

## WELNEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Welney Parish Council held at the William Marshall Centre, Hurn Drove, Welney on Tuesday 3 April 2018 at 7.30 pm.

### Present:

#### Parish Councillors

Cllr G Rainbird (Chairman)  
Cllr P Edmunds (Vice)  
Cllr K Goodger  
Cllr P Gardiner  
Cllr D Denyer  
Cllr L Bombata (acting Clerk)

#### District Councillors

Cllr V. Spikings

#### County Councillors

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### 1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Humphries  
Cllr D Pope

### 2. Declaration of Interests

Cllrs Gardiner & Edmunds declared an interest as members of RUG. Cllr Goodger as Chair of WMC, Cllr Denyer as Chair of Management Committee, Cllrs Rainbird, Edmunds and Bombata as board members of WMC,

### 3. (a) Public Participation

The following points were raised by members of the public:

- A member of the public wanted to know where agenda items can be obtained.
- It was asserted by a member of the public that draft minutes should be published a week after meetings. It was pointed out to the person that the requirement is that draft minutes should be published no later than 28 days after meeting.

### (b) Comments from District/County Councillors

Cllr Spikings reported that the planned boundary re-organisation has been considered and that all boundaries will stay as they are now which means Welney Parish will still be within the same ward as before – and there will still be 2 Borough Councillors representing the wards. This is subject to agreement.

### 4. Minutes of Last meeting

Minutes of the last two meetings are still in draft form. They are posted online though. Councillors to review and approve at next meeting.

### 5. Matters Arising

#### (a) Sandgate Corner Meadow

Contract between WPC and RUG created as to be passed to Chairman of RUG for acceptance and signature.

#### (b) Councillors Email addresses.

Email login information passed to councillors by Cllr Bombata.

#### (c) Parish Plan

- Cllr Gardiner will no longer be able to lead on the project.

Hold on the agenda and wait for New Clerk and see if someone else can take the lead

- Cllr Spiking pointed out that if there is a neighbourhood plan Parish Council can get 25% of CIL as opposed to the normal 15%. Each Parish Council need to consider if it is worth doing though.
- Cllr. Goodger suggested that new questionnaires will be needed

(d) **CCTV**

Quotes obtained. Still awaiting identification of funds to enable installation of CCTV.

(e) Meeting with Wash Group (Archive group)

Mr & Mrs Copeman have stepped down as co-ordinators of the 'Wash' group. Cllrs Goodger and Denyer have taken over.

## 6. Finance

(a) **Budgetary Statement**

Cllr Bombata presented the budgetary statement.

{b} **Payments**

The following invoice was agreed for payment by cheque and/or Direct Debit	
E,on – Street Lighting (Paid by DD)	£103.05
Cleantech Water Management	
(reissue of cheque to a named individual)	£420.00
Wisbech Electrical - Fire Alarm and Emergency Lighting	£360.00
E-On – Electricity for WMC	£127.71
WESTCOTEC – Street Lighting maintenance	£115.76
Westcotec SAM2 Unit (50%)	£1840.00
Further amount needed for post for SAM2 camera	£139.49 +VAT

Moved by Cllr Goodger to pay seconded by Cllr Edmunds, Carried Unanimously.

## 7. Correspondence

**The schedule of correspondence.**

- Applicants for Casual Councillors Post – Send email acknowledging applications and requesting additional information. Then ask them to come to next Parish Council meeting.
- Fault reported (Lamp out) on Wisbech road - Dealt with
- Westcotec – Request for WPC FIT ID in order to change email address on account. To identify FIT ID.
- Application of Post of Parish Clerk – Applicant to be invited for interview
- Invitation to meet with Inspector Cant (Downham Market Police station) on 12/04/2018 – Cllr Gardiner to attend
- Letter form External Auditors – Arrange for forms to be filled in and sent back
- Letter re Damage to Fence of 2 Hurn Drove - Cllr Barker to deal with Insurance.

Letter box now installed at WMC. Cllr Denyer to check for posts.

## 8 Council Committees and Lead on Specific areas

**Community Speed Watch**

Speed watch

- Monitoring continuing. Undertaken at various times.

- Reported drivers to Police
- Cllrs. Edmunds and Gardiner attended meeting at Kings Lynn
- Cllrs Denyer and Gardiner attended the speed watch day

SAM2

- Installed and functioning and collecting data
- 85% of drivers goes through village at high speed
- Busiest day is Monday.
- Busiest time is in the morning
- Need to keep moving Camera and keep collecting Data
- Try and get highways in to convince them of the need to do something about the excess speed.

**9. Planning Matters**

**Summary of discussion**

- No items

**10. Highways**

**Summary of discussion:**

- Cllr Goodger suggested that we should get highways in He will contact them.

**11. Clerk Vacancy**

**Summary of Discussion**

- There is an applicant. Invite for an interview

**12. Councillor Vacancy**

**Summary of Discussions**

- Notice posted within the village for 14 days. Members of the public (at least 10) have not requested an election. Councillors will co-opt one of the two applicants
- Write to the to applicants acknowledging their applications and request supporting information
- Ask them to attend the next Council meeting where co-option will take place

**13. Communications Strategy**

- Cllrs Rainbird, Edmunds and Barker to look at current communications Policy and come up with revised one

**14. FOI / Data Protection Strategy**

- Cllr Bombata to include FOI strategy into current WPC FOI Document and send to Councillors for perusal and adoption
- Cllrs Rainbird, Edmunds, Barker and Bombata to look at the new requirements of the Data Protection act and come up with a WPC policy for adoption before the new Data Protection Act becomes law in May 2018.

**15. Items for next agenda**

Meeting closed at 21.30

Signed ..... Date.....