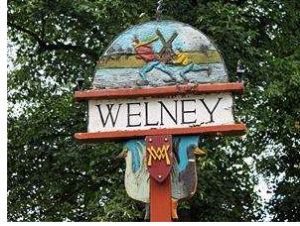


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MINUTES of the meeting of Welney Parish Council Held on Tuesday 5th March 2019 at 6.30 pm in The William Marshall Centre, Hurn Drove, Welney, PE14 9SD

Present: Cllr P GARDINER (PG) - Chairman
Cllr M BARKER (MB) – Vice Chairman - **Apologies**
Cllr G BOMBATA (LB)
Cllr K GOODGER (KG)
Cllr D LOWRY (DL)
Cllr J LOVEDAY (JL)
Cllr B STEELE (BS)
Cllr D HARVEY (DH)

Also Present: Mrs V Austin – Acting Clerk

Mr D Pope – Borough Councillors
Mrs V Spikings

5 members of the public

18/19.030 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

The chairman welcomed councillors and members of the public.

18/19.031 APOLOGIES

Cllr M Barker – Apologies – Accepted

18/19.032 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr K Goodger – item 18/19.038

18/19.033 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT

DCllr Pope – indicated that 4.5% increase in support grant, although this hasn't been confirmed as received money back from the internal drainage.

DCllr Spikings – Gave a brief update on the Local Plan review and pointed out that there is very comprehensive information on the Borough of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk website.

https://www.west-norfolk.gov.uk/homepage/252/local_plan_review_2016_-_2036

18/19.034 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

No Report received

18/19.035 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th February 2019 were duly signed by the Chairman as a true record

18/19.036 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman would like to organise a community litter pick on Sunday 24 March from 11am – 1pm the councillors noted this in their diary's, and this will also be advertised on notice boards and Facebook asking the community to volunteer to help.

Also asked for Councillors to consider the best location to position new notice boards and to investigate the need for consent etc. Cllr Bombata, Cllr Harvey and Cllr Loveday will look into this and bring back to April meeting to follow up.

18/19.037 VILLAGE SIGN

Vince Ford gave the councillors a brief presentation about what he could produce but was still waiting confirmation of the cost of English Oak. Once Mr Ford has received this information, he will bring back to the next Parish meeting for further discussion.

18/19.038 MARCH ROAD FOOTPATH

The grant application from the William Marshall Charity in respect of the £14,000 required to take advantage of NCC's offer of 50/50 funding of the new footpath was agreed with the understanding that the Parish Council paid back £7,000 of this grant with a minimum payment of £1,000 per year.

After discussion of when 1st payment of £1,000 would be made a motion from Cllr Gardiner was put forward that the 1st payment be deferred to April 2020. A vote took place and this motion was lost 3 For, 2 Against and 2 Abstained. A second motion was put forward by Cllr Goodger to make the 1st instalment from the current years finance as there was enough money in the bank to enable this. Bearing in mind the new financial years precept will be received in April 2019. This motion was also put to the vote and was carried 4 for, 1 Against and 2 Abstained.

18/19.039 HURN DROVE – ROAD SURFACE

Councillors would like to see this extended to include a footpath all the way down to the William Marshall Centre as they believe without this it restricts the access and that this is a H&S issue. The Clerk will write to highways raising these points.

18/19.040 NCC Highways – Programme of repairs – New Road Footpath

Clerk awaiting an update from the Highways Planner as he was meeting with the engineers on site to ascertain levels and was planning on works starting August 2019. This would be an entire road closure.

18/19.042 AGAR

The Chairman updated the Cllrs at the meeting on the progress of the AGAR for the previous financial year. This is now with the Internal Auditor Mr J Alexander of S&J Accountancy (Littleport) being prepared ready to be presented correctly to External Audit. Once this report is received all documentation will be presented to an extraordinary meeting on 26th March for agreement prior to submission to External Audit.

18/19.027 FINANCE

027.2 Financial Statements

The Clerk provided those present with the Bank Reconciliation sheet showing the total amount at bank as at 1st March 2019.

The Chairman signed a copy of the Reconciliation to which is appended the expenditure and income spreadsheets. This information will be posted on the Parish Council website.

027.3 Confirm Payments from 5th February to 5th March 2019

The following payments had now been reconciled to the bank statement:

06/02/19	DD		BT	47.07
11/02/19	DD		Rentokil Initial	46.81

27.4 Authorise signing of orders for payments

The follow cheques were presented to the Parish Council for signature:

Cheque Number	Payee	Amount
101481	Clerk (Wages)	145.60
101480	Clerk (Wages & Exps)	166.30
101482	NCC Highways	14,000.00
101483	William Marshall Charity 1 st Loan instalment	1,000.00

18/19.028 CLERKS FOLLOW UP DIARY

The land that the new development was going to be on is now up for sale. The Parish Council will put forward the suggestion of the family name of "Bedford" to be included within the road naming scheme of the new development to the relevant body.

18/19.029 PLANNING MATTERS

No applications received.

DATE OF NEXT FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO BE CONFIRMED

2nd April 2019. This meeting will commence at 7.30pm.

Items for inclusion on the next agenda

Village Sign

Notice Boards

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.33 pm.

Signed :

Chairman