



Wellingore Parish Council

Notes of the Parish Council Meeting

Monday 5th February 2024 at 7pm

Please be advised that these are notes of the meeting taken by the Clerk and cannot in any way be regarded as the official minutes of council proceedings until they are approved and signed at the next meeting.

Present: Cllr Niall Shaw (Chair), Cllr Alex Theaker, Cllr Paul Hathaway, Cllr Karen Mitchener, Cllr Ben Hausermann, Cllr Mountjoy, Cllr Mills, Cllr Reid, Cllr Hagues.

Clerk: Chantelle Hausermann

Apologies: Cllr Jenkins

/1 Public Forum

Nil

/2 To receive apologies and reasons given.

Nil

/3 To approve the notes of the meeting held on Monday 8th January 2023

Proposed Cllr Theaker, Seconded Cllr Mountjoy – All in agreement.

/4 To receive declarations of interest on any item on the agenda.

Cllr Mills declared an interest in the recent planning application for the Red Lion – this planning notification was distributed after the agenda had been finalised.

/5 To discuss matters arising.

CCTV – CCTV has been ordered through Wellingore Memorial Hall.

Bulb/Tree Planting - Trees and bulbs have been planted in the Mill Field. A parishioner has written to the Parish Council with regards to the trees that have been planted and the content of this email has been shared with the councillors. The Parish Council discussed the content of the email and the chairman summarised it. The Parish Council will liaise with the tree surgeon to ask that he retrospectively looks at the type or trees that have been planted and the location. The chairman will then feedback to the parishioner through the Parish Clerk.

Derelict Barn – The barn has been capped off on the tops of the building. An architect has been asking for old pictures to renovate the derelict barn.

Defibrillator – The defibrillator at Wellingore Memorial Hall has now been fitted. The Parish Council have agreed to contribute £250 towards the fitting of the defibrillator. It was discussed that all correspondence relating to payments of items must be directed through the Parish Clerk

/6 Councillors Reports.

/1 Councillor L Hagues – February newsletter circulated to the Parish Council. Cllr Hagues had nothing further to add from her February newsletter.

/2 Councillor M Overton – February Newsletter circulated to the Parish Council.

/7 To consider matters for discussion and resolution

a. to discuss and approve all updated policies.

Resolution: All policies were approved noting the comments from Cllr Jenkins.

b. To review the budget proposal for 24/25 and agree the precept.

The chairman worked with the Parish Clerk to finalise the budget and this was presented to the Parish Council. CB Grounds Maintenance has been increased as they are adding an extra cut to their schedule for Memorial Hall Field. The village litter picker has requested a pay increase and this was approved by the Parish Council. It was discussed that there are still issues with increasing litter within the village particularly alcohol bottles on Wellingore Heath.

Resolution: The budget and precept were agreed by all.

c. to discuss village volunteers and how this group can be promoted.

A poster has been designed to generate a group of village volunteers. The poster will go into the Graffoe link and be shared around the village. Cllr Jenkins will be the contact for the volunteers and will generate a list of works starting with collecting the leaves from of green spaces. Clearing and widening the various footpaths around the village. Cleaning the children's play area

Resolution: The Parish Council agreed to this proposal.

d. to provide an update on broadband works around the village from OPAL.

Cllr Jenkins shared details with the Parish Council ahead of the meeting. The Chairman explained the current situation to the Parish Council and discussed the contents of Cllr Jenkins. The Parish Council discussed fibre in the village.

Resolution: No further comments.

e. to provide a report on the street lighting progress.

Cllr Jenkins advised the council that by using Fix my Street, street lighting problems on the High St outside the Red Lion and on the corner of Vicarage Lane and A607 have been rectified. Requests for new or replacement lights in Barnes Lane and West Street have been referred back to us by LCC Highways to start a process to apply for installations.

Resolution: To liaise with LCC regarding new requests.

ACTION: Cllr Jenkins and Parish Clerk to liaise with LCC for guidance.

/8 To note correspondence received:

The Parish Council discussed the content of Marianne Overton's previous email relating to devolution.

Springwell Solar Farm – community meetings have been taking place, updates have been made to the original proposals. Cllr Mountjoy provided an update and encouraged councillors to review recent proposals.

No further comments.

/9 Planning

No comments on the planning application for the Red Lion.

/10 Finance

a. To confirm the bank balances on 31st January 2024

Current account as at 31.01.2024	£3,445.70
Deposit account as at 31.01.2024	£40,736.41

All agreed and proposed

/11 To discuss any other business.

Play Park – the grant application is in process for the play park improvements. Cllr Mitchener discussed the CTP payments that were required and explained these to the Parish Council. **The Parish Council agreed to pay CPT and a contribution up to a maximum of £8,000 if the grant was awarded.**

The Parish Council discussed that they would share a google form with the school for parents to complete, consultation has already taken place with residents and a google form will also be sent to via facebook.

ACTION: Cllr Mitchener/Parish Clerk to complete the application and liaise with Welbourn Parish Council.

Residents Association Bench: The Parish Council agreed that if the Residents Association bought the bench and confirmed a delivery date. The Parish Council will then arrange for the bench to fitted.

John McGee – The statue was discussed and Cllr Theaker advised that there is a possibility that the statue may be positioned at Bomber Command.

/12 To note the date of the next meeting: Monday 11th March 2024.

The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 2035.

signed..... dated.....

Chantelle Hausermann - Parish Clerk

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List of payments to be approved:

79	05.02.24	NGMS Grass	£108.00
80	05.02.24	AM Litter	£110.00
81	05.02.24	Salary February	£678.08
82	05.02.24	HMRC February	£169.60
			TOTAL £1089.68