#### PRESENT:

Councillors M. Nairn Chairman, M Lister Vice Chairman, M Buxton, , M Burlingham, T Childerhouse and P. Angus Clerk to the Council.

There were 2 members of the public and Mr J Reay Handyman

#### 1. THE CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 2. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Cllrs Prosser and Walmsley and Drewry

#### 3. ACCEPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2016 having been previously circulated were approved. All agreed. The Chair signed the Minutes.

# 4. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr T Childerhouse - planning on Fengate Farm.

#### 5. MEETING SUSPENDED FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A member of the public said that she would like to run fitness classes 3 times a week on the playing field and following a discussion it was agreed that the Parish Cllrs would fully support this idea and Cllr Lister would check with the football team to make sure that the days they want to use the field does not clash with the days that the football club use it.

#### 6. MATTERS ARISING

### 6.1 Outstanding Highway Matters – to discuss any outstanding issues

Post on corner of Saxon Walk- no news- Cllr Monson was going to look into this, he was not at the meeting. The Chair said that John Maxin so far has 4 volunteers for the Speed Watch Scheme. The Chairs pointed out that the word SLOW that was painted on the road as you come into the village has completely disappeared and he suggested that perhaps the speed limit of 30MPH is painted on the roads and on the bends and also as you approach the School, the Clerk will speak with David Jacklin to see if this is possible. The Chair has spoken to Westcotec regarding the Sam 2 Speed signs, Roy Pain from Westcotec will be coming to site to check out the feasibility of this.

# 6.2 Street Lighting –Street Lighting Officers report

Cllr Burlingham said that there had been 3 faulty lights reported and she had noticed that the bottom of unit 13 has completely rusted.

# 6.3 Playing Field/Open Spaces - update regarding the proposed new play equipment

Cllr Lister said she had a price from the contractors of £562 to weed the football pitch and all agreed that this should go ahead. The Chair said that the first stage of the application for the grant for the new play equipment had been successful and the Clerk has now been asked to submit the full bid, the cost of the new equipment is £11,196 all agreed to go ahead with this price and the Clerk will apply for the grant towards the cost. Cllr Lister has a quote of £680 to clear some weeds, nettles and trees by the play area, Cllr Childerhouse proposed that this price is accepted, this was seconded by Cllr Lister and all agreed. The handyman has received a quote for £303.84 for some Red Cedar Shingles for Parrotts Piece and all agreed that this price is accepted. The handyman explained that some aluminium strips would need to be put at the bottom of some of the play equipment to protect it from the strimmer and it was agreed that this should go ahead. A discussion took place regarding the Village Sign plinth and the Chair asked the handyman to look at a coating that can be applied to waterproof it. Following a discussion regarding the ROSPA play equipment inspection it was agreed that the Parish Council would obtain an alternative price from another play equipment inspection company. The dog walk needs to be strimmed, Cllr Lister said she will talk to Trevor regarding this and get back to the Clerk. A discussion took place regarding moles and also payment for the grass cutting in the Church yard and it was agreed that the Clerk contact the Rector Joan Horan as the original agreement was that the Church would pay half towards the grass cutting and to date no money has been received.

#### 6.4 Trod – update on the progress

The application for the grant towards the Trod has been acknowledged however no decision will be made until March 2017. Following a discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council will go ahead with the trod now and look at something else to spend the partnership grant on, the cost of the trod will be £3680 + VAT.

# 6.5 Lollipop Man

The Chair said that although it looks like the lollipop man will be remaining this needs to be confirmed at a later date so this will not be discussed at this meeting.

## 6.6 Moving the defibrillator from the Village Hall to the old Red Telephone Box

The Clerk met with CLC Electricians to discuss moving the defibrillator from the village hall to the old red telephone box, the price quoted for this is £472.52, following a discussion it was agreed that the Clerk will arrange for this job to be carried out.

### 7. REPORTS

# 7.1 Chairman's Report

## 7.2 Clerks Report

The Clerk read out the following report. The Website now has a history of the Minutes from February 2016. Arranged repairs to street lights in Pilgrims Way, Castle Close, St Edmunds and Jubilee Close. Completed grant application for the Trod. Reported to the handyman a fallen tree trunk in Pilgrims Way in which he dealt with very quickly. Met with Wickstead along with the Chair and Cllr Lister regarding new play area. The Parish Council now have an account with Fengate Fasteners. The VAT from Jan to May 2016 for a total of £2814.55 has been claimed and refunded all future claims will be carried out every quarter. Put a claim in on the motor insurance for the new street light in Brandon Road junction of Pilgrims Way. The progress on old files is slow but they are all collated in to piles ready to be catalogued. Met with electrician regarding moving the defibrillator to the telephone box. Had a call from the school to say that they have a pile of dog waste posters that the children have produced for the Cllrs to judge, the Clerk will collect them from the school next week.

# 7.3 Village Handyman Report

Mr Reay read out the following report. He has cut and taken away the tree branch in Pilgrims Way. Norse cut the Football grass and he helped them with the orange netting. Play area fence – fitted 14 half round rails cut to pale board size – fitted 2 concrete spur repair posts. Met with ROSPA person along with Cllr Lister and is now carrying out actions following her advice. Fixed up and repaired orange netting on the football pitch. Fitted decking to the picnic bench table top to cover up vandalism. Cleared away the fly tipping at the bottle bank.

