

# WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2009 IN WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm

02.01.00	<u>CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.	<u>ACTION</u>
02.02.00	<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> Mr Peter Overton asked of members of the meeting if he could explain to them the reasoning behind his planning application, N72/0004/09: Change of use & alterations to agricultural building to form holiday let. There had been some concern by the parish council that the building, once altered, could become a 'residential' building. Mr Overton assured members of the meeting that the building would be 'holiday let' only, and that he had no intention for the agricultural building to become 'residential'.	
02.03.00	<u>PRESENT</u> Mr. J.R Storer, (Chairman), Councillors Mr V Brealey, Mr B Gibson, Mr W. Goodhand, Mr S. Lawson, Mr S Short, and Mr B Wildblood Parish Clerk. Also present were County Councillor R Phillips, District Councillor M Wylie. Mr Peter Overton was also present for part of the meeting.	
02.04.00	<u>APOLOGIES</u> Apologies were received from Mr A Copley	
02.05.00	<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES (MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT) ORDER 2007 (SI2007/1159)</u> No interests declared at this stage of the meeting.	
02.06.00	<u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u> The minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2009, copies of which had been circulated earlier to members of the parish council, were amended, approved and signed.	
02.07.00	<u>CLERK'S REPORT / FINANCIAL REPORT</u> Copies of the clerk's Financial Report for February 2009 were made available to all members of the meeting. There was no Clerk's Report.	
02.08.00 02.08.01  02.08.02	<u>COUNTY COUNCIL / DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS</u> a. <u>District Councillor Wylie's Report: -</u> The District Council will be deciding on their council tax requirements on 26 <sup>th</sup> February.  b. <u>County Councillor Phillips Report: -</u> Councillor Phillips said it was good news as to the Big Lottery Grant for the village hall. The County Council is looking at an increase of 1.75% in their requirements for the next financial year. Highways have been busy over the past few weeks.	
02.09.00	<u>REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS</u> a. <u>Mr Goodhand: -</u> The Welbourn Primary School has just received its Ofsted Inspection Report. The school has received a good report. Mr Goodhand has received a letter from the Heritage Lottery Fund regarding Castle Hill Field. Mr Goodhand will respond to the letter. The Fund requires an update as to how things are progressing on the site in question.	<u>ACTION</u>  WG

02.10.00	<u>PLANNING MATTERS</u>	
02.10.01	<u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u> a. N73/72/0059: Erection of grainstore and formation of new farm access onto Pottergate Road: Chestnut Farm, The Heath, Wellingore (Welbourn Parish) b. Notification to Fell, Lop, Top, or Uproot trees in a Conservation Area: - 1. CA72-96: Rose Cottage, The Nookin, Welbourn 2. CA72-97: Holy Cottage, The Green, Welbourn  It was agreed to hold site meetings in order to discuss the applications.	
02.10.02	<u>SITE MEETING REPORTS</u> a. N72/0004/09: Change of use & alterations to agricultural building to form holiday let: Barn, Hilltop Farm, Welbourn  Members of the meeting were content with the summary as agreed by members of the site meeting that had been held. There was concern that the barn, once altered, did not turn into a residential type of building.	
02.11.00	<u>WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT</u> Mr Storer informed everyone that the project group had only 6 months in which they had to spend the Big Lottery Grant. This wasn't helped by the fact that other parties, which were to be approached for the remainder of the funds required for the development, some of them do not meet until May 2009.	
02.12.00	<u>UPDATE - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: FLOODING ETC</u> The chairman has now received a complaint as to flooding at The Chase, Hall Lane. The complainant has been assured that the flooding was due to the present adverse weather conditions. The flooding problem on the A607 adjacent to the Sir William Robertson High School has been resolved.	
02.13.00	<u>HIGHWAY MATTERS</u> The surface of the road between Welbourn and Brant Broughton is in a poor state, and is also full of potholes.	
02.14.00	<u>VILLAGE HANDYMAN</u> The chairman has been in communication with the council's insurance company, and has been assured that on a 'labour only' basis the existing policy will cover anyone that the council uses as a 'village handyman'. The meeting agreed that no job carried out by the handyman should exceed £50.00 in labour costs.	
02.15.00	<u>PARISH WEBSITE</u> Members of the meeting were informed that the new Webmaster for the parish website was to be Mr Malcolm McBeath, 6 Hall Lane Tel: 279027. Mr McBeath has attended a training course to control the website at County Council HQ. Details as to how to contact him are to be put in the parish magazine.	
02.16.00	<u>INCREASE IN CHARGES: EMPTYING DOG WASTE BINS</u> Details of the new charges for FY2009-2010 were given to the meeting.	
02.17.00	<u>FUNDING FAIR - 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2009. COLEBY VILLAGE HALL</u> Details of the Funding Fair were given to members of the meeting.	
02.18.00	<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> What's On February 2009	

02.19.00	<u>CHEQUES</u> Payment of the following cheques was approved. Proposed by Mr Storer, and seconded by Mr Short:  Welbourn Village Hall Committee.....Hire of village hall. Neighbourhood Watch meetings.....£037.50 B&B Tree Specialists.....Tree maintenance. Castle Hill Field £603.75  Telephone transfer HICA to CA.....£640.00	<u>ACTION</u>
02.20.00	<u>MATTERS FOR URGENT DISCUSSION OR FOR NEXT AGENDA</u> March Agenda: a. Allotments b. Portfolios	
02.21.00	<u>PRESS RELEASES</u> There were no items requiring any press release.	
02.22.00	<u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2009 at 7.30pm.	ALL

There being no further matters to discuss, the chairman duly closed the meeting at 9.25pm