

WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 2007 IN WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00pm

09.01.00	<u>CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.	<u>ACTION</u>
09.02.00	<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> The following matters were raised by members of the public, and discussed later in the meeting by the Council : - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flooding. Old Mulberry Court 	
09.03.00	<u>PRESENT</u> Mr. J.R Storer, (Chairman), Councillors Mr M Barry, Mr V Brealey, Mr A Copley, Mr. W. Goodhand, Mr. S. Lawson, Mrs M Overton, Mr S Short, and Mr B Wildblood Parish Clerk. Also present were District Councillor Wylie, and 3 members of the public.	
09.04.00	<u>APOLOGIES</u> Apologies were received from County Councillor R Phillips, and PCSO Lingard.	
09.05.00	<u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u> No interests declared at this stage of the meeting.	
09.06.00	<u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u> The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 11 th July 2007, copies of which had been circulated earlier to members of the parish council, were approved, and signed.	
09.07.00	<u>CLERK'S REPORT / FINANCIAL REPORT</u> Copies of the clerk's Financial Report for September were made available to all members of the meeting. The Clerk then reported that he had been informed by PCSO Lingard that between 4 th July, and the 12 th September there were 2 recorded crimes of theft. The clerk also reported that the street signs as requested by the Council from the District Council for Beck Street, and The Green were now in position	
09.08.00	<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"> The Planning Application for 'Damson Dene', Crosby Lane has been refused, and the applicant has been advised by the District Council to speak with the local Planning Officer. The Planning Application for Plots 6 & 7 Hall Orchard Lane has now gone through to Planning, and a decision as to it's approval or not will be known in a couple of days. District Councillor Overton gave members of the meeting the following information: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copies of Councillor Overton's Report have been e-mailed to each Parish Councillor where possible. The decision as to the Consultation on Health will be known by November of this year. The District Council will publish a list of all Parish Councils adopting the revised 'Code of Conduct'. 	
09.09.00	<u>WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL EXTENSION</u> There was nothing as yet to report regarding any progress in obtaining funding for the village hall extension.	

09.10.00	<u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
09.10.01	<u>SITE MEETING REPORTS</u> a. N72/0763/07: Erection of bungalow: 'Damson Dene', 21 Crosby Lane, Welbourn b. N72/0930/07: Erection of 2 dwellings (revised house types) Plots 6 & 7 Hall Orchard Lane, Welbourn c. N72/0984/07: Extension and alteration to dwelling: 53 High Street, Welbourn Details of each of the site meetings were given to members of the meeting.	
09.10.02	<u>REFUSAL OF PLANNING PERMISSIONS</u> a. N72/0763/07: Erection of bungalow: 'Damson Dene', 21 Crosby Lane, Welbourn Details of the refusal were given to members of the meeting.	
09.10.03	<u>NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT NORTH KESTEVEN LOCAL PLAN</u> Details of the District Council's 'Notice of Intention' to adopt the 'North Kesteven Local Plan - September 2007' were given to the meeting.	
09.11.00	<u>PARISH PLAN</u> There still wasn't anything further to report regarding the application to the Big Lottery for funding towards the proposed village hall extension, and improvements.	
09.12.00	<u>FLOODING UPDATE</u> Having heard as to the flooding problems encountered by residents in Old Mulberry Court, the Chairman proposed to the meeting that a site meeting between, the Parish Council, Anglian Water, and County Council Highways ought to be convened. It was hoped that such a meeting would be able to look at what problems had been encountered, and as to what, if any, solutions, could be evolved. Other flooding problems as discussed at the Council's September meeting would also be given an airing.	JRS
09.13.00	<u>HIGHWAY MATTERS</u> Members of the meeting were made aware as to the poor state of the road surface to Graves Hill, in that there were numerous potholes that required repairing. Work to eliminate the problem with vehicles damaging the garden wall to the property at the junction of Little Lane/High Street was due to start soon, and the signs 'Unsuitable for HGV's' were now in place in Cow Lane.	
07.14.00	<u>ADOPTION OF REVISED 'MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT (the Code) 3rd MAY 2007</u> All Parish Councillors, having read, and being given all the relevant information regarding the Code discussed as to whether the Council should adopt the revised 'Model Code of Conduct'. Mrs Overton proposed that the Parish Council should adopt the new revised Code. This was to include adopting paragraph 12 (2). Mr Storer seconded the proposal, and all Parish Councillors present at the meeting unanimously agreed to support the proposal.	ALL
07.15.00	<u>THREAT TO RURAL POST OFFICES</u> Mr Goodhand reported that: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letters had now gone out to Post Masters during August. • Lists had been split into 3 groups. • Closure notices would be displayed on 24th September 2007. • There had been an e-mail from Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils (LALC). 	
07.16.00	<u>FREE TREES FOR PARISHES SCHEME 2007</u> Mr Brealey was still investigating possible sites that could possibly benefit from the scheme.	VB

