

WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 11th MARCH 2009 IN WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm

		<u>ACTION</u>
03.01.00	<u>CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
03.02.00	<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> Members of the meeting welcomed PC Pete Hanson, the new Area Beat Manager, having taken on the role from PC Pond who has now retired from Lincolnshire Police. PC Hanson gave the meeting a résumé of his service with Lincolnshire Police. It was then suggested that subjects for Neighbourhood Watch meetings be discussed. News that the Lincolnshire Police Authority has funded the purchase of two new goal posts for Welbourn Playing Field was then given to the meeting.	
03.03.00	<u>PRESENT</u> Mr. J.R Storer, (Chairman), Councillors Mr V Brealey, Mr A Copley, Mr B Gibson, Mr W. Goodhand, Mr S. Lawson, and Mr B Wildblood Parish Clerk. Also present were District Councillor M Wylie, Mrs S Berridge, PC Hanson, and PCSO Lingard.	
03.04.00	<u>APOLOGIES</u> Apologies were received from Mr S Short	
03.05.00	<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.	
03.06.00	<u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u> The minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 11 th February 2009, copies of which had been circulated earlier to members of the parish council, were amended, approved, and signed.	
03.07.00	<u>CLERK'S REPORT / FINANCIAL REPORT</u> Copies of the clerk's Financial Report for March 2009 were made available to all members of the meeting. There was no Clerk's Report.	
03.08.00 03.08.01	<u>COUNTY COUNCIL / DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS</u> a. <u>District Councillor Wylie's Report: -</u> PC Hanson has visited all parish councils that are on his beat. The barn conversion for Hill Top Farm has received planning permission, although there are some Conditions imposed as part of the permission. Council Tax bills have now been sent out by NKDC. There is to be a Cluster Meeting for Cliff Edge parish councils on 1 st April next.	
03.09.00 03.09.01	<u>REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS</u> a. <u>Mr Copley/Mr Gibson</u> Mr Copley and Mr Gibson have recently attended a meeting with the Chief Constable, Lincolnshire Police.	

03.10.00	<u>PLANNING MATTERS</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
03.10.01	<u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u> a. N72/0079/09: Residential development (Reserved matters): Borfa-Wen Farm, Hall Orchard Lane, Welbourn b. N72/0105/09: Two storey side & rear extension: 3 High Street, Welbourn It was agreed to support in principle the residential development of Borfa-Wen Farm, although there was concern as to the infrastructure of any new sewage system on the site, and the drainage of any surface water, as the existing system was found to require upgrading. There was also concern as to whether there was any asbestos contamination on the site. What type of materials would be used to construct the dwellings was also a concern. The two-storey extension etc. for No 3 High Street was also supported in principle.	
03.10.02	<u>PLANNING PERMISSIONS</u> Notification to Fell, Lop, Top or Uproot trees in a Conservation Area: a. CA72-96: Rose Cottage, The Nookin, Welbourn b. CA72-97: Holly Cottage, The Green, Welbourn Details of both permissions were given to members of the meeting.	
03.11.00	<u>WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT</u> Mrs Berridge, representing the Village Hall Development Group, gave members of the meeting an update as to what progress was being made regarding requesting further grants to pay towards the project. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group has applied to the County Council for match funding. • WREN is next in line. • The meeting agreed that the parish council chairman, together with the vice-chairman could act as signatories for the WREN application. Mr Storer later gave the meeting details as to a notice which was to be posted on the parish notice board asking for local contractors to apply to be considered to formally tender to carry out the work involved. Requests to be in by 27 th March next and a meeting will be held on 30 th March between the parish council and the development group to decide as to whom should go through to the next stage of tendering. A civilian company/quantity surveyor will be employed to oversee the tendering system.	
03.12.00	<u>UPDATE - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: FLOODING ETC</u> Mr Storer gave members of the meeting his latest progress report regarding what work was in hand to help alleviate the flooding problems in the village. Hall Orchard Lane was still a problem. Cow Lane work was in hand. Hall Lane and the A607 problem were being looked at. Mr Storer was hoping to meet a civil engineer tomorrow (Thursday), in order to ascertain as to what amounts of top water was being drained from the hillside area adjoining the A607.	
03.13.00	<u>HIGHWAY MATTERS</u> Most of the local minor roads were in a poor state of repair. The steps, which are, part of the fieldpath scheme and are the access to the old railway embankment path at the rear of the school, are in a poor state of repair.	
03.14.00	<u>UPDATE: AREA RESPONSE TEAMS. LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL</u> Highways, Lincolnshire County Council has now written to the council stating that they were hoping to start doing minor repairs in the parish, the work to be carried out by the Area Response Teams. The chairman asked that councillors prepare a list of required work for the next meeting.	ALL

03.15.00	<u>NOTICE OF VACANCY IN THE POST OF PARISH COUNCILLOR</u> The correct notice of the vacancy of Parish Councillor is now on the public notice board outside the Post Office.	<u>ACTION</u>
03.16.00	<u>VILLAGE HANDYMAN</u> David Sharpe, who is now carrying out the role of village handyman, has been busy cleaning up the area around The Beck, the culvert in Moat Lane, and the roadside area around Castle Hill Field. £1k has been included in the Precept to cover all the handyman's costs etc.,. There is quite an amount of work, which will be required to be carried out on Castle Hill Field. Two of the interpretation boards are in a poor state of repair. It was agreed that a list of required work for the field needs to be compiled.	
03.17.00	<u>PARISH ALLOTMENTS</u> The 5-bar entrance gate has sagged again, and the grass paths between each allotment are gradually disappearing It was agreed that the allotment holders be invited to the May meeting so that the way a head for the allotments can be discussed.	
03.18.00	<u>PORTFOLIOS</u> The chairman discussed with the councillors present as to who should be given a portfolio, and what areas they could cover. It was agreed to discuss portfolios at the April meeting.	
03.19.00	<u>GRASS CUTTING ETC. FY 2009-2010</u> All parish councillors have received a copy of the letter received from the grass-cutting contractor setting out the costs to cut the grass in the village for the next FY. Members of the meeting agreed to accept the new quotes.	
03.20.00	<u>FRAUDULENT CHEQUE</u> The chairman gave the meeting details of a cheque that someone had hoped to fraudulent draw money from the council. Luckily the bank had intervened, and the cheque is now subject to an investigation by the bank. Members of the meeting were shown a photocopy of the cheque in question.	
03.21.00	<u>ANNUAL PARISH MEETING</u> The clerk agreed to check the village hall bookings diary to see what suitable dates were available for the meeting.	
03.22.00	<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> What's On March 2009 LCR March 2009	
03.23.00	<u>CHEQUES</u> Payment of the following cheques was approved. Proposed by Mr Storer, and seconded by Mr Copley: BT Payment Services Ltd.....Telephone Account.IT Room.....£055.99 E.ON Payment Services Ltd.....Maintenance charges. Footway lighting £097.67 B.Wildblood.....Parish clerk's Quarterly Salary Jan/March....£250.00 B.Wildblood.....Parish clerk's Quarterly Expenses Jan/March....£045.00 David Sharpe.....Clearing beck, etc.....£180.00 Telephone transfer HICA to CA.....£630.00	

03.24.00	<u>MATTERS FOR URGENT DISCUSSION OR FOR NEXT AGENDA</u> a. April Agenda: - Portfolio's	<u>ACTION</u>
03.25.00	<u>PRESS RELEASES</u> There were no items requiring any press release.	
03.26.00	<u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was to be confirmed.	ALL

There being no further matters to discuss, the chairman duly closed the meeting at 10.00pm