

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 11th JULY 2018 IN WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT

Councillors Mr. Robert Cross (MC) Chairman
Mr. John Storer (RS)
Mr. Stephen Spedding (SSg)
Mr. Robert Gibson (RG)
Mr. Jake Beaty (JB)
Parish Clerk - Miss Sarah Brown

- 07.01.00 **Chairman's Welcome** **Action**
The Chairman Cllr. Robert Cross welcomed everyone to the Meeting.
- 07.02.00 **Public forum**
07.02.01 No members of the public were present.
- 07.03.00 **Acceptance of reasons for absence**
07.03.01 Apologies were received from Cllr. Maureen Lunn, Cllr. Katie Stark, Cllr. Harriet Huntsman and Cllr. Stephen Short.
07.03.02 It was resolved to accept everyone's apologies.
- 07.04.00 **Declarations of interest**
There were no declarations of interest.
- 07.05.00 **Minutes of the previous meeting**
The Notes of the previous meeting held on the 13th June 2018, copies of which had been circulated previously to members, were accepted as Minutes. Proposed by Cllr S. Spedding and seconded by Cllr R. Storer. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.
- 07.06.00 **Police update.**
07.06.01 The police emailed their report for the period of the 11th June 2018 to 11th July 2018, which consisted of one crime. 01-02/07/18 A vintage tractor and Flail Mower were taken from a barn on Cliff Road.
- 07.07.00 **District and County matters**
District Cllr C. Mills sent her apologies for not being able to attend today's meeting.
- 07.08.00 **Welbourn Primary- is there any way in which we can help support the school.**
07.08.01 It was decided to postpone the discussion on this item and put it on September's Agenda to give the new head time to settle in and for us to get more information on what help is most needed/sort after. **Clerk**
- 07.09.00 **Village Hall Heating System**
07.09.01 The Village Hall Heating System was constantly running due to it battling with the thermal heating panels on the roof. It was decided to let the thermal panels heat the Village Hall's water without the other system, only switching the other system on once a week to make sure the water system is heated to 65 degrees as per regulations. An engineer has inspected the system and explained the problem is with the compressor unit as it can't function properly as it is designed to, due to it being too large. As the compressor is 10 years old and over its service life we can leave it switched off in summer and then wait for it to make the system completely fail in winter when switched back on. Or we could replace the compressor with a more modern smaller unit which would also reduce the electric running costs. It is believed to cost somewhere between £6k & £8k to replace, a quote has been asked for but has not arrived at present. **RS**
- 07.09.02 It was decided that we can't authorize the fitting of a new compressor until the total cost had been confirmed. Considering this and due to the next meeting being in September and the heating system needing to be fully operational before the colder weather. It was agreed that if the quote was £6K it could be authorized as that amount had been already earmarked in **SSg**
Clerk

reserves for that use.

07.10.00 **Maintenance Schedule for the village.**

07.10.01 A parishioner had asked for the undergrowth on Castlehill under the trees next to the bend in the road to be cut back to help motorists gain visibility as it is particularly dangerous at present due to cars parked on the road and not being able to see if its clear ahead to overtake them.

07.10.02 It was decided to task the handyman with cutting the undergrowth at that point to make the road safer. Then ask him to cut the hedge on Castlehill next to Beck Street. After finishing surfacing the steps up to the line bank from Dycote Lane with road planings.

07.10.03 It was agreed to get the clerk to contact BDG to cut the bank on Castlehill as they have in the area they have done in the past as due to the dry weather the verges don't need doing so we will still be within budget and they should have the time available.

Clerk

07.11.00 **Do we need Pest Controllers at present?**

07.11.01 Earlier this month there was regular reports of sightings of rats on the grass verge in front of the Village Hall's pond next to Beck Street. Over the last week or more they haven't been spotted there, so it was decided not to get pest controllers in at present. It was agreed that we would apply for the Litter grant given by NKDC again this year and then get a price and consider getting a new bin with a false bottom which contains a pest control box baited with a rod of poison which people and children could not access but the rats could, to go next to the seat in front of the pond.

07.11.02 The clerk was also asked to contact NKDC to see if they provide the relevant courses to be able to legally put poison down and get information on them.

07.12.00 **Clerk's report. Appendix A**

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07.12.01 The Clerk's report was reviewed, no issues arising with the report.

07.13.00 **Appendix B-C – cheques paid and cheques to be paid.**

07.13.01 Reviewed and accepted.

07.14.00 **Planning Reference: 18/0922/TC**

Proposal: T1 Ash- remove two lower branches

Location: The Woodshed, 10 The Green, Welbourn.

