

A meeting of the Amenities & Services Committee was held in the Pavilion, Manor Park Sports Club, Hackthorn Road, Welton on Monday 24th January 2022 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs R Lobley (Chairman), N Hornsey, D Pikett, Mrs S Watson, A Lowen, M Powell and A Greenway

Clerk: Mrs J Murray

A public participation session took place prior to the official start of the meeting.

22/01/31 Chairman's remarks

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

22/01/32 Apologies

On a proposal from Cllr Lobley, seconded by Cllr Mrs Watson, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote that apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Fletcher and Mrs Grimble having considered their reasons for absence.

22/01/33 Declarations of Interest

None

22/01/34 Minutes

On a proposal from Cllr Lobley, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote that the notes of the meeting held on 27th September 2021 be approved and signed as the minutes.

22/01/35 Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported that she had received notification from LCC for the replacement of concrete lighting columns and outdated lanterns which will take place in late April – May. The May Fayre is planned to take place on 2nd May.

22/01/36 Finance Matters

Members received a financial report to 31.12.21.

22/01/37 Bus Service

Dave Skepper from Stagecoach had attended prior to the meeting to discuss the service from Welton to Lincoln with members; it had been an open and helpful dialogue. During the review of the Neighbourhood Plan (NP) on transport, it might be useful to carry out a survey with residents to ascertain if they are satisfied with the service provided and/or would like to see changes made to the routes; feedback could be shared with Stagecoach. Extending the route through Poachers Rest to Prebend Lane might not be possible due to the layout and width of the road. It was pointed out that those residents from the LACE development would be able to catch the bus from the corner of Rivehall Avenue. A few years ago the possibility of a direct route from Welton to Lincoln had been discussed and is a preferred option. On a proposal from Cllr Lobley, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote that a consultation regarding the number 12 routes, incorporating a direct service would be carried out as part of the NP review, using the new roundabout; Ryland Road via the bus stop through to Dunholme and vice versa on the return journey travelling down Westhall Road and Rivehall Avenue.

22/01/38 Trees/Planting/Grass cutting

a. Cllr Powell reported on 144183 – 5 Sudbeck Lane – he has visited the property and agrees that a reduction in height and trimming branches will benefit the tree.

- b. A large Pine tree on the Ryland Road playing field is overhanging a property on Ayam Close, work has been carried out on the tree, but it is still causing a problem. The Tree Warden has had a look and recommends that it is felled to the height of the hedge. On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Lobley, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote for the Clerk to seek quotes and agenda for Full Council in order to expedite the matter.
- c. A resident of Pond Close has offered to plant a tree on the area of POS; there are concerns regarding the responsibility for future maintenance and previously when there was a tree on this area, residents complained about it. On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Lowen, it was **RESOLVED** following a majority vote (6 for, 1 against) to decline the offer.
- d. **Grass Cutting** – three quotes have been received and on a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Powell, it was **RESOLVED** following a majority vote (6 for, 1 against) to accept the quote from Glendale Countryside Ltd and renew the Parish Agreement scheme for 2022-23 with LCC.
- e. **Summer Floral Displays** – three quotes have been sought, but only two received, it was thought that the third one would be received by the end of today and on a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to refer the matter to the Full Council meeting in February to enable all three quotes to be considered. On a proposal from Cllr Lobley, seconded by Cllr Powell, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote that the colour scheme will be red, white and blue to commemorate the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee.
- f. **Planter** – the planter that had been ordered is too large to sit next to the bench on Cliff Road; it was suggested that it could be placed on the plinth left vacant by the removal of the telephone kiosk on the Village Green and a smaller one purchased; on a proposal from Cllr Mrs Watson, seconded by Cllr Lobley, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to agree this course of action.

22/01/39 Footpaths

- a. Cllr Mrs Watson reported that the weather had not been conducive to walking the field paths, but those around the centre of the village were in an acceptable condition and free from litter.
- b. Extension of the footway on Cliff Road from the Saxon Springs development to HealthLinc House – no response to date and the Clerk has chased LCC again.

22/01/40 East Midlands in Bloom Competition

On a proposal from Cllr Lobley, seconded by Cllr Pikett, it was **RESOLVED** following a unanimous vote to enter the competition this year and pay the entrance fee of £20.00.

22/01/41 Lagoon Area

The Clerk reported that the deadline for claiming the LCC Community Wildlife Grant is 1st February and therefore the purchase of seeds, grasses and plants etc. needed to be done this week; on a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Powell, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote that this should be done.

22/01/42 Memorial Benches

On a proposal from Cllr Powell, seconded by Cllr Mrs Watson, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to arrange two dedication ceremonies with the families of Eddie Reall and Malcolm Parish on a date and time at their convenience. The Clerk will write to the families and make the necessary arrangements, informing members accordingly.

22/01/43 Highway Matters

- a. **Road Safety Audit (RSA) at the junction of Ryland Road and Eastfield Lane** – The Clerk has now been given the name of the person to contact at the LRSP and has done so, waiting a response.
- b. **Community Speed Watch Scheme** – the Clerk reported that one new volunteer had joined the group and one had left; more volunteers are still needed to carry out more frequent sessions.
- c. **Disabled Parking Bays** – one bay is due to be marked out in the next few weeks.
- d. **Cliff Road 30mph speed limit** – a request has been received from a resident concerned about speeding traffic and has asked for the limit to be extended by approximately 200 metres to the west. On a proposal from Cllr Lobley, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to write to LCC Highways.
- e. **Lincoln Road 30mph speed limit** – members referred to the RTA that occurred before Christmas involving 6 vehicles, it is dangerous approaching the bend from the A46 and on a proposal from Cllr Powell, seconded by Cllr Lobley, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to write to LCC Highways requesting the 30mph signs are moved to before the bend, potentially to slow vehicles down as they come into the village and particularly before the William Farr School entrance.
- f. **Horse Warning Signs on Cliff Road/Heath Lane** - a request for a traffic regulation order “Beware of Horses” to be placed on this road has been received from a concerned horse rider. On a proposal from Cllr Mrs Watson, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to write to LCC Highways.
- g. **Surface Water Drainage** – there are several locations around the village where there is a persistent problem with water not draining away and/or flooding after a heavy rainfall. Cllr Lobley has experience of working in this area and informed members that responsibility will be with either Anglian Water or LCC; AW has a list of priorities and will only investigate if properties are flooding. As it is an issue local to Welton, under the LGA, if the PC agrees it is for the benefit of the community, permission could be granted from the responsible authorities and the PC has monies available, it could take action under the General Power of Competence to investigate the problems and find out what the issues are. The PC would be acting pro-actively. Information regarding GPC will be provided to Cllr Pikett who queried whether or not it was possible for the PC to do this. On a proposal from Cllr Mrs Watson, seconded by Cllr Greenway, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote for more investigation to take place.

22/01/44 Councillors Reports

None

Chairman:

Date: