

Minutes of the Weeting with Broomhill Parish Council Meeting Held at Weeting Village Hall, Weeting on Thursday 19th April 2018

PRESENT:

Councillors M. Nairn Chair, M. Lister Vice Chair, M. Buxton, S. Walmsley, J. Prosser, M. Burlingham, P. Smith, T. J. Childerhouse, District Cllr Sam Chapman-Allen and Mrs P. Angus Clerk to the Council.

Mr J Reay Handyman. There were 6 members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Cllr C Drewry and County Cllr F. Eagle

2. THE CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and said that the defibrillator pads have now been replaced with new sets.

3. ACCEPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 15th of March 2018 were accepted as a true record of that meeting, this was proposed by Cllr Burlingham, seconded by Cllr Childerhouse and all agreed, the Chair signed the minutes.

4. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Childerhouse item 12 for Planning 3PL/2018/0341 Land to the rear of 6 Cromwell Road Weeting

5. DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORTS

5.1 District Councillors Report

District Cllr Sam Chapman Allen read out his report (see attached separate report)

Cllr Prosser asked about the poor speed of broadband in Weeting – Open Reach is investigating this problem. Cllr Burlingham through the Chair thanked District Cllr Chapman-Allen for his huge amount of help and support that he has given to the Parish Council over the past few weeks.

5.2 County Councillors Report

Not at meeting apologies sent.

6. MEETING SUSPENDED FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Speed Watch co-ordinator said that on the 5th May all 86 Speed Watch groups will be out on the streets of Norfolk and the local police will hopefully be out supporting these groups.

A member of the public said that a resident in Weeting would be interested in having the empty signal box from the railway crossing. The same member of the public said that some bushes were overhanging the pathway on the road coming into Weeting where he carries out some of the speed watches, the Chair said that these and the bushes near Victor Charles Close would be reported to the Rangers when they are next in the village. He went on to ask how often the defibrillator had actually been used and it was confirmed that it had not been used although there had been a few times when it was thought that it was needed but thankfully it wasn't necessary. He also said that the rubbish on Mundford Road at Emily's Wood was mentioned to him and the Chair said that it is being dealt with by the various authorities and it will take some time. He also said that the road coming in from Brandon where the pothole was had been swept by a very helpful resident of Weeting. Another member of the public said that the pathway on the Corner of Hockwold Road had been very well repaired by Highways.

7. MATTERS ARISING

7.1 Outstanding Highway Matters – to discuss any outstanding issues

Speed limit from Fengate Drove through Weeting – the Chair said that Highways will not fund a speed limit out of their normal budget, however the Chair will be looking into having the speed limit funded through the Road Safety Unit. Cllr Burlingham said that there is a pothole at the entrance of Fengate Drove – the clerk will report this.

7.2 Street Lighting – Street Lighting officers report

5 lights have been reported this month – Cllr Burlingham will talk to Westcotec about this amount of lights as they are the new long-life LED's.

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7.3 Playing Field/Open Spaces

Village Hall Carpark - it was agreed that the overflow car park is blocked off until the grass has become established.

Village hall drive – Cllr Lister said that the cost of the repairs at the entrance of the drive will be £1945.00 it was proposed by Cllr Smith that this quote is accepted, seconded by Cllr Buxton and all agreed.

Bulb planting – The Chair said that he will be arranging a date for a bulb planting session (daffodils and crocuses) in the autumn.

Grass cutting – Cllr Prosser said that the new grass cutters had done a very good job and it was agreed that the Clerk would drop them a line to say how impressed Weeting Parish Council are with their work.

Football field – this will need rolling and Cllr Smith said he will see if can do something about this.

A resident is walking her dogs on the playing field and it was agreed that the Clerk would write to this person asking her to stop doing this.

7.4 Brandon Railway Crossing – update from Cllr Smith

Cllr Smith said there has been an increased attendance of railway personal and regular maintenance has been carried out on the reflector lenses.

7.5 Litter Pick planned for the 29th April

There is going to be a litter pick on the 29th April meeting at the Bowls Club at 10.00am – hi viz jackets, gloves, litter picks and hoops have been ordered/purchased.

7.6 General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)– to appoint a Data Protection Officer (DPO) – this can be the Clerk or this service can be offered from an outside company such as the Local Council Public Advisory Service – fees will apply.

The clerk is happy to carry out duties and was formally appointed as the DPO.

8. REPORTS

8.1 Chairman's Report

The Chair said that this year is the centenary of the Armistice and the chair is going to donate to the church two statuettes that are called “There but not There”. Cllr Burlingham asked if some trees could be planted in memory of the centenary.