# 7.4 Bowls Club Report

Cllr Lister said that they had had all the hedges cut and the greens looking good and there is karaoke this month.

# 7.5 Village Hall Report

The AGM took place.

#### 7.6 District Councillors Report

Not at meeting.

# 7.7 County Councillors Report

Not at meeting

# 8. CORRESPONDENCE – To report on any outstanding correspondence received by the Council

The Chair said that he had had an email from a resident offering an oak tree and following a discussion it was agreed to plant it in The Spinney. Cllr Childerhouse mentioned some offensive comments that

had been made on a Facebook page that is called Weeting Parish Council, the Chair pointed out that Cllr Drewry was putting in security measures to stop this happening in the future.

### 9. FINANCE

# 9.1 To Agree and Sign the Payments for June/July 2016 Invoices

The payments for June/July were agreed this was proposed by Cllr Buxton, seconded by Cllr Burlingham and all agreed.

The following payments were authorised on Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> July 2016 the cheques were signed by Cllr Childerhouse and Cllr Prosser.

Balance for May 2016		£29,387.47	
Minus the following direct debits			
E-On Street Lights		£372.64	
E-On Street Lights Parrots Piece		£10.66	
Viridor Waste Collection		£68.52	
Mr J Reay Salary Paid by DD		£200.00	
<b>Total Direct Debits</b>		£651.82	
Plus the following	ng receipts		
VAT refund		£2,814.55	
Weeting Fayre		£425.30 (ring fenced)	
Weeting Bowls		£18.75	
Total Income Total after Direct Debits and Income		£3,258.60 £31,994.25	
Cheques	Description	Total	
103192	Mrs P Angus - Clerk Salary/Mileage/Phone	£501.19	
103193	Mr J Reay - Handyman Salary/Mileage/Expenses	£515.87	
103194	Weeting Village Hall - Donation for Chairs	£1,072.00	
103195	Norse Grounds Maintenance	£796.07	
103196	Terry Hawkins - Web Maintenance (two months)	£60.00	
103197	Fengate Fasteners - Maintenance Supplies	£29.12	
103198	Chase Timber – Maintenance supplies (4 invoices)	£288.93	
103199	Westcotec - Street Light Maint and Repair	£248.08	
103200	Amey LG - Emergency Call Out Castle Close	£230.69	
103201	Viking - Black Sacks for Handyman	£39.56	
103202	Weeting Village Hall - Hall Hire	£18.75	
103203	E-ON Football Club	£10.43	
	Total Cheques paid	£3,810.69	
Balance Balance (£3757.	£28,183.56 £21,734.93		

# 9.2 Grant application - Weeting Primary School

A letter from the School had been circulated and the Parish Councillors prior to the meeting and following advice received from SLCC the Parish Council does have the powers to give a donation to the school as this project will be classed as recreational. Following a discussion, it was agreed that the new Grant Aid Policy (see item 9.5) would apply to this application. It was also agreed that the Parish Council would ask the School for a site visit prior to any donation being discussed and agreed.

# 9.3 Change of Bank – update from the Clerk

The clerk has a list of local banks and will be calling to investigate changing Banks as the service with Barclays is not satisfactory.

# 9.4 Change of signatories for cheque signing- to discuss possible future change of signatures.

The Chair said that this would be discussed after the Clerk has investigated switching Bank accounts.

### 9.5 New Grant Aid Policy – to agree and adopt the new Grant Aid Policy

Copies of this had been circulated to the Cllrs prior to the meeting and all agreed that this be adopted with immediate effect.

#### 10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

#### 3PL/2013/1184/O Weeting Mundford Road

Mixed use development Food store/Petrol Filling Station/play barn/business trade/access road and car parking – Planning refused 28<sup>th</sup> June 2016

# 3PL/2016/0730 Fengate Farm IP27 0QF

Proposed storage lagoon for liquid organic waste dated 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016 **No objections** 

## 3PL/2016/0815/HOU 42 Angerstein Close Weeting IP27 0RL

Single storey side extension and conversion of existing garage (ancillary accommodation) dated 4<sup>th</sup> July 2016

No objections

TRE/2014/0139/TPO 3 Hall Close Weeting Norfolk IP27 TPO – lost appeal

### 11. MEMBERS' MATTERS - Items for next agenda

Cllr Burlingham said that the new surfacing of the paths in Weeting are a disgrace and a waste of money as within three days there were weeds coming through. Cllr Burlingham said that there is a large hole in the road at the Junction of Grimes Graves on the A1065, the Clerk will report both these problems to Highways and add to the next agenda. Cllr Burlingham mentioned the drainage problem in Brandon Road, the Chair said that the drainage system along the whole of Brandon Road is defective and there is a remedial survey due to take place to see what needs to be done to address it, however he is uncertain when this will be happening. Cllr Burlingham also said that Fengate and the rubbish are a disgrace to Weeting, the Chair said that the builders that are building the new houses in that area will be addressing that issue. There was a discussion regarding the Bus shelter in Rectory Lane which is going to be moved and it was agreed that it could be moved to just outside the School entrance, this will be discussed with the School when the Cllrs visit the site regarding the donation request and added to the next agenda.

With nothing more to discuss the meeting closed at	8.45pm
Chairman:	_ Date: