

WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13th JUNE 2007 IN WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00pm

		<u>ACTION</u>
06.01.00	<u>CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
06.02.00	<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> No matters raised	
06.03.00	<u>PRESENT</u> Mr. J.R Storer, (Chairman), Councillors Mrs M Overton, Mr. M. Barry, Mr. W. Goodhand, Mr. S. Lawson, Mr S Short and Mr B Wildblood Parish Clerk. Also present were District Councillor Mr. M. Wylie, Mr V Brealey, and Mr A Copley.	
06.04.00	<u>APOLOGIES</u> No apologies received	
06.05.00	<u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u> No interests declared at this stage of the meeting.	
06.06.00	<u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u> The minutes of the meetings held on Wednesday 11 th April 2007, and Wednesday 9 th May 2007 respectively, copies of which had been circulated earlier to members of the parish council, were approved, and signed.	
06.07.00	<u>CLERK'S REPORT / FINANCIAL REPORT</u> Copies of the clerk's Financial Report for June were made available to all members of the meeting. There was no Clerk's Report.	
06.08.00	<u>DISTRICT COUNCIL / COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS</u> <u>Councillor Overton gave the following information to the meeting: -</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lincolnshire Teaching Primary Care Trust (PCT) has initiated a public consultation on the future of healthcare in Lincolnshire. The reply to the document will consist of a 'tick box system'. There will also be a space to write comments. The consultation period is 9th May to 9th August 2007. • There will be a new 'Code of Conduct' for all councillors. • It has been 100 years since women have been allowed to take part in local government. <p>Copies of Councillor Overton's Newsletter have been e-mailed to members of Welbourn Parish Council where possible.</p> <u>Councillor Wylie gave the following information to the meeting: -</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A 'cluster' meeting of the local group of parish councils took place on 5th June last. There will be a change to the grouping system. • Having attended Leadenham Parish Council's June meeting, they have agreed that the liaison meetings between Leadenham and Welbourn should continue. • There will be a planning meeting by NKDC tomorrow (Thursday). A planning guide is in the process of being produced. • There is to be a review of Conservation Areas. 	

06.09.00	<p><u>WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL EXTENSION</u></p> <p>It will be at least 6 months before anything is heard from the Lottery regarding the bid for funding towards the proposed village hall extension.</p> <p>Copies of the parish council's bank statements have been requested by the Lottery.</p> <p>Mr Barry reported that the village hall committee was not happy with the standard of the grass cutting.</p> <p>The grass is being cut every week on Castle Hill Field in preparation for the 'Welbourn Fun Weekend' scheduled for 30th June/1st July.</p>	<u>ACTION</u>
06.10.00	<p><u>CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS</u></p> <p>The Chairman welcomed Mr Brealey and Mr Copley to the meeting, both of whom were interested in being co-opted onto the Parish Council.</p> <p>Mr Storer proposed that their co-option onto Welbourn Parish Council should go ahead. Mrs Overton seconded this. Members of the meeting were in full agreement with the proposal.</p> <p>Necessary documentation to be completed prior to the start of the July Council meeting.</p>	VB/AC
06.11.00	<p><u>ADOPTION OF REVISED 'MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT (the code)' 3rd MAY 2007</u></p> <p>Each Parish Councillor were given a copy of the revised 'Model Code of Conduct' to read for themselves.</p> <p>Item to be discussed again at the July meeting.</p>	ALL
06.12.00	<p><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u></p>	
06.12.01	<p><u>SITE MEETING REPORTS</u></p> <p>a. N72/0425/07: Erection of detached house and associate garage: Plot 11, Hall Orchard Lane, Welbourn.</p> <p>b. N72/0558/07: Extension of existing garage: 12 Dycote Lane, Welbourn</p> <p>Members of the site meetings had supported both planning applications, although it was thought there were a lot of changes to the drawings regarding the one for Plot 11.</p>	
06.12.02	<p><u>CONSERVATION AREA BOOKLETS. NKDC</u></p> <p>The booklets are in the process of being prepared by the District Council.</p>	
06.13.00	<p><u>PARISH PLAN</u></p> <p>There was no update as regards the Plan, although a team from NKDC has been in the village today making a DVD of 'How to make a Parish Plan'.</p>	
06.14.00	<p><u>HIGHWAY MATTERS</u></p> <p>A letter has been received from Mr & Mrs Milton, The Green, requesting that an additional street sign be placed on The Green. There was also a requirement for a sign outside No 1 Beck Street. There is no street sign here saying 'Beck Street'.</p> <p>The clerk agreed to contact the District Council on both matters.</p> <p>The request for an additional 'bus stop sign for The Green for 'buses north bound will be discussed at the July meeting.</p>	BW
06.15.00	<p><u>PARISH PARTNERSHIPS</u></p> <p>Representatives from the parish council have attended the presentation that was held to discuss the Partnerships. According to Sue Chambers, who gave the presentation, there are funds available from the District Council for Partnerships.</p> <p>As part of the presentation Climate Change was discussed.</p> <p>Two issues also raised during the presentation, were the threat of Post Office closures, and 'Affordable Housing'.</p> <p>As regards the 'East Spatial Strategy' if this is adopted it would have a knock on effect.</p> <p>The County Council is now looking at the position of the Lincoln Eastern Bypass. This could affect the proposed route of the Southern Bypass.</p>	

