

Whetstone Good Neighbour Scheme
9th Annual General Meeting
Monday 19th January 2026 6.45pm
Meeting:- Whetstone Parish Offices, Edward Wright Room
Cemetery Road Whetstone

Attendees:

Principal Officers: Sally Batham (Chair) Veronica Rye (Secretary) Richard Caple (Treasurer)

Management Committee Members: Jenny Hilton, Helen Caple

Volunteers: Dave Hill, Norman Batham

Service Users: No service users in attendance

Invited Guests: No invited guests were in attendance

Minutes

1. Opening Remarks and Welcome: The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming those in attendance and thanking them for their support of the WGNS.
2. Apologies for Absence: Lynn Gutteridge, Steve Webb
3. Approval of Previous Minutes: Minutes of the previous AGM have been distributed and were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting. The minutes were signed off by the Chair.
4. Presentation of Annual Report: The annual report was shared by the Chair with all attendees, and the following key points were highlighted: the scheme continues to be successful and an asset to the community of Whetstone. In person / telephone befriending and support with transport to appointments remain the priorities. There are currently over 80 registered service users. More than 1200 jobs were completed by volunteers over 12 months. Activities continue to be supported by grants, The Blaby Lottery and service user donations.
5. Presentation of Annual Accounts: The treasurer highlighted the key points in the accounts which had been issued to all attendees. The annual accounts were approved.
6. Election of Principal Officers and Management Group: Nominations were received for the management posts and voting took place. The results are as follows

Role	Nominee	Votes For	Votes Against	Abstentions	Outcome
Principal Officers					
Chair	Sally Batham	6	0	0	Elected
Secretary	Veronica Rye	6	0	0	Elected
Treasurer	Richard Caple	6	0	0	Elected
Additional Management Team Members					
Safeguarding Lead	Helen Caple	6	0	0	Elected
Volunteer Representative	Norman Batham	6	0	0	Elected
Call Co-ordinator	Jenny Hilton	6	0	0	Elected
Communications Officer	Steve Webb	7	0	0	Elected

The Chair thanked everyone for their confidence in the elected Management Group to serve for the coming 12 months and wished them all good luck in their new roles.

7. Motions: Dave informed the meeting that through a contact he may be able to access aerial views of the village which could be used in a calendar or other marketing material.

9. Closing Remarks: **A big thank you to all volunteers including those who have now left the scheme.**

The meeting closed at 7:09pm.