roundabout and potential hazards for cyclists.
- c. More night work involved than expected moving temporary traffic lights, unforeseen problems etc. Hopefully will soon settle down.
- d. The project is currently on schedule
- e. To receive weekly updates, contact Lesley Davison (Public Liaison Officer) at <a href="mailto:LawnswoodEnquiries@ericwright.co.uk">LawnswoodEnquiries@ericwright.co.uk</a>
- f. New traffic regulations to be introduced in the area linked to no stopping, loading. Also reduced speed limits on the Ring Road East of the roundabout. Some uncertainty as to whether the bus lane to the south will become 24/7 as opposed to the current 7.30 to 9.30am. Makes sense to keep it as it is.

# 4. Feedback from PACT meeting 1 October

- **a.** Halloween and Bonfire Night are now on the horizon. We are asked to phone 101 to report any anti-social behaviour linked to these events. People who were reported last year are in the process of being visited by PCSOs to remind them of the need to behave.
- **b.** The target for the next six weeks is to continue monitoring speed of vehicles on Weetwood Lane and to focus on illegal parking/waiting near the junction of Weetwood Lane and the Otley Road
- **c.** Fuller feedback was distributed to members on 13 October.

### 5. Community update - Beckett University (Headingley Site)

- a. Gareth Wilce (Community Relations at Leeds Beckett University) has emailed details of upcoming events.
  - i. Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November Open Day
  - ii. Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November Open Day
  - iii. A free shuttle service will be available to ferry students to and from the site
- b. Run for all events in aid of MND (Rob Burrow/Kevin Sinfield)
  - i. Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2pm Leeds Santa Dash 3km
  - ii. Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026, 11am MND mile
  - iii. Further details on the university site
- c. GS to contact Gareth re positioning of coaches on the days.

#### 6. AOB

- a. Concerns raised by LW that mown grass on West Park Fields hay meadow (top of Kepstorn Road) not removed which could limit the growth of wild flowers next spring. Also, untidy pruning of hedges. TR to follow up
- b. Subscriptions due beginning of February 2026
- c. Resurfacing of Thornfield and North Parade will not happen until 2026/27. In the meantime, work will focus on filling potholes
- d. WPRA 2026 AGM now booked for Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March at St Chad's C of E Primary School. GS to contact MP and councillors

Date of next meeting Monday 15 December 2025 at 7.15pm HS 21/10/2025