

Minutes of the Weeting with Broomhill Parish Council Meeting Held at Weeting Village Hall, Weeting on Thursday 17th August 2017

PRESENT:

Councillors M. Nairn Chairman, M. Lister Vice Chairman, M. Buxton, J. Prosser, S. Walmsley, County Councillor F. Eagle and Mrs P. Angus Clerk to the Council.
There were 2 members of the public, Mr J Reay Handyman and a PCSO

1. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Cllrs Childerhouse and Drewry and Burlingham

2. THE CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

3. ACCEPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 27th July 2017 having been previously circulated were approved. Cllr Buxton proposed that they be accepted as a true record, this was seconded by Cllr Prosser and all agreed.

4. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

5. MEETING SUSPENDED FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The PCSO said the registrations of the suspicious vehicles that were seen in Weeting have been circulated to other Police forces in the area, the chair said that there had been a number of suspicious vehicles in the village and also foragers had been seen in the forest. The Speed Watch co-ordinator said that Cllr Prosser had been accepted as a volunteer for the scheme subject to training, the volunteers have been threatened by a driver who came back to them whilst they were carrying out a speed check and told them he would run them down, he reported the incident to the police, he said Mr Parrott has now cut down the trees that were overhanging the speed limit signs. The Chair asked the Speed Watch co-ordinator to give him some statistics of the number of cars that are speeding as he would like to present that to Highways to back the Councils application to try and can get a 30mph speed limit starting at Fengate Drove and going through the village. Cllr smith said that he has seen a speeding car that was almost airborne and he will try and get the registration number if it happens again. A member of the public congratulated the Parish Council on the excellent condition of the play area and equipment.

6. MATTERS ARISING

6.1 Outstanding Highway Matters – to discuss any outstanding issues

New speed limit – The Chair asked County Councillor Eagle for his support for the proposed new speed limit through the village. Cars are parking on the pavements in the new estate and it was agreed that the Clerk will ask David Jacklin from Highways to come to Weeting to discuss this and other outstanding matters. Parrotts Piece parking – the Chair said that the parking on the verge cannot be stopped and he is going to contact Highways to discuss putting a mesh over the grass to try and stop any deterioration to the grass. Overgrown bushes in the Pathway to Castle Close – it was agreed that the Handyman trims these back as he has done in previous years. Cllr Lister said she has had complaints regarding trees that are too high in the gardens in All Saints.

6.2 Street Lighting – Street Lighting officers report

Cllr Lister said that there 4 reported out in Angerstein and one in Shadwell. As it will cost £700 to decommission the light in Castle Close and it was agreed not to go ahead with this at this time.

6.3 Playing Field/Open Spaces

Cllr Lister said that the suppliers of the Air Walker are coming out to take a look at it as there is some deterioration on one of the handles causing it to click.

6.4 Slow Down in Our Village Stickers for Rubbish Bins update regarding grant

The Clerk had been informed by County Cllr Fabian Eagle that once she has ordered the stickers and paid for them she is to invoice Norfolk County Council and he will pass this on to the correct department. The Clerk confirmed that they will have standard "Please Slow Down in Our Village" wording on them and she will order 150 stickers.

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7. REPORTS

7.1 Chairman's Report

Nothing at this time

7.2 Clerks Report

- Completed and sent final papers off to bank regarding Cllr Walmsley becoming a signatory.
- Reported problem with the Double Air Walker to Fresh Air Fitness who are coming to site to take a look as the equipment is still under warranty.
- Contacted Cllr Eagle regarding grant for stickers who has said to send him the invoice and he will pass this on to Norfolk County Council.
- Contacted the estate agents regarding the weeds by the shop and flats.
- Contacted UK Power Networks regarding decommissioning light number 6 in Castle Close and had price back of £700
- Started to look at Weeting's standing orders as they should be reviewed every 4 years.
- Contacted another Grass Cutting company to come and take a look a pricing for next year's contract.