06.16.00	<u>LIAISON WITH LEADENHAM PARISH COUNCIL</u> As recorded earlier in the minutes, the liaison between Leadenham Parish Council and Welbourn is to continue. The clerk has already spoken to Leadenham's new Parish Clerk regarding the matter.	<u>ACTION</u>
06.17.00	<u>COUNCILLOR'S PORTFOLIO'S</u> Members of the meeting discussed as to how each parish councillor could assist each other by every councillor being given a portfolio. Documents relating to each councillor's portfolio could be studied, and reports prepared prior to meetings of the council. In order to give councillors time to think the matter over, it was agreed to discuss the subject further at the July meeting, together with as to how frequent Parish Council meetings should be held.	
06.18.00	<u>THREAT TO RURAL POST OFFICES</u> Mr Goodhand had no further news to report on the matter.	
06.19.00	<u>REPORT: HERITAGE GROUP MEETING</u> Mr Goodhand informed the meeting the Heritage Group had held a meeting last Monday, and that there were 9 people present at the meeting. It is intended that the group produce leaflets giving details of village trails, services, and access points, together with a map of the area.	
06.20.00	<u>SMOKE FREE ENGLAND. 1ST JULY 2007</u> Details of the brochure 'Smoke Free England. 1 st July 2007' and it's contents, were given to members of the meeting.	
06.21.00	<u>CASTLE HILL</u> The Chairman reported that tree roots were blocking the outlet to the moat area, and this was holding back the flow of water from the moat itself. Mrs Overton proposed, and Mr Storer seconded that Brian Wills should be asked to have a look at the moat outlet, and carry out any remedial work that was required. Mr Wills also to be asked to cut the hedge to Castle Hill Field (opposite The Beck) ready for the Welbourn Fun Weekend, together with strimming around the information boards on the field.	
06.22.00	<u>AGREEMENT FOR UNMETERED ELECTRICITY CONNECTIONS</u> Agreement still requires signature. Clerk to pass document to Chairman for approval, and signature.	
06.23.00	<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> Travel Transport Rural Links. Spring 2007	
06.24.00	<u>CHEQUES</u> Payment of the following cheques was approved. Proposed by Mrs Overton, and seconded by Mr Storer: - Welbourn Village Hall Committee.....Annual Grant etc.....£650.00 Chris Bleaden Ground Maintenance.....Grass cutting etc. April 07.....£508.54 G W King & Sons.....Grass cutting. St. Chad's churchyard.....£242.00 British Telecommunications plc.....Telephone Account. IT Room.....£048.00 ABB Ltd.....Maintenance. Footway lighting.....£098.00 B Wildblood.....Parish clerk's Q Salary. April-June 07.....£250.00 B Wildblood.....Parish clerk's Q Expenses. April-June 07.....£045.00 Chris Bleaden Ground Maintenance.....Grass cutting etc. May 07.....£753.00 Transfer HICA to CA.....£2596.00	

06.25.00	<u>MATTERS FOR URGENT DISCUSSION OR FOR NEXT AGENDA</u> a. Additional 'bus stop. The Green	<u>ACTION</u>
06.26.00	<u>PRESS RELEASES</u> There were no items requiring any press release.	
06.27.00	<u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 11 th July 2007 at 7.30pm.	ALL

There being no further matters to discuss, the chairman duly closed the meeting at 9.19pm