

WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2007 IN WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm

		<u>ACTION</u>
11.01.00	<u>CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
11.02.00	<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> No matters raised	
11.03.00	<u>PRESENT</u> Mr. J.R Storer, (Chairman), Councillors Mr M Barry, Mr V Brealey, Mr A Copley, Mr. W. Goodhand, Mrs M Overton, Mr. S. Lawson, Mr S Short, and Mr B Wildblood Parish Clerk. Also present was District Councillor M Wylie, and Mr R Gibson (Representing Parish Plan Group)	
11.04.00	<u>APOLOGIES</u> None received	
11.05.00	<u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u> No interests declared at this stage of the meeting.	
11.06.00	<u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u> The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 10 th October 2007, copies of which had been circulated earlier to members of the parish council, were approved, and signed.	
11.07.00	<u>CLERK'S REPORT / FINANCIAL REPORT</u> Copies of the clerk's Financial Report for November 2007 were made available to all members of the meeting. There was no Clerk's Report.	
11.08.00	<u>DISTRICT COUNCIL / COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS</u> District Councillor Wylie brought members of the meeting their attention to the following matters: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Wylie's attention had been brought to the fact that there was apparently digging taking place on the plot of vacant land opposite to the local Post Office. Enquiries have ascertained that an archaeological survey was in fact taking place as part of any future planning applications for the site. • There will be funding available for the 'parish clusters' next year. This can be used to help pay for the costs of any training courses for the use of speed cameras. • The District Council anticipates working on a 5% in the council tax requirements for FY2008-2009. Councillor Overton then gave members of the meeting the following information: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A survey has taken place as to what amounts of 'affordable houses' are required within North Kesteven • There has been a good response from members of the public objecting to the closures of Post Offices. • A new vehicle has now been provided to assist in the collection of fly tipping. 	

11.08.00 contd	District Councillor Overton's November report had been e-mailed to parish councillors where possible to do so.	<u>ACTION</u>
11.09.00	<u>PLANNING MATTERS</u>	
11.09.01	<u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</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 It was agreed to hold site meetings to discuss the applications for No 16, and 37 Dycote Lane	
11.09.02	<u>SITE MEETING REPORTS</u> a. N72/1225/07: Erection of a terrace of 3No dwellings, and garages: Plots 6,7, & 8 Castlebeck, Hall Orchard Lane, Welbourn Members of the site meeting had supported the application in principle. It had been noted that there were no chimneys to the terraced houses, plus all the amendments, and revisions over the site as a whole, that had been made over a period of time.	
11.09.03	<u>DEVELOPMENT OF LAND OPPOSITE TO WELBOURN POST OFFICE</u> This had been discussed earlier in the meeting with District Councillor Wylie.	
11.10.00	<u>PARISH PLAN</u> Mr Gibson, together with Mr Copley, as members of the Parish Plan Steering Group, gave members of the meeting an update regarding the Parish Plan. The group will continue to function, but now seeks guidance as to what is required, and what the way ahead was with the Plan. The Steering Group has drawn up a new plan of action, and they will meet early January 2008. A copy of the action plan was handed to the clerk.	
11.11.00	<u>PROGRESS REPORT - CLEARANCE OF DITCHES & DRAINS. WELBOURN PARISH</u> Mr Storer gave members of the meeting an update as to what was happening regarding the plan to prevent future flooding in the village, and along the A607. Mr Hensen. Environmental Dept. NKDC has visited the village and has met with Mr Storer in order to discuss as to what the problems were with the drainage etc. within the parish. Mr Storer then continued by informing the meeting that he had met up with County Council Highways, and Anglian Water. Anglian Water has agreed to investigate the sewage system in the village, and the local farmers and landowners are clearing the access to the ditches, which take the surface water from their land. To clean out the ditches down Dycote Lane, there could be a requirement to close the road in order to allow the work to progress without hindrance from passing vehicles. A broken drain has been found opposite to Cow Lane, and the culvert, which goes under the A607, has been jettied out, and is now clear. The work to replace the pipework under the A607 near to the poultry houses has not yet started. Mr Storer then continued his report by informing everyone that falling leaves were blocking the outlets to The Beck. Mr Brealey volunteered his services by saying that he would unblock the outlets.	
11.12.00	<u>HIGHWAY MATTERS</u> The grips on Mill Hill, and along the A607 have now been sorted.	