07.17.00	<u>REVIEW OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES. NKDC</u> The Village Hall had been inspected prior to the May 2007 local elections, and it had been noted that access to the lounge area from the outside door was not suitable for access by wheelchair or mobility scooters, and the main hall had been used. This had caused problems with the day to day bookings for use of the village by the various local organisations.	<u>ACTION</u>
09.18.00	<u>PARISH ALLOWANCES - REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL</u> It was agreed that the Council should not support a 'Parish Allowances' scheme, but would support a 'paid mileage allowance' scheme, a scheme that was already up and running.	
09.19.00	<u>REPORT: WELBOURN FORGE - LINCOLNSHIRE HERITAGE WEEKEND</u> Mr Goodhand gave the meeting details of what had taken place at Welbourn Forge during the Heritage Weekend. There had been numerous visitors to the forge, and our two volunteer blacksmiths had given demonstrations of how metal could be forged. Mr Goodhand concluded his report by informing everyone that our resident volunteer blacksmith has now decided to retire.	
09.20.00	<u>LINCOLNSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (LALC) AGM & CONFERENCE</u> <u>27th OCTOBER 2007</u> Details of the AGM, and conference were given to members of the meeting.	
09.21.00	<u>ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF COMMUNITY LINCS. 27th SEPTEMBER 2007.</u> <u>WASHINGBOROUGH</u> Details of the AGM were given to members of the meeting.	
09.22.00	<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> Rural Payments Agency. Payment Castle Hill Field £1.42 LALC Annual Report 2006/2007 Local Strategic Partnership Newsletter. Spring 2007 North Kesteven Community Support Mobile Police Office. Visit 23 rd November 2007 9.30am - 12.00pm	
09.23.00	<u>CHEQUES</u> Payment of the following cheques was approved. Proposed by Mr Goodhand, and seconded by Mrs Overton: - Chris Bleaden Ground Maintenance.....Grass cutting. Village verges etc.....£489.36 BT Payment Services Ltd.....Telephone Account. IT Room.....£053.03 ABB Ltd.....Maintenance. Footway lighting.....£098.88 B Wildblood.....Parish Clerk's Quarterly Salary.....£250.00 B Wildblood.....Parish Clerk's Quarterly Expenses.....£045.00 Ordnance Survey.....Licence Fee. Map printing.....£055.81 Transfer HICA to CA.....£900.00 The following payments were made during the August recess: - Chris Bleaden Ground Maintenance.....Grass cutting. Village verges etc.....£601.00 Chris Bleaden Ground Maintenance.....Grass cutting. Village verges etc.....£489.00 G W King & Sons.....Grass cutting. St.Chad's Churchyard....£242.00 Anglian Water.....Water meter charges. Castle Hill Field.£004.38 NKDC.....Parish Council Election costs.....£087.42 Transfer HICA to CA.....£1424.00	

09.24.00	<u>MATTERS FOR URGENT DISCUSSION OR FOR NEXT AGENDA</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October Agenda: Parish Fieldpaths - 'Stepping Out Walks' • Mr Short proposed that the licence to reproduce maps should be renewed. (see Cheques). Mr Goodhand seconded the proposal, and all other members of the meeting had supported the proposal. • Mr Brealey reported that the bench seat, which normally was outside the old rectory, was now being repaired. • The grass around the orchard area was not being cut. • Mr Goodhand suggested an 'Apple Event' for next year. 	<u>ACTION</u>
09.25.00	<u>PRESS RELEASES</u> There were no items requiring any press release.	
09.26.00	<u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 10 th October 2007 at 7.30pm.	ALL

There being no further matters to discuss, the chairman duly closed the meeting at 9.23pm