

A meeting of Welton-by-Lincoln Parish Council was held in the Pavilion, Manor Park Sports Club, Hackthorn Road, Welton on Monday 11th March 2024 at 7.30pm

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

Clerk: Mrs Julie Murray

Also Present: District Cllr S Hague, 3 members of the public and 1 member of the press

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

24/03/11 Chairman's remarks

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

24/03/12 Apologies

Apologies were received from Mrs Grimble by a text message. Cllr Seal was absent with no apologies received. District Cllrs Mrs D Rodgers and P Swift sent their apologies.

24/03/13 Disclosure of Interests

None

24/03/14 Minutes

On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Hornsey and **RESOLVED** following a unanimous vote that the notes of the meeting held on 12th February 2024 were approved and signed as the minutes.

24/03/15 District Councillors Reports

District Cllr Sebastian Hague reported that Flooding Working Group are looking at the issues of flooding and investigating ways they can assist residents. The streetcleaning vehicle can be requested to sweep the village at any time dependent on its availability. The District Council passed its budget and will be concentrating on sports and arts development.

24/03/16 Planning Application 146801

This item was brought forward on the agenda to allow a discussion whilst members of the public were still in attendance and had expressed concerns regarding this application during the public open forum.

Eastfield Lane is a narrow lane and vehicles would not be able to give horses, cyclists and walkers sufficient room to pass safely and in accordance with the widths recommended in the Highway Code. Flooding is an issue particularly outside number 66. It was agreed that the PC would object again on the principals it stated originally with increased concerns regarding the flooding issues and to send a representative to speak within the 5 minute allotted slot at the WLDC Planning meeting on the 29th March. On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman and **RESOLVED** following a unanimous vote to delegate Cllr Powell, the Clerk and a resident to meet and decide on an appropriate response.

8.02pm The meeting was adjourned to allow Dist Cllr Hague to speak. He would be unable to make representation on this application as he is a member of the Planning Committee, but Dist Cllrs Mrs Rodgers and Swift would be able to make representation on the PC's behalf if they are able to do so. *8.05pm* The meeting resumed.

24/03/17 Clerk's Report

I have ordered the framed portrait of His Majesty King Charles III which was available to all government bodies fully funded by the government.

Update on Beal Homes transfer of land off Prebend Lane – chased WLDC 19.2.24

24/03/18 Finance Matters

- a) Members received details of income and expenditure to 29.2.24.
- b) It was agreed to purchase a brass plaque for the gavel and block donated by Cllr Greenway at a cost of £15.45 and Cllr Greenway gave the Clerk a donation to make the purchase. The following will be engraved on the plaque: *Welton-by-Lincoln Parish Council, Presented by Cllr Alan Greenway, December 2023*
- 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:

46.15	WLDC	MPK Waste Management
13.25	TV Licensing	Library TV Licence
43.74	Allstar	Fuel for van
235.78	Trade Paints UK Ltd	Paint for play equipment
16.18	Huws Gray Ltd	Ballast/Cement for litter bin
3,385.00	Carrington Communications Ltd	Marketing/Branding etc. for Music Festival
359.50	Nigel Smith Plumbing Ltd	Replace master board on boiler
75.00	Boyd Sport & Play Ltd	Football nets for AGP
73.72	Amazon Business Ltd	Flags/Paper cutter
140.01	Signs Express	Various warning signs for MPK
4.17	TalkTalk	PO Mobile
9,025.85	Wages & Pensions	
3.99	Allstar	Admin Fee
54.35	TalkTalk Business	Telephone/Broadband
11.59	HSBC	Bank charges
802.96	Engie Gas Ltd	MPK/Library Gas A/c
381.15	Engie Power Ltd	PO Electricity A/c
684.43	Engie Power Ltd	MK Electricity A/c
176.00	WLDC	Garden Waste Bins x 4
12.00	The Window Cleaner	PO Windows
720.00	Philip Westman Landscapes Ltd	Pathway from MPK to Keepers Close
41.17	E-Quip (Rasen) Ltd	Maintenance materials
240.00	Welton Rural District (Girlguiding)	Grant
82.00	ESPO	Stationery/Catering
92.40	Viking	Cleaning materials/Catering
50.00	J Cox	Refund of deposit for MPK Hire
72.02	Allstar	Fuel for van/Staff travel expenses
50.00	Cherry Willingham Bodyworks	Repair to van

