

# WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2008 IN WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm

		<u>ACTION</u>
01.01.00	<u>CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
01.02.00	<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> No matters raised	
01.03.00	<u>PRESENT</u> Mr. J.R Storer, (Chairman), Councillors Mr M Barry, Mr V Brealey, Mr A Copley, Mr. W. Goodhand, Mr. S. Lawson, Mrs M Overton, Mr S Short, and Mr B Wildblood Parish Clerk. Also present were District Councillor M Wylie, and Mr R Gibson. Also present for part of the meeting were Mrs S Berridge, Mrs A Broadbent, and Mr D Stansfield representing the Village Hall Development Project Group.	
01.04.00	<u>APOLOGIES</u> None received	
01.05.00	<u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u> No interests declared at this stage of the meeting.	
01.06.00	<u>VILLAGE HALL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT</u> The representatives of the Village Hall Development Project Group gave the meeting an update regarding their progress in securing a lottery grant for their project. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application for grant (£350k) was submitted last July 2008, and is now at Stage2. £50k of this is required to be met by the applicant.</li> <li>• Of the 160 applications, only 80 will be funded.</li> <li>• A grant for the sum of £20k will be required to cover the initial costs to prepare all the Documentation etc for the next part of the application. The full application is required to be submitted in August 2008. There are 6 months left to prepare for the next stage of the application.</li> <li>• Some information required as part of the application needs to be ratified.</li> <li>• The application so far has met the criteria required. The care homes in the village need also to be considered as part of the criteria. The type of heating needs to be given some thought.</li> <li>• It is hoped to have the plans for the project by the end of February.</li> <li>• A '3 year cash flow' plan will have to be submitted as part of the application.</li> <li>• The Parish Council Chairman and Clerk have both agreed to join the project group.</li> </ul> Having discussed the application in further detail, Mr Short proposed to members of the meeting that Welbourn Parish Council should adopt, and support Stage 2 of the application. Mr Goodhand supported the proposal, and all parish councillors' present gave the proposal their full support. It was then agreed that all Invoices for the project should be made out to Welbourn Parish Council, and that the accounts be handled through the Council, as they would be as a 'local authority' responsible for claiming back any VAT involved.	
01.07.00	<u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u> The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2007, copies of which had been circulated earlier to members of the parish council, were amended, approved, and signed. There was no December Parish Council meeting.	

01.08.00	<u>CLERK'S REPORT / FINANCIAL REPORT</u> Copies of the clerk's Financial Report for January 2008 were made available to all members of the meeting. There was no Clerk's Report.	<u>ACTION</u>
01.09.00	<u>COUNTY COUNCIL / DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS</u> County Councillor Phillips said that he hadn't much to report. However he gave the meeting the following update: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Post Office at Brant Broughton is scheduled for closure.</li> <li>• Councillor Phillips has driven around the parish, and that the Dycote Lane to Brant Broughton road is in a very poor state of repair.</li> <li>• All gulleys on 'A class' roads have now been cleaned out.</li> <li>• The speed camera initiative has gone haywire.</li> </ul> Councillor Phillips was then asked if he would get the Highways Department of the County Council to 'sort' the potholes out in the roads that were within Welbourn village. District Councillor Wylie brought members of the meeting their attention to the following matters: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The District Council is looking at an increase of 4.5% to 5% in their council tax demands for the next FY.</li> <li>• The meeting was reminded as to the Cluster Meeting scheduled for 30<sup>th</sup> January at Waddington Community Centre.</li> <li>• The Planning Application for 21 Crosby Lane has been questioned by the planning department, and that now they have further information as to the why and wherefore of the application, it will now most probably be approved.</li> </ul> District Councillor Overton's January Report had been e-mailed to parish councillors where possible, together with hard copies where parish councillors didn't have e-mail facilities.	
01.10.00	<u>PLANNING MATTERS</u>  01.10.01 <u>SITE MEETING REPORTS</u> a. N72/1406/07: Erection of detached house: Damson Dene, 21 Crosby Lane, Welbourn  Members of the site meeting had supported the application.  01.10.02 <u>PLANNING PERMISSIONS</u> a. N72/1226/07: Erection of dwelling and detached double garage (revised house type incorporating revisions to the size and position of the garage): Plot 5, Castlebeck, Hall Orchard Lane, Welbourn b. N72/1274/07: Creation of vehicular access: 37 Dycote Lane, Welbourn c. N72/1300/07: Erection of detached garage and rear conservatory: 16 Dycote Lane, Welbourn  Details of the Permissions were given to members of the meeting.	
01.11.00	<u>UPDATE - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: FLOODING ETC</u> The chairman gave the meeting his progress report regarding what has been happening as regards work being carried out to prevent any future flooding in the village. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The dyke which takes the surface water from Graves Hill is to be cleaned out, and if possible the flow of water diverted</li> <li>• Moat Lane is still a problem.</li> <li>• The dyke in the field next to where Mr Derek Overton lives is none existent.</li> <li>• All farmers and landowners have been co-operative in getting the problems with</li> </ul>	