8.2 Clerks Report

- Started preparing for the new General Data Protection Laws
- Delivered leaflets with Cllr Lister and I would like to thank everyone for their help with this
- Dealt with problem regarding driving across green areas in Angerstein Close – referred this to Highways
- Closed off 2017/2018 HMRC and opened the new year 2018/2019
- Closed off the Parish Councils 2017/2018 accounts spread sheet and opened up the new 2018/2019
- Started on the end of year audit
- Reported the Castles broken fence to English Heritage and they are going to get this repaired

8.3 Village Handyman Report

- Repaired the holes in the chain link fence between the dog walk and the main road.
- Met with the grass cutting company and showed him around the village to confirm the areas that he needs to cut.
- Repaired the posts and decking around the teen shelter.
- Fixed the road pins, posts, and orange netting at each of the village hall grass carpark and chain and lock and put the sign up.
- Still regular fly tipping at the bottle bank and reported this to Cllr Nairn and Cllr Lister who have been very supportive with taking photos of this problem – (at this point it was agreed that the Clerk would invoice NCC for the cost of taking away this rubbish – the handy man said it

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was £20.00 and a new sign would be purchased for this area to say “No Fly Tipping or Dumping”

- Put clothes into the Clothes bank on regular occasions because the chute where the clothes are put into the bank keeps jamming up.

8.4 Bowls Club Report

They have had Wi-Fi installed and are planning on open day on the 5th May.

8.5 Village Hall Report

Nothing to report

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

None

10. FINANCE

10.1 To Agree and Sign the Payments for March/April Invoices

The following payments were authorised on Thursday the 19th April 2018, this was proposed by Cllr Buxton, seconded by Cllr Walmsley and all agreed. The cheques were signed by Cllrs M Lister and M Burlingham (*400161 signed by P. Angus and M. Lister)

Balance for March 2018 **£28,182.18**

Minus the following direct debits

E-On Street Lights	£472.42
E-On Street Lights Parrots Piece	£12.62
Viridor Waste Collection	£52.60
Mr J Reay Salary Paid by SO	£200.00

Total Direct Debits **£737.64**

Plus the following receipts

Precept	£18,250.00
Council Tax Grant	£599.00
Weeting Bowls	£18.75

Total Income **£18,867.75**

Total after Direct Debits and Income **£46,312.29**

Cheques	Description	Total
400161*	Mrs P Angus - Payment for materials for Village Hall Car Park / invoices attached for the goods	£5,394.49
400162	Community Heartbeat - Pads for defibrillator	£129.60
400163	Fengate Fasteners - Village Maintenance Supplies	£9.54
400164	Chase Timber Products - Village Maintenance Supplies	£11.94
400165	NALC - Yearly Subscription	£331.24
400166	Viking Stationers - printer inks	£48.85
400167	Void Cheque	£0.00
400168	Anglia Computer Solutions - Computer repair for virus	£30.00
400169	Mrs P Angus - Salary £468.68/ Mileage to Weeting £4.50 Office Allowance £25.00/ Phone £5.00	£505.18
400170	Weeting Village Hall - Hall Hire	£18.75
400171	Mr J Reay Salary £417.12 (£200 paid by SO)/Mileage £22.50	£239.62
400172	Westcotec - Street Light Maintenance	£194.08
400173	E-On Football Club	£23.40
400174	Terry Hawkins - 3 months web site maintenance	£90.00
400175	TJ Murfet - Village Hall Drive and Car Park repairs	£1,656.00
400176	Mr M. Naim - litter picks	£17.60

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Total Cheques paid	£8,700.29
Balance in Community Account April 2018	£37,612.00
Balance in Savings Account	£0.00
(£2,000 ringfenced for play area maintenance and £996.50 for outdoor play projects)	

10.2 4th Quarter Revue of Actual Spend against Budget for January to March 2018
The actual spend for the 4th Quarter was £12651 against a budget of £7173, this was down to £5616 spent on grants and donations for this quarter.

11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS (Received after the previous meeting)

3PL/2018/0341 Land to the rear of 6 Cromwell Road Weeting

Proposed dwelling

No objections

3PL/2018/0262 Fengate Drove Weeting

Outline permission (with all matters reserved) for 26 dwellings with parking and gardens, access road, open space and drainage basin

The Parish Council have several concerns about the proposed development.

- There is no provision for social housing or affordable housing although there is significant need in the parish for social housing.
- The development backs on to a local business. The business owners have requested that permanent safety fencing be provided to the perimeter. The Parish Council supports this requirement.
- The junction onto the main road is already a problem due to the recent new development. This junction needs to be reconsidered by the Highways department to ensure safe access is developed.
- There will be a need for additional school places to be funded.
- The Parish Council wishes to see the Merton Rules implemented requiring that 10% of energy for the development should be provided by renewable energy sources.

3PL/2018/0232 46 Hereward Way Weeting IP27 0QL

Rear extension for a new kitchen and dining room, erect porch to front elevation Internal alterations to create an additional bedroom and en-suite to the existing layout

No objections

12. MEMBERS' MATTERS - items for next Agenda

Trees for the Armistice Memorial

With nothing more to discuss the meeting closed at 8.25pm

Chairman: _____ Date: _____