

A meeting of Welton-by-Lincoln Parish Council was held in the Pavilion, Manor Park Sports Club, Hackthorn Road, Welton on Monday 13th March 2023 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs A Greenway (Chairman), Mrs M Chapman, R Fletcher, M Powell, D Pikett, R Lobley, Mrs S Watson, Mrs C Grimble, G Briggs, A Lowen and C Seal

Also Present: 1 member of the public and 1 member of the press

Clerk: Mrs Julie Murray

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

23/03/11 Chairman's remarks

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

23/03/12 Apologies

On a proposal from Cllr Mrs Chapman, seconded by Cllr Powell, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to accept apologies from Cllr Thomas having considered and accepted his reason for absence. Cllr Hornsey was absent with no apologies received.

23/03/13 Disclosure of pecuniary interests

None

23/03/14 Minutes

On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote that the notes of the meeting held on 13th February 2023 were approved and signed as the minutes.

23/03/15 On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Watson, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to move agenda item 9 (b), so a discussion could take place while the representatives from the Village Hall Committee, who had given a presentation prior to the commencement of the meeting were still present.

23/03/16 Village Hall Development

The idea had started with the need to replace the Nissan hut which is now quite dilapidated, and has moved on to the outline presented today for additional space to possibly accommodate the library and Parish Office, café, small start-up rooms, office space and become a real Community Hub in the centre of the village. It was suggested that the total cost could be in the region of £2.5m and funds could be raised with a Public Works Loan through the Parish Council. A timescale was discussed and estimated to be 2/3 years for completion. Cllrs Briggs and Pikett are part of the Working Group. Thought needs to be given to how monies could be raised to fund the development without too much cost to the residents of Welton. There is no doubt that the hall would benefit, as would the community from a refurbishment programme and on a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Fletcher, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote that the council supports the project.

23/03/17 Clerk's Report

£17.90 has been raised from the recycling of ink cartridges for the benefit of the Lincolnshire Rivers Trust. We have received confirmation of a flypast by the BBBF Hurricane for the King's Coronation event. A reminder of the meeting taking place on Wednesday with Complete Communities at 3.00pm.

23/03/18 Financial Matters

- a) Members received details of income and expenditure to 28.2.23 and Cllr Fletcher gave a brief statement of the accounts.
- b) On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Watson it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to agree for a Rising Damp Survey to be carried out in the Parish Office at a cost of £162.50.
- c) The Internal Auditor's report was received.
- d) On a proposal from Cllr Mrs Chapman, seconded by Cllr Lobley, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to ratify the accounts paid.

42.92	Allstar	Fuel for van
51.99	West Lindsey DC	MPK Waste Management
13.37	TV Licensing	Library TV Licence
350.00	EDF Energy	MPK/Library Electricity A/c
332.62	Engie	MPK Gas A/c - 18th - 30th November
958.48	Engie	MPK Gas A/c - December
54.84	Viking	Stationery/Office equipment
4,270.00	Trusswells Joinery Ltd	Replacement of Office Window & Door
9.30	Badgemaster	Name Badge
55.00	AC Alarms	Replace faulty emergency light At MPK
65.00	Vision ICT Ltd	.gov domain renewal 2023-2025
135.00	Gateway Automation Ltd	Barrier call out & investigation
4.17	TalkTalk	PO Mobile
46.38	Allstar	Fuel for van
68.90	TalkTalk Business	PO/MPK/Library Telephone & Broadband
2,520.00	The A.L.S. Group	Tables & Chairs Hire for Coronation Event
150.00	E Daley	Balloon Modelling for Coronation Event
2,117.00	Glendale Countryside Ltd	Village Maintenance contract
7,543.99	Wages & Pensions	
13.33	Scothern Nurseries	Grass seed
572.32	Party Packs Limitd	Plates, cups etc for Coronation Event
17.49	HSBC	Bank Charges
280.05	PSA Finance Ltd	Van lease
12.00	The Window Cleaner	PO Windows
26.93	ESPO	Cleaning materials/stationery
54.54	E-Quip (Rasen) Ltd	Materials
120.00	SLCC Enterprises Ltd	Training ILCA
25.88	Viking	Milk & Biscuits for Community Hub events
104.15	Trade UK	PPE/Uniform

