
Welney Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Welney Parish Council, Tuesday 1st November 2022, 7.15pm at the William Marshall Centre

Committee Members: Cllr. Harvey (Chair), Cllr. Barker, Cllr. Lowry, Cllr. Spears (Vice Chair), Cllr Gardiner, Cllr Goodger.

Those Present: Cllr. Lowry, Cllr. Spears, Cllr Gardiner, Cllr Goodger, BCllr Rose, Clerk M Hilton.

Apologies: Cllr. Harvey, Cllr Barker,

Public: two

MINUTES

1. **Welcome and opening remarks:** the Vice-chair Cllr Spears welcomed everyone to the meeting, and presided.
2. **To receive apologies for absence:** these were approved
3. **To declare any conflicts and pecuniary interests on any items on this month's Agenda:** none were given
4. **To approve the Minutes from the last meeting:** these were approved and signed by the Chair
5. **Public Forum (ten minutes only):** A parishioner asked for the minutes from the 1st March 2022 Parish Assembly to be changed, as he believes these are incorrectly recorded, the Councillors and the Clerk explained that once the minutes are signed off, they cannot be changed. The minutes are a true account of what was said at that meeting.
6. **To discuss and consider the Action Log from previous meetings:**
 - Verge white lines, this is still ongoing, Cllr Gardiner to meet Highways on site in November.
 - Overgrown trod between Sandgate and Stockyard farm, Cllr Goodger will be completing this very soon.
 - A traffic cone which is covering up the remains of an obsolete or missing traffic sign thought to be a triangular series of bends hazard sign. Still waiting for this to be sorted, apparently its on a BT box, highways have reported this to BT.
 - The tree covering the solar panel on Wash Road will be cut back soon by the Councillors
 - Two finger posts have been reported, one at Back Drove and one at Wisbech Rd.
 - A pothole at Rutland House Wisbech Road has been reported and now has a white line around it, so should be repaired soon.
 - Missing cats' eyes on Main Street, Mark Sharman from highways is meeting Cllr. Gardiner regarding the white lines so this will be reviewed at the same time.
7. **To agree if any bids are to be submitted for Parish Partnership Scheme:** no bids will be made this time around.
8. **To agree if any bids are to be submitted for the Cil grants:** its was approved to apply for two defibrillators. If approved the Council will then apply to Marshalls Charity for a grant for the other 50% and for the up keep of them.
9. **Reports from individual Councillors, Council Groups and Clerk**
 - i. To approve planning applications: *none to report this month*

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- ii. To note the meeting dates for next year and discuss whether to reduce the number of meetings per annum: the meeting dates were approved, the reduction of meetings per annum will be discussed at the finance meeting.
- iii. To receive an update on Welney Xmas Tree and lights: the Christmas tree has kindly been donated. An application to 'Make Welney Beautiful' will be applied for, for the cost of the Christmas tree lights.

10. To note any Health and Safety issues: none to report.

A new dog waste bin has been ordered and will be positioned at the playing field. The damaged one at Hurn Drove will be removed and not replaced.

11. Finance

- i. To note payments made since last meeting: these were approved

Payments for November 2022 Authorisation

Payee	Goods/Services	VAT	TOTAL	DD/EP <small>electronic payment /direct debit</small>	Supplier/Service
Melanie Hilton Salary	675.18	0.00	675.18	EP	50.5 Hours
Melanie Hilton Expenses	9.00	0.00	9.00	EP	16 miles to and from WMC for meeting.
HMRC	187.71	0.00	187.71	EP	Month 7
Nest Pension scheme	23.89	0.00	23.89	DD	Clerks pension
RBL poppy Appeal	20.00	0.00	20.00	EP	Poppy Wreath
Paul Spears	11.08	2.22	13.30	EP	Perspex sample
Wisbech Payroll	62.25	0.00	62.25	EP	Payroll July - Sept 22
WMC	70.00	0.00	70.00	EP	Donation received from CClr Dawson for Jubilee Tree (WMC paid for this)(Pd WMC 13/10/22)
Westcotec	111.12	22.22	133.34	DD	street Light Maintenance
Npower	79.50	3.98	83.48	DD	Street light energy Sept. 2022
TOTAL	£1,249.73	£28.42	£1,278.15		

- ii. To note income and expenditure balances reconciled from the previous month: this was noted
- iii. To arrange a date for the first budget meeting: this was arranged for the 21st November at 6pm.

12. To propose any items for the next agenda: get these to the Clerk in good time.

Items noted.....

- Cllr Spears reported that the Council are still waiting on a start date to fit the village gates from highways the Clerk will chase this.
- The bus shelter replacement Perspex has been delivered and will be installed shortly
- The noticeboard still has not been delivered; the Clerk will chase this.
- The Clerk will chase a start date for the new solar streetlights to be installed

13. To note the date of the next parish council meeting – 6th December at 7.15 pm at William Marshall Centre

14. Close: the meeting closed at 8.38pm

Signed by the Chairman Date

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