

WAAFA Minutes 20131212

Winchester Area Access For All (WAAFA) Meeting

Held 12 December 2013 at 2:00pm

Volvo Room, WACA, The Colebrook Centre, Colebrook Street, Winchester, SO23 9LH

1. Present: Keith Hatter (Chair, Sight Loss), Andy Cadle-Mills (Spinal Injuries Association), Zanell Neethling (Minutes secretary).

2. Apologies: Kim Walsgrove (HCC Senior Access Officer), Dr Ian Barrett (WCC Equalities Advisor), Margaret Gunn, Janet Chierchia (Win & District Mencap and Win & District Carers Forum), Penny Parkinson (Osborne School)

3. Minutes: Of meeting held 21 November 2013 were agreed.

4. Matters Arising:-

Audio announcements on Blue Star buses: Assurance has been given that this will be reinstated in approximately 2 weeks from 22 November, but still not working on 6 December.

KH has visited Hargroves cycle shop in city rd with details for reporting obstruction by vehicles and misdemeanours by cyclists. They seemed positive and to welcome this.

Scaffolding blocking pavement in hyde ST. – This has been removed (possibly because the work has been completed) having been in place for about a month . Despite being promised a reply within 7 working days on 4 separate occasions no response has been received to any report of this to HCC Roads and Transport.

Access Awards – Apart from the magnificent work by Osborne school, we are still unable to find anyone willing to assist with the surveys, and ZN has very kindly been carrying out surveys, and in order to authenticate them more fully, she has arranged to borrow a wheelchair from shopmobility on 19 December and visit shops in it.

9. AOB:

ACM reported that 6 of the Christmas Market stalls in the Cathedral grounds cannot be reached in a wheelchair as they are on the raised area in front of the West Door. He will bring Bruce Winton's attention to this.

The start of the meeting was delayed until 2-30, to allow for more members to arrive, and finished at 3-15.

Date of Next Meeting –

Thursday 16 January at 2pm at the Colebrook Centre, Colebrook Street, Winchester SO23 9LH (Volvo Room)