23/03/19 Planning

- a) Cllr Powell read out the Planning Report recording applications for consultation and decisions made by WLDC since the last meeting which had been circulated with the agenda.
- b) **146231 – 1 Hazel Grove** – Application to remove garage, porch and existing roof over kitchen area and erect single storey extension with pitched roof and new detached garage – No comments/observations

146207 – The Secret Garden Tea Rooms – Application for advertisement consent to display 1no. façade sign

It was felt that the sign was too long and did not fit within the opening of the archway. Cllr Fletcher proposed that it should be re-designed, seconded by Cllr Lobley, following a vote (4 for, 5 against and 2 abstentions) the motion was not carried. A further proposal was made by Cllr Seal for the sign to be no more than 2 metres in length and the same projection as the previous one, this was seconded by Cllr Lowen and following a vote (8 for, 3 against) it was **RESOLVED** by a majority.

LCC TF/725 - Hazel Grove, Welton – Proposed waiting restrictions vicinity of St Mary's CofE Primary Academy

Cars are parked all over the place at dropping off and picking up times. It was suggested to write to the school asking them to consider increasing the size of their car park to enable staff to park within the school grounds. Members felt that it was a pointless exercise, and a waste of money as there would be no-one to police the restrictions and push the problem elsewhere. On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman, it was **RESOLVED** following a majority vote (9 for, 1 against and 1 abstention) to support this application if an assurance could be given that the restrictions would be policed and enforced and included as a condition of the permission, if granted.

- c) On a proposal from Cllr Lobley, seconded by Cllr Powell, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote that the notes of the meeting held on 26th April 2022 were approved and signed as the minutes.
- d) A request has been received from Stokes to erect their sign on the Parish Office above the archway and on a proposal from Cllr Seal, seconded by Cllr Lobley, it was **RESOLVED** following a majority vote (9 for, 2 against) to request the amendments to the sign as agreed at (b).
- e) Scampton PC is organising a public meeting regarding solar farm applications locally at Cottom, Gate Burton, West Burton and Tillbridge; this meeting will take place on Wednesday 15th March at 7.00pm at Pollyplatt School on RAF Scampton.

23/03/20 Reports and Notes of Meetings

Cllr Lobley reported that he and Cllr Mrs Chapman had attended a meeting with the primary school headteacher to discuss matters relating to the Christ's Hospital Endowment Trust funds and this will be reported in more detail after their next meeting.

Heritage & Events Committee on 6th March 2023

23/03/21 Council and Committees

- a) Annual Parish Meeting - The Clerk has sent out invitations to potential panel members representing health, education, transport, and the police, but unfortunately had received little response. She requested to change the format to presentations from Marc Jones – the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire and Katie Atkin from Anglian Water to talk about the new pipeline and on a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to agree to this change in format. On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Grimble, it was unanimously

RESOLVED following a vote to invite the Village Hall Committee to make a presentation on their proposed development.

b) Village Hall Working Group – see minute 23/03/16

23/03/22 Councillors' Reports

Cllr Lowen informed members that he would like to attend the Scampton PC meeting on Monday 20th March regarding the use of RAF Scampton, and move the Facilities & Recreation Committee meeting to Tuesday 21st March; there were no objections to this.

Cllr Mrs Chapman reported that the new swings on the Ryland Road playing field were being well used and appreciated.

23/03/23 Closed Session

On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman, it was **RESOLVED** following a unanimous vote for the Council to move into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 for the following items on employment matters.

23/03/24 Employment Matters

a) Cllr Fletcher reported on the meeting held by the Personnel Panel and the review of wages that had taken place. On a proposal from Cllr Powell, seconded by Cllr Fletcher, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to accept the terms and conditions of employment and wages for the facilities staff to the increased rate of Minimum Living Wage (a 9.7% increase) with effect from 1st April 2023 and to award the administration team an interim increase of 4.75%, pending confirmation of the national 2023/24 local government pay award and at that time make any adjustment to bring earnings in line with their recommendations, with a minimum increase of 4.75%. On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Greenway, following a vote it was **RESOLVED** by a majority vote (10 for, 1 abstention) that all facilities staff will be paid the same irrespective of age.

b) Cllr Powell reported on the Clerk's annual appraisal.

Signed: Date:
Chairman, Welton-by-Lincoln Parish Council