11.13.00	<u>THREAT TO RURAL POST OFFICES</u> Mr Goodhand has responded on behalf of the parish council in order to challenge the post office closures. A copy of the letter has also been sent to Mr Hogg, our local MP. The meeting was given details as to what was in the response letter, and a copy of the letter handed to the clerk for the parish council's files.	<u>ACTION</u>
11.14.00	<u>THREAT TO RURAL TRANSPORT</u> Mr Storer has been invited to attend a workshop at Coningsby, which will discuss transport in Lincolnshire.	
11.15.00	<u>REPORT: - CLUSTER MEETING 31ST OCTOBER 2007</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The chairman explained to the meeting as to what the scheme was all about, and what was involved with it. • The housing needs east and south of Lincoln were discussed. • £4k is available to be spent by members of the cluster. This could be possibly spent on hand held speed cameras, or perhaps a hospital car scheme. • Parish Visioning Exercise. Replies are required by today. Mr Goodhand will complete Questionnaire on parish council's behalf. • Community Pay Back Scheme. This could perhaps be used to provide the labour to paint the frontage to the old Co-Op shop on The Green. 	
11.16.00	<u>REPORT: VISIT TO LEADENHAM WASTE DISPOSAL SITE</u> The chairman, having attended the visit, together with members of Leadenham Parish Council gave members of the meeting the following information: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stone extraction on the site has now stopped. • Landfill is now reducing rapidly due to recycling of some of the waste. The site could now last for 90 years. • The site will soon include a 'trade waste' area. 	
11.17.00	<u>UPDATE: CLIENT SERVICES. NKDC</u> Details of the update were given to members of the meeting.	
11.18.00	<u>AGM. LINCOLNSHIRE PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION. COMMITTEE ROOM, NKDC 29th JANUARY 2008</u> Details as to the date and times of the AGM were given to the meeting.	
11.19.00	<u>INTERNAL AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS: FY 2006-2007</u> The internal audit of the accounts for FY2006-2007 has now been carried out by Mrs Elizabeth Bull. It was proposed to the meeting that the chairman and clerk should now duly sign the 'Statement of Assurance' for the year ending 31 st March 2007, and that this is recorded in the minutes of the meeting. The completed document will now be forwarded to Moore Stephens, Chartered Accountants, for external audit.	BW
11.20.00	<u>UPGRADE: FOOTWAY LIGHTING</u> The clerk agreed to obtain quotes to upgrade the lamps to the column outside the old Co-Op shop, and to the one adjacent to No 10 Beck Street.	
11.21.00	<u>PRECEPT REQUIREMENTS: FY 2008-2009</u> Members of the meeting were reminded that the council will be required to set it's Precept requirements at it's January meeting. As part of its requirements there are a number of trees which will require attention in some way or another. Mr Brealey agreed to obtain quotes to carry out the work.	VB

11.22.00	<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> Thank you letter: Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal Letter re: 'bus stop sign. The Green Salting Routes. LCC Emda news Electoral Roll request Continuous Professional Development. (National Training Strategy Booklet) Newsletter: Local Strategic Partnership Community Funding News. Autumn 2007</p>	<u>ACTION</u>
11.23.00	<p><u>CHEQUES</u> Payment of the following cheques was approved. Proposed by Mr Barry, and seconded by Mr Storer: -</p> <p>G W King & Sons.....Grass cutting. St.Chad's churchyard..£242.00 Chris Bleaden Ground Maintenance.....Grass cutting. Village verges etc.....£541.15 Brian Wills.....Hedge cutting. Castle Hill/The Beck...£088.00</p> <p>Transfer HICA to CA.....£870.00</p>	
11.24.00	<p><u>MATTERS FOR URGENT DISCUSSION OR FOR NEXT AGENDA</u> There were no items for urgent discussion, nor for next meeting's agenda.</p>	
11.25.00	<p><u>PRESS RELEASES</u> There were no items requiring any press release.</p>	
11.26.00	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 9th January 2008 at 7.30pm.</p>	ALL

There being no further matters to discuss, the chairman duly closed the meeting at 9.27pm