

# WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2008 IN WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm

11.01.00	<u>CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.	<u>ACTION</u>
11.02.00	<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> No matters raised	
11.03.00	<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, Mr S Short, and Mr B Wildblood Parish Clerk. Also present were County Councillor R Phillips and District Councillor M Wylie.	
11.04.00	<u>APOLOGIES</u> Apologies were received from Mr M Barry.	
11.05.00	<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.	
11.06.00	<u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u> The minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October 2008, 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 2008 were made available to all members of the meeting. There was no Clerk's Report.	
11.08.00	<u>COUNTY COUNCIL / DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS</u> a. <u>District Councillor Wylie's Report: -</u> Planning Permission has now been granted to build a power station at Sleaford. The power station will be fuelled by the burning of straw.  Councillor Wylie was made aware of the late receipt by the clerk of a planning application to carry out work to trees at No 10 The Nookin. This didn't allow for the 14 days in which responses are required to be received by the District Council Tree Officer.  b. <u>District Councillor Overton's Report: -</u> £37k has now been 'ring fenced' for towards funding for projects within the county.  Notice boards can be obtained from Pelican Trust.  More information regarding Dial-a-Ride will be made available soon.  Cultural Services have now been reviewed by the County Council and there will be cuts in Rural Services. There is a new County Council representative appointed in order to encourage sporting activities in the county.	

11.09.00	<p><u>REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS</u></p> <p>a. <u>Mr Goodhand:</u> The poppy wreath purchased by the parish council on behalf of the village was laid at the village War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday.</p> <p>b. <u>Mr Copley / Mr Gibson</u> Mr Copley informed members of the meeting that he and Mr Gibson had attended a seminar at Lincolnshire Police HQ. The incident regarding the deception, which had taken place at the Welbourn and Leadenham Post Offices, was mentioned as part of the discussion and it appears that the felons are still operating the same scam.</p>	<u>ACTION</u>
11.10.00	<u>PLANNING MATTERS</u>	
11.10.01	<p><u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u></p> <p>a. CA72-95: Notification to Fell, Lop, Top or Uproot trees in a Conservation Area: Meadowcroft, 10 The Nookin, Welbourn</p> <p>Details of the application to carry out work to trees in question were given to members of the meeting</p>	
11.10.02	<p><u>PLANNING PERMISSION</u></p> <p>a. CA72-95: Notification to Fell, Lop, Top or Uproot trees in a Conservation Area: Meadowcroft, 10 The Nookin, Welbourn</p>	
11.10.03	Details of the permission were given to members of the meeting	
11.11.00	<p><u>WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT</u></p> <p>Members of the Village Hall Development Group have now met with representatives from the Big Lottery team in order to further discuss the group's bid for funding towards the village hall development project.</p>	
11.12.00	<p><u>UPDATE - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: FLOODING ETC</u></p> <p>The chairman gave members of the meeting details of the site meeting he had attended with Anglian Water and Mr Richard Overton.</p> <p>The old dyke which is on the edge of Mr Overton's land has now been opened up and is taking the surface water quite well, although there could still be a problem with the flow of the water where it goes under Swallow Barn's lawn in the Nookin.</p> <p>Anglian Water are aware that some of the surface water is entering into the foul water system.</p> <p>There is a problem with the drainage system to the field which is next to where Soggins Lane and the A607 meet. The drainage system which is situated by the 'bus stop opposite to the Post Office still remains a problem as nobody seems to know where it runs to.</p>	
11.13.00	<p><u>HIGHWAY MATTERS</u></p> <p>The pothole reported in Moat Lane has now been made good.</p>	
11.14.00	<p><u>LEADENHAM PUBLIC AMENITY WASTE DISPOSAL SITE</u></p> <p>The question as to the opening times of the public amenity waste disposal site has now been resolved.</p> <p>The Friday opening will cease over the winter months but the Saturday and Sunday opening of the waste facility will continue. The situation will be reviewed again next spring.</p>	
11.15.00	<p><u>MAINTENANCE OF CASTLE HILL SITE</u></p> <p>a. <u>QUOTES FOR WORK TO TREES</u></p> <p>A further quote of £520.00 has now been received to carry out the remedial work required to some of the trees on Castle Hill. No other quotes have been received except for the one</p>	<u>ACTION</u>

	<p>for £1050.00, which was thought to be excessive. It was agreed to accept the latest quote of £520</p> <p>b. <u>REPAIRS TO BENCH SEATS</u> One of the bench seats that are beyond economic repair will now be replaced completely by Mr Ken Hinton.</p>	
11.16.00	<p><u>MODEL CODE OF FINANCIAL REGULATIONS</u> It was agreed that the parish council should adopt, and work to, the Model Code of Financial Regulations.</p>	
11.17.00	<p><u>FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT</u> In order to conform to the Act it was agreed that most of the information as to the Minutes, etc would be available either on the council's web site or from the parish clerk.</p>	
11.18.00	<p><u>WELBOURN WEB SITE</u> It was agreed that the Council's web site should be developed further and should include information from other agencies that operate in the parish, ie, village hall committee, local schools etc.</p>	
11.19.00	<p><u>CONSULTATION: MINERALS AND WASTE CORE STRATEGY - ISSUES AND OPTIONS</u> Details of the letter giving details of the consultation were given to members of the meeting. Mr Storer will check the NKDC's website for any further information.</p>	JRS
11.20.00	<p><u>CONSULTATION: COMMUNITIES IN CONTROL: REAL PEOPLE, REAL POWER: CODE OF CONDUCT FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES</u> Mr Goodhand agreed to study the document, which set out the details regarding the consultation. The closure date being 24<sup>th</sup> December 2008.</p>	WG
11.21.00	<p><u>PRECEPT REQUIREMENTS. FY 2009-2010</u> Members of the meeting were reminded that the Parish Council will be required to set its Precept at the January meeting. There may be a requirement for the Council to include funding towards the Village Hall Development Project.</p>	ALL
11.22.00	<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> Visit: Mobile Police Station. 28<sup>th</sup> November 09 9.30am to 12.00 noon LCR. November 2008 What's On November 2008</p>	
11.23.00	<p><u>CHEQUES</u> Payment of the following cheques was approved. Proposed by Mr Short, and seconded by Mr Copley: -</p> <p>Chris Bleaden Ground Maintenance.....Grass cutting. Village verges etc.....£252.04 G W King &amp; Sons.....Grass cutting. St.Chad's churchyard.....£177.00</p>	
11.24.00	<p><u>MATTERS FOR URGENT DISCUSSION OR FOR NEXT AGENDA</u> No matters raised.</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 14<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at 7.30pm.</p>	<u>ACTION</u> ALL

There being no further matters to discuss, the chairman duly closed the meeting at 9.03pm