

WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at The Village Hall, Main Street, Weston on Wednesday 7th September 2022 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllr. G Francis (Chair), Cllr. P Laughton, Cllr. D Chase, Cllr. Harvey Saddington.

Also in attendance: Cllr. S Michael

Clerk: Andrea Wilson

220901 To receive Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies received from Cllr. B Laughton, Cllr. N Scott, Cllr. R Henderson, Cllr. C Laughton

No declarations of interest

Open Forum – ten minutes to receive questions and comments from members of the public

220902 To accept the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 6th July 2022

The minutes were accepted:

Proposed: Cllr. P Laughton

Seconded: Cllr. D Chase

220903 To note and report matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda

Community Grant- the Clerk confirmed that the claim for the repair of the clock cannot be made retrospectively.

Action: Cllr. S Michael to check this advice.

Councillors questioned the status of the village sign.

Action: Clerk to check with Morris Cast Signs when the repaired sign will be reinstated.

220904 To receive reports from County Council, District Council Representatives and Parish Councillors:

Cllr. S Michael confirmed the devolution deal for the East Midlands region which will guarantee a significant income stream over the next thirty years.

220905 To receive and consider any highways issues

No issues raised although Speeding on the Great North Road was discussed as an ongoing issue – see 200911

220906 To consider financial matters

a. To report receipts – none

b. To report payments and discuss any payments due –

No payments due. The bank balance will be presented at the October meeting following the bank transfers to Lloyds Bank.

220907 To update on the progress to change bank account

The new account with Lloyds is up and running and the old account with NatWest will be closed a.s.a.p

220908 To consider the Lengthman's scheme

The Clerk updated Councillors on her recent training and information session organised by NCC

Councillors voted unanimously to go ahead with the scheme

Action: Post to be advertised on the P.C. website

(£12 per hour approx. 80 hours per year.)

220909 To discuss payments to the church

Cllr. G Francis read a letter from Weston Parish Church, requesting a grant from the P.C. towards the cost of grass cutting.

The Clerk informed Councillors that payments to churches is not permitted following NALC guidance.

Action: Cllr. G Francis to reply to the Church

220910 To receive an update on village Broadband

Cllr. G Francis explained that there had been some confusion as a resident thought the village broadband scheme was still open however he confirmed that the scheme closed on the 18th July 2022.

Cllr. G Francis further confirmed that Project Gigabit is now open across Nottinghamshire and scheduled to start in 2024

Cllr. P Laughton thanked Cllr. G Francis for all the work that he had done on this scheme to date.

220911 To discuss the problem of speeding on the Great North

Cllr. G Francis reported that there have been 7 accidents in the past 12 months caused by speeding on the Great North Road however, Highways have noted this does not result in an issue to be monitored.

It was noted that the next Beat surgery will be held on the 11th September 2022 and this issue will be raised.

Cllr. G Francis further confirmed that the issue will be flagged up in the Weston Wanderer

220912 To consider planning matters and receive updates on ongoing applications

No new applications for consideration although Cllr. P Laughton asked if confirmation could be given on the status of the planning application for Low Croft, Main Street, Weston.

Cllr. S Michael to check the status of this application

220913 To consider issues raised by residents

Cllr. P Laughton informed Councillors that she had received a complaint about noise from the builders at Low Croft. Cllr. P Laughton had approached the site manager who was receptive to the complaint and adamant that they want to work in a way that causes no offence to residents. Councillors stressed the need for any complaints to be logged and forwarded to the environment department at Newark and Sherwood District Council.

The issue of diesel thefts from the A1 was discussed and Councillors noted that any incidents should be reported to the Police using the 101 facility.

220914 To consider correspondence circulated to Councillors since last meeting:

Councillors noted that the “Notts Alerts” were considered worthwhile.

It was noted that NALC are offering Finance for Councillors and Chairman training.

Open forum - ten minutes to receive questions and comments from the members of the public.

220915 To consider and discuss any non-agenda items and business for the meeting on Wed. 5th October.

No items

AOB

Cllr. P Laughton attended the Safer Neighbourhood meeting 28.7.2022 and reported that there are few crimes reported in this area. It is important to note that an emergency should be reported using 999 and any other incident should be reported using 101.

The meeting Closed at 8. 30 pm

Signed:

Dated: 5th October 2022

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