7.3 Village Handyman Report

The Handyman reported that he had cut back the nettles and bushes on the dog walk, fitted concrete repair spur on small gate post on the dog walk, fixed stumps on 3 other 4"x4" post, although it is the School holidays it has been fairly quiet regarding the litter picking on the playing field and play areas, the litter bins are being used more and more as well as the dog bin, took 2 wheelie bins back to Mr Colin Parrott who had kindly loaned them to the WPC for their Fete Days, Mr John McAndrew kindly litter picked the playing field and play area whilst the Handyman was on holiday and it was agreed that the Parish Council write a letter of thanks to both Mr Parrott and Mr McAndrew for their help, there is still some household waste being left at the bottle bank including carrier bags containing nappies, still putting clothes into the clothes bank, however the cloths bank is being emptied at more regular intervals.

7.4 Bowls Club Report

Cllr Lister said they now have extra players and are doing very well and they hope to start the refurbishing work on the WC's in October. Cllr Prosser said they have been looking at new ride on mowers, Cllr Lister said that they picked some equipment up from Thetford yesterday that included 2 lawn mowers and some tables and chairs. Cllr Prosser said that Goff are sponsoring their shirts and tomorrow they are having a photo shoot when they will be formally presented with the shirts from a chief executive from the company.

7.5 Village Hall Report

Nothing to report

7.6 District Councillors Report

Not at meeting

7.7 County Councillors Report

County Councillor Eagle confirmed that the Clerk can send the invoice for the wheelie bin stickers to him and he will pass it on to Norfolk County Council. Central Government have cut their budget which means that spending cuts will be made to some NCC services. He confirmed that he will support Weeting on the campaign for a new speed limit into the village.

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

None

9. FINANCE

9.1 To Agree and Sign the Payments for August Invoices

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The following payments were agreed and authorised on Thursday the 17th August 2017 The cheques were signed by Cllr Lister and Cllr Nairn, this was proposed by Cllr Buxton, seconded by Cllr Lister and all agreed

Balance for July 2017	£31,117.93
Minus the following direct debits	
E-On Street Lights	£472.42
E-On Street Lights Parrots Piece	£10.20
Viridor Waste Collection	£49.92
Mr J Reay Salary Paid by SO	£200.00
Total Direct Debits	£732.54

Plus the following receipts	
Weeting Bowls	£18.75
Total Income	£18.75
Total after Direct Debits and Income	£30,404.14

Cheques	Description	Total
400077	Fengate Fasteners - Village Maintenance Supplies	£13.92
400078	Westcotec - Street Light Maintenance	£194.08
400079	Chase Timber - Village Maintenance Supplies	£35.23
400080	Norse Eastern Ltd - Grass Cutting	£825.85
400081	Mrs M Burlingham - 2015/2016 and 2016/2017 Street light telephone calls	£130.00
400082	E-On - Football Club	£30.36
400083	Fenland Leisure Ltd - Swing Repairs	£513.11
400084	Mrs P Angus - £467.68 Salary - £25.00 office rent and £9.50 Phone	£502.18
400085	Mr J Reay - 52 hours salary £201.61 (£200 paid by standing order) Mileage 40 miles £18.00	£219.61
400086	Weeting Village Hall - Hall Hire for meetings	£18.75
Total Cheques paid		£2,483.09
Balance in Community Account August 2017		£27,921.05
Balance in Savings Account		£0.00
(£2,000 ringfenced for play area maintenance)		

10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS (Received after the previous meeting)

3PL/2017/0906/HOU 4 Hockwold Road IP27 0QE

Large single storey rear extension and garage dated 27th July 2017

No objections

The chair said that he was not told about the old station yard in Brandon that is now being used for the depositing and distribution of recycled aggregates in Brandon and that Norfolk County Council approved the planning for this.

11. MEMBERS' MATTERS - items for next Agenda

None

With nothing more to discuss the meeting closed at 7.46pm

Chairman: _____ Date: _____