

**Minutes of the Weldon Parish Council Monthly Meeting held in the Priors  
Hall Community Centre, Priors Halls Park, Weldon on**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.00pm**

**(Note: April meeting)**

**Present:** - Councillors: Lawrance Gardner (Chair)  
Dick Priem (Vice Chair)  
Bridget Watts  
Anton Vickers  
David Groom  
Kane Taylor  
Joannie Perkins

Also in attendance: Clerk: Juliet Lewis

- 18.062**      **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Walker and Cllr Pearce sent apologies ahead of the meeting, accepted by all.
- 18.063**      **Members declarations of interest:** None.
- 18.064**      **Members request for dispensation:** None received.
- 18.065**      To approve the **Minutes of the Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018**. It was **resolved** to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting which took place on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018.
- 18.066**      To discuss **Matters arising** from these minutes only: Tree update, new tree warden has been out to inspect the trees. He had placed a temporary TPO on all the trees involved. He has requested a new, more specific, application be submitted to CBC. Lloyd (Weldon Tree and Landscapes) will submit the application on behalf of the Parish Council.  
Cllr Groom stated that he had checked and he should be able to receive minutes in printed form. Cllr Gardner apologised that he had been ill and unable to deliver them as promised.
- 18.067**      **Speeding Update:** Residents meeting took place and agreement reached on the preferred solution. We then met with the developers. They are new to the scheme as it has changed hands from one area of persimmon homes to another. They have stated that they need 4-5 weeks to understand their obligations, we will then feed in our intentions and it will take an additional 4-5 weeks for the new design then plans will be submitted followed by a public consultation. Cllr Watts asked who will quote for the work or will we go back to Highways? Cllr Vickers replied that we will get three quotes, highways, outsourced, developers. Getting 3 quotes is good practice. Cllr Groom asked if highways were aware of the timescales? Cllr Gardner replied that highways will not be involved until we go back to them, although he is aware that one of the residents talks to the design engineer involved.
- 18.068**      **Public Time** (15 mins): The following items were raised by the public:
- Weldon village and bypass footpath is almost unpassable, the Kettering Road by the recycling centre is particularly bad, the mud on the pavement is an inch deep. Cllr Groom volunteered to approach the Land Fill owners directly as they have been good in the past. Cllr Watts stated that it should be escalated, Cllr Vickers suggested that we should also speak to the Nursery along the road about the impact it has on them.

- Has any progress been made regarding a pedestrian link between Priors Hall Park and Weldon village. A A43 crossing, what is the view of the Parish Council? Cllr Groom stated that the Priors Hall Park developers have previously promised to install a bridge. Cllr Watts suggested that this was no longer a realistic possibility. She stated that £4m had been allocated to adrenaline alley roundabout, some of which may be used for a crossing. Weldon Park developers may also get involved. Public opinion is quite strong especially on Priors Hall Park, the parish is physically split. Were CBC planning department thinking of how the split would impact the parish as a whole when they gave the initial planning permission. Cllr Watts said that a bridge would take millions of pounds where as a zebra crossing is much more feasible. Cllr Vickers asked if we should write to our local MP and highlight the split in the community which is being caused.

**18.069 Neighbourhood warden update:** No update available.

**18.070 Borough / County councillor update:** Cllr Groom commented that the salt bin in East Crescent has been removed and it has not been replaced. Cllr Watts stated that it no longer meets the criteria. Cllr Vickers asked what the requirements are. Cllr Groom advised that the reference number he had raised to chase it was 929106 (21<sup>st</sup> March) and he spoke to Tracey.

Cllr Priem agreed to review the level of all the salt bins in the village after the cold snap while we were on the subject.

**18.071 Planning: (a)** To discuss the following planning applications: **18/00120/CON** | Land At Weldon Park Oundle Road Weldon Northamptonshire: **No objection.**

**18.072 Finance:** To approve monthly Receipts & Payments:

Payee	Reason	Value
J Lewis	Salary & Expenses (April)	£1,187.37
Weldon Tree	Verge Maintenance	£1,590.00
LGPS	Pension Payment	£335.39
		<b>£3,112.76</b>

**It was Resolved that** the payments be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent amendments.

**18.073 Neighbourhood Development Plan:** The group have met twice since the last Parish Council meeting. A template document has been selected and sections have been allocated to the team. We are using the strengths of each member of the team. Other help would be appreciated. Two members of the public also offered to assist. Cllr Priem suggested that if we were looking for historic photographs we should try and locate the box left behind by Ron Sismey. Cllr Priem thinks it is in the village hall, he will investigate further. Next update will be in the June meeting.