07.14.01 The Parish Council had no objections.

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07.14.02 **Planning Application Reference: 18/0771/HOUS**

Proposal: Erection of a front porch.

Location: Willow Cottage, 52 The Green, Welbourn

07.14.03 The Parish Council had no objections.

Clerk

03.17.06 **Date for the next meeting and meeting schedule for the coming year:**

No meeting August 2018

Wednesday 12th September 2018 at 7.30 pm

Wednesday 10th October 2018 at 7.30 pm

Wednesday 14th November 2018 at 7.30

No meeting December 2018

There being no further matters to discuss, the Chairman duly closed the meeting at 8.01pm.

Signed.....

Date.....

Chair, Welbourn Parish Council.

Copies to: District Councillors Mrs. M Overton. Mrs. C. Mills. All Parish Councillors Parish Website.

ITEM	DATE	Description/Action
Highways/Drainage	15.06.18	Myself and Cllr Storer meet with Highways Area Manager and explained the problems we are facing with condition of local roads and problems with certain drains which come under their jurisdiction. Discussed ways to help prevent further problems with flooding in the area.
Ridges & Furrows	20.06.18	Received confirmation of receipt of the Grants Application for the Ridges and Furrows project from the National Arts Council Lottery Projects Grants department (expect answer on whether we are successful in approx 6 weeks).
Local Policing Neighbourhood Team	21.06.18	Received a poster of our Local Policing Neighbourhood Team (Bracebridge Heath) with contact details.
NKDC	26.06.18	Received details from NKDC on their Service Level agreement- Parish Funding-Litter Picking Grant and how to apply.
Unsocial behavior	26.06.18 & 27.06.18	Was contacted by some local residents about vandalism and unsocialable behavior from some teenagers.
Planning	26.06.18	Planning Application Reference: 18/07771/HOU. Willow Cottage, 52 The Green, Welbourn. Forwarded to the Parish Councilors to review.
PCSO's	28.06.18	Updated the local PCSO's to the problems we were having regarding antisocial behaviour and vandalism.
Unsocial behavior	27.6.18 & 30.06.18	Spoke to some Parents and teenagers regarding anti-social behavior.
Planning	03.07.18	<p>Planning Application Reference: 18/0768/HOUS 18 Dycote Lane, Welbourn.</p> <p>Application Reference: 18/0611/HOUS 20 Manor Close, Welbourn</p> <p>Planning Department to give the Parish Councilors comments/objections. (For exact comments please view online on NKDC's website)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Planning Emailed NKDC</p>

Planning	03.07.18	Received Application Reference: 18/0922/TCA The Woodshed, 10 The Green, Welbourn. Forwarded to the Parish Councilors to review.
Road Safety/ Maintenance of Castle Hill.	04.07.18	A parishioner contacted me regarding the lack of vision on Castle Hill Road due to vehicles having to go round the bend on the wrong side of the road due to cars parking on the road and vision also being restricted by the undergrowth below the trees on Castle Hill. They asked for the undergrowth to be cut back or sprayed to increase visibility to make it safer.

Appendix B & Appendix C Welbourn Parish Council - Parish Council Meeting 11th July 2018

Financial Input and Output report since the last Parish Council Meeting on 13th June 2018							Appendix B
Balances as at 05.07.2018: BMM account £14,886.86 Community account £2,163.50 account £5,953.89 Deposit account £12,315.70 Building Society account £8587.18							Client
Accounts authorised and paid since the last meeting							
Invoice Date	Item IN	IN	Item OUT	Invoice value	VAT	Total invoice value	Date paid
	TOTALS	£0.00	TOTALS	£0.00	£0.00	£ -	

Financial Input and Output report since the last Parish Council Meeting on 13th June 2018							Appendix C
Accounts to be authorised and paid							
Invoice Date	Item IN	IN	Item OUT	Invoice value	VAT	Total invoice value	Date paid
06/06/2018			Total Gas & Power (Forge electric)	£5.53	£0.32	£6.68	11-Jul
30/06/2018			Bdg Mowing Contractors	£350.00	£0.00	£350.00	11-Jul
02/07/2018			E-ON Streetlighting	£253.44	£12.67	£266.11	11-Jul
03/07/2018			LALC	£17.50	£0.00	£17.50	11-Jul
05/07/2018			Total Staff costs	£354.92	£0.00	£354.92	11-Jul
			TOTALS	£ 981.39	£12.99	£ 995.21	

