

**Weston under Wetherley Parish Council**  
Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2015  
Weston under Wetherley Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Miss B Roberts (Chairman)  
Cllr Mr S Richards (Vice Chairman)  
Cllr Mrs S Chambers  
Cllr Mr P Haine  
Cllr Miss R Tighe  
Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: Cllr Wallace Redford and 1 member of the public

1	<b>Apologies</b>  Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Rob Atkinson, Cllr Pam Redford and Cllr Nick Harrington.	RA
2	<b>Declarations of interest</b>  There were no declarations of interest.	
3	<b>Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council on the 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015</b>  The minutes of the ordinary meeting on the 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2015 were unanimously agreed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.	
4	<b>Progress Reports:</b> <b>Clerk: i)</b> The Clerk reported that she had been in contact with the HS2 Community Benefit Fund and had requested them to consider supporting the proposed footpath/cycleway to Cubbington. The request was being considered and the leader of the HS2 CBF was now in direct contact with Cllr Atkinson, who had volunteered to undertake further research on the project. ii) Work on the bend beside the former Bull Inn has now been completed by Severn Trent, and the flooding problems appear to have been resolved. iii) Cllr Harrington had reported experiencing visibility problems when turning out of Sabin Drive, owing to the length of the grass. The clerk had been informed by Mr Joe Bell of Warwick DC that the cutting schedule for this stretch of grass had been reinstated now that the wildflowers had seeded.  <b>b) Cllr Haine: i)</b> HS2: Cllr Haine reported that the HS2 Select Committee had resumed, although one member of the committee had lost his seat and had as yet not been replaced. The report from the Committee recommended that HS2 reconsider their plans for the height of the line as it passes Weston and Cubbington. iv) Warwickshire Wildlife Trust had received a large grant from the Heritage Lottery fund which they intend to use to further their plans to extend the wildlife corridor from Princethorpe to Cubbington. The initial phase will be survey work and Weston Wildlife Conservation Group will receive training and funding to help with this in the Weston area. The first survey to be undertaken in the village	

	will be on the 11 <sup>th</sup> July and volunteers interested in being trained in habitat survey are invited to attend.	
	<p><b>c) Cllr Richards:</b> i) Cllr Richards had attended the meeting of the Warwickshire Rural East Community Forum and reported that Weston's application for speed checks had been accepted. 6 speed checks would be carried out by local police between now and October. Offenders will be sent a warning letter. The police force also had a spare speed gun which could be borrowed if desired by a Community Speedwatch programme. ii) Warwickshire Association of Youth Clubs (WAYC) had also attended the meeting and had offered the benefit of their advice in creating an all weather sports facility. They are willing to talk to the Parish Council about their work with young people at a later meeting.</p>	
5	<p><b>All weather sports field:</b></p> <p>The Council began discussions on the feasibility questionnaire prepared by Cllr Richards. Further research on some points needed to be undertaken and the issue would be considered again at a later meeting.</p>	
6	<p><b>St. Michael's Close parking:</b></p> <p>Cllr Tighe reported that the parking problem had improved since she had initially commented on it. It was agreed that if there were any further instances of anti social parking, Cllr Tighe should inform the Clerk who would contact the local Police Community Support Officer.</p>	RT MN
7	<p><b>Easyfundraising website:</b></p> <p>Cllr Chambers informed the Council about the scheme, which raises money for charities and other good causes. Retailers donate a percentage of the amount spent by on line shoppers to the nominated cause. There is no cost to the customer. Both Bubbenhall and Cubbington have enrolled on the scheme. The Council agreed that, in principle, joining the scheme could be beneficial to the village. The Clerk was asked to contact Bubbenhall PC for further information and advice.</p>	MN
8	<p><b>Overgrown public footpaths:</b></p> <p>It was agreed that anyone with concerns about ease of access to footpaths should contact the Footpaths Group directly. The group is in direct liaison with landowners to keep the paths clear. Warwickshire Rural East Community Forum had also been informed about overhanging hedges in Weston and they had passed the information on to the relevant officers. The clerk was asked to contact Warwick DC on this matter.</p>	MN
9	<p><b>Finance:</b></p> <p>The clerk presented the financial report (payments and summary schedule attached) and the budget sheet. Listed payments were authorised and approved. The Chairman and Cllr Chambers were authorised to sign the finance sheets and supporting documentation.</p>	
10	<b>Planning applications:</b> No planning applications had been received	
11	<p><b>Business from members of the public:</b></p> <p>There was no business from members of the public.</p>	
12	<p><b>Councillors' reports and items for future agenda:</b></p> <p>Cllr Chambers reported that Warwickshire Wildlife Trust were keen to undertake activities for children on</p>	SC

her farm. She would inform the Council when she had further details.

**13 Correspondence not noted in other items:**

- i) Decision Notice: W/15/0583 Welcome Gates
- ii) Decision Notice: W/15/0831 Field Farm Bungalow
- iii) Plan: W/15/0831 Bungalow Fields Farm
- iv) Planning Application: W/15/0788 Wethele Manor
- v) HS2 Community Benefit Fund

**14 Signing of cheques and payment list:**

The Chairman and Cllr Chambers signed the supporting documents.

The meeting ended at 9.20 pm

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2015.**

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