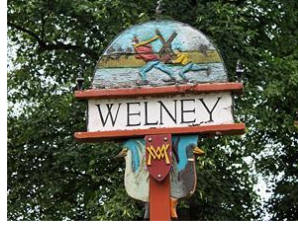


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MINUTES of the meeting of Welney Parish Council Held on Wednesday 4 June 2019 at 7.30 pm in The William Marshall Centre, Hurn Drove, Welney, PE14 9SD

Present:

Cllr J LOVEDAY - Chairman
Cllr A GILES – Vice Chairman
Cllr M BARKER
Cllr D LOWRY
Cllr D HARVEY
Cllr R GILES
Cllr K GOODGER - Apologies
Cllr B STEELE

Also Present:

6 members of the public

19/20.11 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed all those present to the meeting.

19/20.12 APOLOGIES

Cllr Ken Goodger - Accepted

19/20.13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

19/20.14 To receive verbal (or written) reports from District Councillors

Gave a brief overview to remind Parish Councillors when commenting on planning applications that material planning matters need to be taken into consideration.

19/20.15 To receive verbal (or written) reports from County Councillors

Council had just started its meetings and just starting to get back into things.

19/20.16 Confirmation of minutes of the Parish Council meeting

Clerk had only just received draft handwritten notes to complete minutes, so they would be brought back to July's meeting to be duly signed.

19/20.17 Chairman's Announcements.

Cllr Loveday read out the following statement regarding financial irregularities

Norfolk Constabulary can confirm that detectives from King's Lynn CID are investigating an allegation of historical financial misconduct within Welney Parish Council.

Enquiries continue, however financial irregularities with the accounts dating back several years have been discovered.

One female suspect has been questioned.

Cllr Loveday also went on to say that we now have a new council and it was time to move forward and to work with the residents / electors of Welney.

19/20.18 Insurances

Clerk would speak to Insurance company to renew and confirm the split between Parish Council and William Marshall Centre. And would also check where responsibility was Individual or Parish with the query around the Building Regs etc. Clerk would report back to July's meeting

19/20.19 Village Sign

Mr Vince Ford would be invited back to give a brief overview to his quote and to answer questions from Councillors to allow them to make an informed decision.

19/20.20 William Marshall Centre Caretaker Role

Councillors would send Clerk job specifications for Clerk to pull together a list to bring back to the July meeting to discuss the role further.

19/20.21 Unity Trust Banking

After a brief discussion around changing accounts it was felt although this was something to move towards it was felt this should be brought back to a future meeting.

19/20.22 Finance:

22.1 The Clerks presented the Chairman with the schedule of receipts and payments and the bank reconciliation for signature.

22.2 Authorise signing of orders for payment

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

| Chq | Payee | Amount |
|--------|---------------------|-------------|
| 101493 | Westcotec | £ 133.34 |
| 101494 | Salaries - V Austin | £ 145.60 |
| 101495 | Salaries - S Field | £ 145.60 |
| 101498 | HMRC | £ 7.20 |
| 101499 | Salaries - S Field | £ 78.40 |
| 101500 | Salaries | £ 311.90 |
| 101501 | Stephenson Smart | £ 90.00 |

In the absence of Cllr Goodger, Peter Gardiner as the previous Chairman was asked to duly sign the cheques with Cllr Matt Barker as the cheques require 2 signatures. Peter Gardiner duly signed the cheques on this occasion with full support of all the current Councillors while the transition of changing the signatories was taking place.

19/20.23 Follow up diary

There were no follow up items as this was covered in the Chairman's announcements

19/20.24 Planning Matters

19/00902/F – Single storey side extension at The Willows, Hundred Foot Bank, Welney.

The electronic document to be circulated to Councillors for comment.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.26 pm.

Signed : Chairman