**18.074 Parish Councillor Vacancy:** Six candidates. Interviews to be arranged 23<sup>rd</sup> April 7:00 - 8:30p. Clerk to organise.

**18.075 HR Committee:** Unable to meet due to prior commitments of one of the councillors. Date of clerk review to be confirmed.

**18.076 Village Planters:** Project continuing well, full update next meeting. We are trying to support local events too. Public stated that there seems to be some clashing in events between Priors Hall Park and Weldon village. Clerk to include a PHP tab on the website including events.

**18.077 Community Garden: Planned activities:** Dig took place, less well attended than the 'kick off' but the required activities were completed. Going forward there will be a 'dig' on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month, planting will begin in earnest in April. Residents do not have to wait for 'Dig days' they can help out whenever they have some spare time. We may require a new shed at some point. Cllr Groom suggested asking Persimmon Homes for an old port-a-cabin. Cllr Vickers suggested an old shipping container may be more appropriate.

- 18.078 Woodlands Park – Outdoor Gym:** Cllr Vickers and Cllr Walker met with a designer to establish what could be achieved and to produce some plans which could be used to enable us to gain public opinion which is required for funding applications going forward. Essentially there are two types of gym equipment, broadly 'full body' equipment such as cross trainers and exercise bikes and body weight toning equipment and then calisthenics equipment. We will produce an initial design, go out in the village newsletter to gain opinion and then finalise the design before applying for funding. We have a good case for funding. Cllr Watts suggested that we should approach CBC for funding asap as the future is uncertain.
- 18.080 Litter Bins:** We have established 3 locations where additional bins are required. Cllr Watts reminded everyone that the new budget cycle starts in April so we may be able to get funding for them. Cllr Groom suggested that the footpath over the bridge towards the Church where the teens meet may benefit from a bin. There was a general consensus that it would be unlikely that they would use it.
- 18.081 Noticeboard:** One discussed in the previous meeting is on order. The current one will be used at the allotment by the Community Garden project. Whilst we have had an email from a resident suggesting a more cost effective option we would like to confirm that the one chosen is more in keeping with the surrounding than the suggestion made.
- 18.083 Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above**

**Meeting closed at 21:00**

**Next Meeting** – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 7pm

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 07/05/18

# **WELDON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the **Annual Parish Meeting** of Weldon Parish Council

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 7.00pm**

The chairman gave the following address: “The past year has once again seen Weldon Parish Council looking at ways to make this parish better for all its residents including grants for the new school on Priors Hall and Weldon village hall and other projects. I would like to thank all the councillors for their hard work on the speeding issues, Neighbourhood Development Plan, new gym equipment and flower beds and planters in the village. This year has seen a change in the members of the council, with the retirement of Jim Reed after many years of service to the parish and the new councillors who bring new ideas and enthusiasm for the future of the parish. In conclusion, it has been an honour and a privilege to work with this Council and the residents.”

No members of the public wished to address the council

Meeting closed at 19:03

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 04/06/18

Minutes of the **Annual Meeting** of Weldon Parish Council

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 7.30pm**

1. Election of Chair of the Parish Council for 2018/19: Cllr Gardener was re-elected as the Chairman of Weldon Parish Council.
2. Apologies for absence: Apologies were received from Cllr Walker and Cllr Groom.
3. Declaration of Acceptance of Office (Chair): Acceptance of office was duly signed by Cllr Gardener and witnessed by the clerk.
4. Election of Vice-Chair of the Parish Council for 2018/19: Cllr Priem was re-elected as Vice Chair of Weldon Parish Council.
5. Appointment of Working Groups for 2018/19:
  - Speeding: Cllrs Gardener, Taylor, Perkins, Pearce and Vickers
  - Allotments: Cllrs Taylor, Vickers and Walker
  - Woodland Park: Cllrs Walker, Gardener and Perkins
  - Finance: Cllrs Priem, Vickers and Gardener
  - Planning: Cllrs Watts, Priem, Walker and Pope.
  - NDP: Cllrs Taylor, Vickers and Priem
  - HR: Cllrs Walker, Taylor, Pearce and Groom.
  - Outdoor Gym: Cllrs Walker and Vickers
  - 11/11: Cllr Vickers and Priem
  - Village aesthetics: Cllrs Vickers, Pearce, Groom and Perkins