01.11.00 contd.	<p>flooding sorted out.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some of the remedial work carried out has been carried out privately, and has not involved any public funding.</li> <li>• The progress of the work is being monitored at all times, and a Progress Report will be put in the parish magazine as part of a press release.</li> </ul>	<u>ACTION</u>
01.12.00	<p><u>HIGHWAY MATTERS</u> Highway matters had been dealt with earlier in the meeting.</p>	
01.13.00	<p><u>QUOTES: MAINTENANCE OF TREES IN VILLAGE</u> Two quotes have been received to carry out the maintenance of a number of trees on Castle Field, and within the village. One quote was for £260.00, but no breakdown of work involved, and the other was for a total of £1050.00. As the amount between the quotes was quite a difference, it was agreed that the contractor quoting for £260.00 should be asked to give a breakdown of the work involved.</p>	
01.14.00	<p><u>BUDGET REQUIREMENTS (PRECEPT) FY 2008-2009</u> In order to agree as what the council should set it's Precept at for FY2008-2009 the clerk had prepared a forecast of the spends for FY 2007-2008. Taking into consideration the clerk's salary, management of Castle Hill Field, and contingency funds, together with routine expenses such as grass cutting, footway lighting, insurance, grants etc., the meeting discussed as to what the Precept should be set at for the next financial year. The funding of the Village Hall Development Project was also taken into consideration. It was proposed by Mr Copley, and seconded by Mr Barry that the Precept be set at £12,300 a 2.5% increase on the current financial year's Precept. Members of the meeting were in full agreement with the proposal.</p>	
01.15.00	<p><u>VOLUNTARY CAR SCHEMES</u> It was agreed that the views of the members of Neighbourhood Watch be sought on the matter.</p>	
01.16.00	<p><u>LOCAL AUTHORITY SHARED OWNERSHIP SCHEME. NKDC</u> Details of the scheme were given to the meeting. Mrs Overton thought the scheme was good for getting a foothold on the 'housing ladder' but that was about all.</p>	
01.17.00	<p><u>PUBLICATION OF THE DRAFT EAST MIDLANDS PLAN PANEL REPORT</u> The chairman explained details of the Report to the meeting. The Report itself consists of 270 pages, and can be downloaded from the internet. The web site is as follows: - <a href="http://www.goem.gov.uk/goem/planning/regional-planning/rsspanelreport">www.goem.gov.uk/goem/planning/regional-planning/rsspanelreport</a> Representations about the Panel report itself are not invited, as the opportunity to comment will be when the Proposed Changes are published next year.</p>	
01.18.00	<p><u>PARISH CLUSTER (CLIFF AREA) MEETING: 30<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2008. REDWOOD DRIVE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WADDINGTON</u> Members of the parish council were reminded as to the date, time and venue of the meeting.</p>	
01.19.00	<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> LCR January 2008 Wayleave Payment £10.63</p>	

01.20.00	<p><u>CHEQUES</u>  Payment of the following cheques was approved. Proposed by Mr Short, and seconded by Mr Goodhand: -</p> <p>E.ON.....Footway lighting. Energy charges.....£181.92</p> <p>The following Invoices were paid during the December recess: -</p> <p>G W King &amp; Sons..... Grass cutting. St. Chad's churchyard.....£174.00  ABB Ltd.....Footway lighting repair.Beck St/Moat Lane.£027.58  ABB Ltd.....Footway lighting maintenance.....£098.88  BT Payment Services Ltd.....Telephone account. IT Room.....£055.26  B Wildblood.....Parish clerk's Quarterly Salary.Oct/Dec.....£250.00  B Wildblood.....Parish clerk's Quarterly Expenses.Oct/Dec.£045.00</p> <p>Transfer HICA to CA.....£650.00</p>	<u>ACTION</u>
01.21.00	<p><u>MATTERS FOR URGENT DISCUSSION OR FOR NEXT AGENDA</u></p> <p>a. A questionnaire 'Facilities for the Disabled' has been received in today's post. The chairman agreed to complete the questionnaire.</p> <p>b. Mr Goodhand asked that a new item be added to each meeting's agenda: ' Report from Portfolio holders '.</p>	
01.22.00	<p><u>PRESS RELEASES</u>  Except for the update regarding the remedial work to solve the flooding problems in the parish, which the chairman will place in the parish magazine, there were no other items requiring any press release.</p>	
01.23.00	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u>  The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2008 at 7.30pm.</p>	ALL

There being no further matters to discuss, the chairman duly closed the meeting at 9.55pm