

WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 14th JANUARY 2009 IN WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm

01.01.00	<u>CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chairman then informed the meeting that Councillor Barry had decided to resign his post as Parish Councillor.	<u>ACTION</u>
01.02.00	<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> No matters raised	
01.03.00	<u>PRESENT</u> Mr. J.R Storer, (Chairman), Councillors Mr V Brealey, Mr A Copley, Mr B Gibson, Mr W. Goodhand, Mr. S. Lawson, Mrs M Overton, and Mr B Wildblood Parish Clerk. Also present was District Councillor M Wylie.	
01.04.00	<u>APOLOGIES</u> Apologies were received from Mr M Barry and Mr S Short.	
01.05.00	<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES (MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT) ORDER 2007 (SI2007/1159)</u> Mrs Overton declared a prejudicial interest in Planning Application N72/0004/09, and was not present in the room when the item was discussed.	
01.06.00	<u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u> The minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 12 th November 2008, copies of which had been circulated earlier to members of the parish council, were approved and signed. (There was no December 2008 meeting)	
01.07.00	<u>CLERK'S REPORT / FINANCIAL REPORT</u> Copies of the clerk's Financial Report for January 2009 were made available to all members of the meeting. There was no Clerk's Report.	
01.08.00 01.08.01 01.08.02	<u>COUNTY COUNCIL / DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS</u> a. <u>District Councillor Wylie's Report: -</u> There are to be new routes and dates for the collection of household rubbish. This will be combined with a reduction of the collection of garden waste. The next meeting of the Cliff Edge Cluster group is scheduled for 21 st January. b. <u>District Councillor Overton's Report: -</u> Mrs Overton began by congratulating the Village Hall Project Group in obtaining a lottery grant towards the funding of the project. The County Council is looking to raise their budget for the FY 2009-2010. A new group has been set up by the County Council to cover childcare within the county. Grants from Central Government will still be received. The District Council is aiming for an increase of 3.8% in their budget for the next FY. There is concern as to the number of trees which could be felled if the Maltings development goes ahead in Sleaford. Grants of up to 30% will be available for mortgages for anyone purchasing 'affordable housing', and there will be more support for small businesses.	

01.09.00	<p><u>REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS</u></p> <p>a. <u>Mr Copley:</u> - The Speed Indicator Device (SID) is now being deployed within the Cliff Villages Cluster Group.</p> <p>b. <u>Mr Goodhand:</u> - The Welbourn Primary School has just received its OFSTED Inspection. Members of staff thought the inspection had gone well.</p>	<u>ACTION</u>
01.10.00	<p><u>PLANNING MATTERS</u></p>	
01.10.01	<p><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u></p> <p>a. Notification to Fell, Lop, Top or Uproot trees in a Conservation Area: No 2 The Green, Welbourn</p> <p>b. N72/1103/08: Erection of dwelling: Land adjacent Holly Cottage, The Nookin, Welbourn</p> <p>c. N72/0004/09: Change of use & alterations to agricultural building to form holiday let: Barn, Hill Top Farm, Welbourn</p> <p>Details of the applications were given to members of the meeting. It was agreed that a site meeting be convened to discuss the application for Hill Top Farm. The chairman asked that all councillors should attend the site meeting if possible as the husband of a fellow councillor, Mr Peter Overton, had submitted the application.</p>	
01.10.02	<p><u>PLANNING PERMISSION</u></p> <p>a. N72/1103/08: Erection of dwelling: Land adjacent Holly Cottage, The Nookin, Welbourn</p> <p>Details of the permission were given to members of the meeting</p>	
01.11.00	<p><u>WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT</u></p> <p>Funding towards the project has now been obtained from the Big Lottery (£299,993.00). The group now requires match funding of £50k. The Village Hall Management Committee has pledged a further £6k towards the project. The next step will be to invite local builders to tender to carry out the work involved.</p>	
01.12.00	<p><u>UPDATE - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: FLOODING ETC</u></p> <p>The chairman gave members of the meeting his latest update as to work that had been carried out in order to help alleviate the flooding problems within the parish. The Environmental Agency has agreed to calculate as to what the water flow is from the fields adjacent to the A607. This should give Highways some idea as to the size of pipe required to cross under the A607 in order to drain the surface water away and prevent any further flooding.</p>	
01.13.00	<p><u>HIGHWAY MATTERS</u></p> <p>There is a pothole in Cow Lane that requires to be made good.</p>	BW
01.14.00	<p><u>REVIEW OF PORTFOLIOS</u></p> <p>It was agreed to carry out the review at a later date.</p>	
01.15.00	<p><u>PRECEPT REQUIREMENTS. FY 2009-2010</u></p> <p>In order to agree as what the council should set it's Precept at for FY2009-2010 the clerk had prepared a forecast of the spends for FY 2008-2009. 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. Funding towards the Village Hall Development Project was also taken into consideration. It was proposed by Mr Storer, and seconded by Mr Copley that the Precept be set at £14k. Members of the meeting were in full agreement with the proposal.</p>	

01.16.00	<u>MAINTENANCE OF CASTLE HILL</u> Work to carry out the work to some of the trees was now in hand, although the start date given by the contractor had not been adhered to. The clerk agreed to ask the contractor to begin the work as soon as possible. The replacement or repair of the two bench seats was in hand.	<u>ACTION</u> BW
01.17.00	<u>CONSULTATION: LINCOLNSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE'S INTEGRATED RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN: YEAR SIX ACTION PLAN 2009/2010</u> Document will be left in Information Technology Room in order that councillors can study it for themselves.	
01.18.00	<u>CONSULTATION: COMMUNITIES IN CONTROL: REAL PEOPLE, REAL POWER: CODE OF RECOMMENDED PRACTICE ON LOCAL AUTHORITY PUBLICITY</u> Mr Goodhand agreed to study the document, which set out the details regarding the consultation.	WG
01.19.00	<u>THE NORTH KESTEVEN SUSTAINABLE STRATEGY 2008-2018</u> Document will be left in Information Technology Room in order that councillors can study it for themselves.	ALL
01.20.00	<u>PARISH ALLOTMENTS</u> There was an application from Mr & Mrs Streeter to rent one of the parish allotments. The clerk informed the meeting that at present there were no vacant allotments.	
01.21.00	<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> Salting Routes. LCC LCR. January 2009 What's On January 2009 Wayleave payment: £10.89	
01.22.00	<u>CHEQUES</u> Payment of the following cheques was approved. Proposed by Mr Storer, and seconded by Mr Copley: - E.ON.....Energy charges, Footway lighting... £252.16 B Wildblood.....Parish clerk's quarterly salary..Oct-Dec08 £250.00 B Wildblood.....Parish clerk's quarterly expenses..Oct-Dec 08 £45.00 Telephone transfer HICA to CA.....£540.00 The following invoices were paid during the December recess: - E.O.N UK Energy Services Ltd... .Maintenance charges. Footway lighting £097.67 BT Payment Services Ltd..... Telephone account.....£057.39 Telephone transfer HICA to CA.....£100.00	
01.23.00	<u>MATTERS FOR URGENT DISCUSSION OR FOR NEXT AGENDA</u> Next Agenda: - a. Parish Website b. Village Handyman	
01.24.00	<u>PRESS RELEASES</u> There were no items requiring any press release.	
01.25.00	<u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 11 th February 2009 at 7.30pm.	<u>ACTION</u> ALL

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There being no further matters to discuss, the chairman duly closed the meeting at 9.15pm