

Weston Under Wetherley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 7:30pm,
30th July 2019, Village Hall

Present:

Councillor Nick Harrington (Chairman) Councillor Danielle Williams
Councillor Rachel Tighe

In Attendance:

Clerk & RFO Jane Chatterton
Councillor George Illingworth, Chairman Warwick District Council
Warwick District Council: Councillor Valerie Leigh-Hunt (part)

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The Chairman welcomed Councillor George Illingworth to the meeting.

Councillor Illingworth updated that he was currently going around the Parish Councils in Warwick District. He had previously served on Kenilworth Town Council for 16 years and WDC for 12 years. He had been responsible for setting up Burton Green Parish Council when it was separated from Stoneleigh. For the previous 10 years he had been heavily involved with HS2.

176. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Carolyn Bloom, Mandie Bradshaw and Andy Smith and WCC Councillor, Councillor Wallace Redford.

177. Declarations of Interest:

There were no declarations of interest.

178. Public participation

There were no members of the public present who wished to speak.

179. Minutes of the meeting held on 25th June 2019

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 25th June 2019 were discussed.

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 25th June 2019 were approved.

180. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

181. Councillor's reports and items for future Agenda

Councillor Valerie Leigh-Hunt – WDC

Councillor Leigh-Hunt had attended the Finance Committee at WDC just prior to the PC meeting. The Accounts for 2018-19 had been signed off.

Playground

Councillor Leigh-Hunt and Councillor Harrington had met today with WDC to look at the playground equipment that required repairing or replacing and talk through the outstanding issues including; the "self-closing gate" that doesn't close. The seat that was damaged has been sent off for repair.

It was noted that the trees in the orchard had been fitted with new shrouds in an attempt to prevent them from being damaged by WDC contract services. The fence had been installed with gaps that required repairing and the gate had not been tied in.

The Officer in charge was Paul Garrison, he would be looking at the playground refresh requirements. A grant had been applied for from the Football Association for match funding. Further work would continue with the project once the outcome of the grant was known. It was noted that the playground was owned and insured by WDC.

Overgrown Hedge, Rugby Road

Councillor Wallace Redford had progressed the work to cut back the overgrown hedge on the Rugby Road. Some pruning had been completed passed the Old Police House on Rugby Road, but a section on Rugby Road still needs pruning. Repairs to the fence were required

ACTION: Ask Wallace Redford for more pruning as walkers were still in the road.

182. Correspondence

There was no correspondence for discussion.

183. Finance

183.1 to approve payments: -

Payments (Current Account)					
Date		Reference	Payee	Details	Value
30.07.19	E17	BACS	J Chatterton	Clerk's Salary July 2019	
30.07.19	E18	BACS	HMRC	July's Tax Payment for Clerk	£92.00
30.07.19	E19	BACS	J Chatterton	Office allowance & expenses July & August	£20.00
30.07.19	E20	BACS	SPS	Payroll Provider	£102.00
30.07.19	E21	BACS	L Best	Internal Audit Fee	£95.00
30.07.19	E22	BACS	D Moorcroft	Trees	£408.00
30.07.19	E23	BACS	D Moorcroft	Cutting back briars, noticeboard	£27.00

RESOLVED THAT the above payments be approved.

183.2 Bank Reconciliation up to 30th June 2019

The Bank Reconciliation up to 30th June 2019 was received and discussed.

Opening Balance 1st April 2019		
Account 1	£11,135.15	
Account 2	£8,938.36	£20,073.51
Add Receipts up to 30th June 2019	£5,454.51	
Less: Payments up to 30th June 2019		£2,076.95
Closing balance per cash book as at 30 th June 2019		£23,451.07

RESOLVED THAT the Bank Reconciliation up to 30th June 2019 be approved.

183.3 Quarterly Report up to 30th June 2019

The Quarterly Report up to 30th June 2019 was received and discussed.

RESOLVED THAT the Quarterly Report up to 30th June 2019 be approved.

184. Planning

To consider any Planning Applications

184.1 Application No: W/19/1138

Description: Widen existing driveway access onto the highway (Weston Lane).

Address: Bell Meadow, Weston Lane, Weston under Wetherley

RESOLVED THAT: No comment.

184.2 Application No W/19/0806

Description: Erection of two storey side extension

Address: 14 Rugby Road, Weston under Wetherley

RESOLVED THAT: The Parish Council write a supportive statement for the application.

184.3 Application No: W/19/1118

App. Type: Proposed Lawful Development

Address: Weston House, Rugby Road, Weston under Wetherley

Application for a Lawfulness Development Certificate for proposed erection of a new outbuilding comprising a triple car garage and rooms within the curtilage of the dwellinghouse as shown on drawing

RESOLVED THAT: The Parish Council neither supports nor objects to the planning application, however, they comment as follows:

“If the planning application is granted then the permitted development rights should be removed and the building can only be for ancillary use to the main dwelling.”

185. Anti-social Behaviour on Village Hall Car Park

The issue was raised following incidents of anti-social behaviour occurring on the Village Hall car park. There were incidents involving a person sleeping in his car in the car park and discarding litter. People drinking alcohol and drug taking.

The Village Hall Committee had been made aware of the problem. The police have also been made aware.

- ACTION:**
- (i) Antisocial behaviour to be raised with Pete Cutts WDC (Councillor Leigh-Hunt).
 - (ii) When incidents occur, people advised to call 101 to get the incident put on record.
 - (iii) Request PSCO drive by.

186. Overgrown hedgerows

Problems with overgrown hedgerows throughout the village, with brambles growing out over the footpaths, some at ground level and some at eye level were raised.

ACTION: Councillor Harrington to raise with WCC.

187. Car Parking problems in St Michael's Close

Car parking problems in St Michael's Close had been raised with the parish council. It was noted that previously the binmen had put notes on the obstructing cars when they couldn't get into the close to empty the bins.

Residents in the Close were encouraged to park their vehicles without causing an obstruction.

ACTION: Request Ed King's assistance.

188. Progress with Playing Area refresh

Previously discussed.

189. Councillor's reports and items for future agenda

Blocked drains – require reporting again.

Severn Trent – not clearing up after their recent works – requires reporting again.

190. Next Meeting

The next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 10th September 2019.

Meeting closed at 8:40pm