Weston Under Wetherley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 6:30pm, 16th January 2023 Weston Under Wetherley Village Hall

Present:

Councillor Nick Harrington (Vice Chairman)	Councillor Dr Tim Robbins (Chairman)	
Councillor Danielle Williams	Councillor Rachel Tighe	

In Attendance:

Clerk & RFO	Jane Chatterton
WCC	Councillor Wallace Redford
WDC	0
Public:	2

257. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

Councillor Valarie Leigh-Hunt was absence and no apologies received.

258. Declarations of Interest:

There were no declarations of interest.

259. Minutes

To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 28th November 2022

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 28th November 2022 be approved.

260. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising which were not listed on the agenda.

261. Public participation

<u>Notifications of meetings</u> – parishioners asked if the website could be kept up to date for agendas and minutes. Request made for the agenda to also be published on Facebook.

South Warwickshire Local Plan – an update on the SWLP was requested.

ACTION: Clerk emailed the information to the Parishioner.

It was noted that Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick District Councils were working together to produce a new South Warwickshire Local Plan to cover the combined geographic area. This new local plan would set planning policies about where and how new jobs, homes and infrastructure were all delivered in the context of place-shaping and addressing climate change. The best way to view the consultation document and supporting evidence and make comments is online at

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The Issues and Options consultation runs for 8 weeks from 9 January to 6 March 2023 and seeks the views of residents, businesses, developers, infrastructure providers, community groups and all other stakeholders on how we should plan for the future of South Warwickshire up to 2050. We are still at the early stages of the process (stage 2 of 8) and further public consultations will follow. This consultation sets out a number of ideas and asks a series of questions.

There was a choice of two events – people could attend whichever was convenient.

Thursday 19th January, 6:00 – 7:30pm Thursday 16th February, 11:00am-12:30pm

The Chairman updated that he had spoken to the Planners about the complexity of the Consultation document. There were too many acronyms, the document was too long, images had poor resolution and the data was confusing. This had led to serious concerns about the document. The options do not take account of the Green Belt.

A letter had been hand delivered to every household in the Village informing them of the SWLP and 15 responses had been received already. Local residents were concerned about the piece of land which borders Weston.

ACTION:

- (i) Meeting to be held on Monday 23rd January 6:30pm at the Village Hall. All welcome to attend. Information to be shared with neighbouring Parish Councils.
- (ii) Clerk to talk to other Parish Councils to ask for help to join up to fight against building on Green Belt.
- (iii) Talk to Warwickshire Wildlife Trust and request assistance and support.
- (iv) Talk to CPRE for assistance.

262. Councillor's reports and items for future Agenda

WCC – Councillor Wallace Redford

<u>Road safety</u> - Concerns about road safety through the Village. A date had been suggested for a site meeting to take place on 30th January with the Localities Officer. Councillors Mrs Williams and Robbins were not available.

ACTION: Councillor Redford to ask if the meeting could be rescheduled to 6th February.

<u>Cycle route – Kenilworth to Leamington Spa</u> – work had started this week on phase 1 of the project. There were a few problems to overcome (including the River Leam).

<u>Electric vehicle charging points</u> - over the last 12 months WCC had been successful in getting grants for electric vehicle charging points to be installed. It was hoped that by 2025 there would be 1,300 – 1,500 in the County. Many had already been installed in Learnington Spa car parks. Roll out would start in the County shortly.

<u>Ringo parking metres</u> – there had been a few complaints about the Ringo on street parking metres breaking down. Once WCC had notification that there was a fault, and inspection would be carried out within 24 hours to bring it back on line as soon as possible. WCC rely on the public telling them that it is broken. People are encouraged to report problems and breakdowns.

263. Correspondence

Nothing to report.

264. Finance

264.1 to approve payments: -

2022-23

DATE	REF	PAYEE	DETAILS	AMOUNT
30.11.22	E59	HMRC	Bank Charges November	£5.00
11.12.22	E60	SPS	Payroll Invoice	£12.00
11.12.22	E61	J Chatterton	Clerk Salary December 2022	DPA
11.12.22	E62	HMRC	Tax & NI December 2022	DPA
11.12.22	E63	J Chatterton	Expenses December 2022	£26.00
11.12.22	E64	N Harrington	Expenses Christmas lights	£63.94
19.12.22	E65	Nick Wylie	Reimbursement Christmas lights	£165.25

RESOLVED THAT the payments be approved.

264.2 Bank Reconciliation 31st December 2022

The Bank Reconciliation 31st December 2022 was received and discussed.

Balance per bank statement as at **31st December 2022**

Account 1	£18,866.84	
Account 2	£8,979.23	
		£27,846.07
Petty cash float (if applicable)	£0.00	£0.00
Less: late payments 31st December 2022	£0.00	£0.00
Add: any un-banked as at 31st December 2022	£0.00	
Net balances as at 31st December 2022		£27,846.07
The net balances reconcile to the Cash Book as follows:		
CASH BOOK		
Opening Balance 1st April 2022		
Account 1	£13,788.89	
Account 2	£8,961.21	
		£22,750.10
Add Receipts up to 31st December 2022	£13,750.21	
Less: Payments up to 31st December 2022	£8,654.24	
Closing balance per cash book as at		£27,846.07
31st December 2022		

RESOLVED THAT the Bank Reconciliation was approved.

264.3 Quarterly Report 31st December 2022

The quarterly report dated 31st December 2022 was received and discussed.

RESOLVED THAT the Quarterly Report 31st December 2022 be approved.

264.4 Speed monitoring equipment

In a response to tackling speeding through the Village, information and data would need to be gathered. Equipment could be provided by WCC for this purpose but this incurred a cost.

RESOLVED THAT it was agreed to spend £500 for WCC to install monitoring equipment.

ACTION: Councillor Redford would discuss with Localities Officer and Road Safety Officers.

265. Rubbish left on WDC land

Councillor Valarie Leigh-Hunt was absent from the meeting and no update had been received.

Councillor Harrington updated that Councillor Day had forwarded emails to John Cooke to progress.

266. Overgrown boundary and dilapidated fence to farmer's field between No. 3 and Wetherley Barn, Sabin Drive

It was noted that the farmer was a tenant of WCC.

ACTION: Councillor Redford would check on ownership of the land.

267. Planning

Nothing to discuss.

268. CCTV

Agenda item for March's meeting.

269. SWLP

Discussed under public participation.

270. Parking in St Michael's Close

Agenda item for March's meeting.

271. St Michael's Close garages

Agenda item for March's meeting.

272. Councillor's reports and items for future agenda

ACTION: Check insurance covers the lights and Speed gun.

<u>PC Rep on Village Hall Committee</u> – Councillor Williams had resigned from the Village Hall Committee. A volunteer was required to replace her. Councillor Robins offered to represent the PC but not be a Committee member.

273. Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 20th March 2023.

Meeting closed at 19:30pm

SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN Councillor T Robbins 16th March 2023