24/03/19 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) **147895 – 35 Roselea Avenue** – Planning application for single storey side and rear extension and other alterations – no comments/observations
147925 – The Black Bull Pub – Application for advertisement consent for illuminated and non-illuminated signs – no comments/observations
147792 – 25 Reed Lane – Planning application to erect a log cabin – no comments/observations
147972 – 44 Ryland Road – Planning Application for replacement rear extension – no comments/observations

Trees:

148028 – 21 Eastfield Lane – Notice to carry out tree works; to fell 1no Cherry tree
 Cllr Powell reported that work has now been carried out on the Ash tree on Prebend Lane which had been reported to LCC some months ago, they have taken the crown off, but the tree is rotten and in his opinion should have been felled.

Government Consultations:

Proposed changes to national planning rules for brownfield sites – no comments
 Consultation on changes to various permitted development rights – no comments

24/03/20 Reports and Notes of Meetings

There have been no committee meetings since the last Full Council meeting.
 Welton Moncé Family Twinning Group – Cllr Briggs reported that no invitation has been received to the 50th Anniversary celebrations to date and will speak to his French counterpart.
 Christ's Hospital Endowment Trust – Cllr Lobley reported that there had not been a meeting of the committee recently.

24/03/21 Village Hall Development

The committee has sent a report to the council giving an update on how funding applications were progressing and the following proposals for the way forward which were circulated with the agenda:

- The feasibility of moving the parish council's administrative base and the library to the village hall site in a new or extended building.
- The support of the council for capital grant funding for phase one of the redevelopment project.
- Formal discussions as to future governance arrangements which would maximise funding opportunities, while providing the necessary safeguards for both council and the trust.
- Consideration of funding a time-limited project manager post to carry the project forward.

Prior to proceeding it was suggested that the council takes legal advice. On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Lobley, it was **RESOLVED** following a unanimous vote for the PC to support the strategy described in this paper as a vehicle between the PC and Village Hall Trust as to how this can be enabled.

24/03/22 Council and Committees:

- a) There was no update on the Annual Parish Meeting and the matter was deferred to the next meeting.

- b) Local Council Award Scheme – a copy of the Council’s Action Plan had been circulated with the agenda and on a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman and **RESOLVED** following a unanimous vote to agree the plan.
- c) An invitation to the Chairman to attend the monthly engagement meetings with the Home Office/WLDC regarding the future use of RAF Scampton has been received; Cllr Greenway is unable to attend via Zoom and therefore on a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman and **RESOLVED** following a majority vote (9 for, 2 abstentions) that the Clerk will attend on behalf of the PC and report back.

24/03/23 Councillors’ Reports

Cllr Lowen reported that he had a meeting with Sheltons and Mr J Hodges (Welton FC) to walk the pitches at Manor Park and Ryland Road with regard to drainage issues. Full drainage to Manor Park has not been redeveloped since the late 1990’s. The estimate to rectify the problem at Manor Park would be in the region of £70 - £110,000 for which funding may be available through the FA and the Ryland Road pitch approximately £20,000. The matter will be an agenda item for the next Facilities & Recreation Committee meeting.

Cllr Pikett reported that the condition of the road surface on Mill Lane is dreadful. The matter will be an agenda item for the next Amenities & Services Committee meeting.

8.45pm On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman, it was **RESOLVED** following a unanimous vote for the meeting to be adjourned to allow for a presentation to the Clerk on her 20th Anniversary of working for the PC.

8.52pm The meeting resumed.

24/03/24 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 item on employment matters.

24/03/25 Employment Matters

Cllr Fletcher gave a report on the Clerk’s appraisal which he and Cllr Powell had carried out on the 6th March, a copy is available in the Parish Office if members would like to see it. On a proposal from Cllr Greenway, seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to accept the report.

Signed: Date:

Chairman, Welton-by-Lincoln Parish Council