Council Reps as follows:

- Village Hall: Cllr Pearce
- Priors Hall Park: Cllr Gardner
- Tree Warden: Cllr Priem
- Newsletter: Cllr Vickers
- Communications: TBC

6. Standing orders and Financial regulations were re-adopted by the Parish Council.

Meeting closed at 19:37

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 04/06/18

# Minutes of the Weldon Parish Council Monthly Meeting held in the Village Hall Annex, Village Hall, Bridge Street, Weldon on

## Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 7.45pm

**Present:** - Councillors: Lawrance Gardner (Chair)  
 Dick Priem (Vice Chair)  
 Anton Vickers  
 Rod Pearce  
 Joannie Perkins

Also in attendance: Clerk: Juliet Lewis

- 18.084 Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Walker and Cllr Groom sent apologies ahead of the meeting, accepted by all.
- 18.085 Members declarations of interest:** None.
- 18.086 Members request for dispensation:** None received.
- 18.087 Parish Councillor Resignation:** Only a verbal resignation has been received, we await confirmation via a formal resignation.
- 18.088 Co-option of new Parish Councillors:** Will now take place at the June meeting as one interview is still to be held.
- 18.089** To approve the **Minutes of the Meeting 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018**. It was **resolved** to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting which took place on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018.
- 18.090** To discuss **Matters arising** from these minutes only: Cllr Vickers stated that they had met to discuss the plans for November 11<sup>th</sup>. He suggested that the planned funds for the summer fete which will not be taking place can be diverted to the 'pot'. All agreed to the transfer. Current estimate for spend is £4 – 4.5k. Full details will be provided in a grant application.
- 18.091 Speeding Update:** Awaiting a response from Persimmon Homes. Clerk to arrange meeting for 30<sup>th</sup> May, 10am at the Village Hall.
- 18.092 Borough / County councillor update:** None present.
- 18.093 Planning: (a)** To discuss the following planning applications: 18/00326/HPA | Single storey rear extension | 12 Harrier Close Weldon **No Objection**.
- 18.094 Finance:** To approve monthly Receipts & Payments:

1535	J Lewis	Salary & Expenses (April)	£1,015.47
1536	Weldon Tree	Verge Maintenance	£4,770.00
1537	LGPS	Pension Payment	£335.39
1538	Mrs S Liverman	Community Garden	£124.34
1539	Viking	Stationary & Locking cupboard	£407.68
1540	NCALC	Subscription	£1263.90
1541	Prior Hall NA	Grant Payment	£500
1542	British Legion	Grant Payment	£480
1543	Meadows & Co	Payroll Services	£144
1544	NCALC	Councillor Training	£36
1545	ICO Renewal	Subscription	£35

**£9,111.78**

**It was Resolved that** the payments be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent amendments.

**(b) Confirmation of accounts for year end:** Closing account balances are as follows:

Current account: £79,379.42

Business reserve: £49,909.62

**(c) Audit Statement:** Postponed to the next meeting..

**18.095 Neighbourhood Development Plan:** Next meeting Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**18.096 Woodlands Park – Outdoor Gym:** The scheme received was not what we were expecting and felt that it did not reflect what we feel the residents will use. Cllr Vickers has gone back with a couple of alternatives and we are waiting for the updated design. Next meeting 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 7pm. We will discuss the best way to poll the public.

**18.097 Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above:** A resident of Deene end has complained about the overgrown bramble on the verge. He has been advised by Corby Borough Council that it is the Parish Council's responsibility. Cllr Walker has been to visit and has advised that it needs some attention. He suggested that this would be an ideal job for a village caretaker. Cllr Priem will visit and involve Cllr Gardner and Cllr Vickers in the decision as to the best way forward. Village Caretaker will be added to the next agenda.

**Meeting closed at 20:22**

**Next Meeting – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018 7pm**

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 04/06/18

# Minutes of the Weldon Parish Council Monthly Meeting held in the Village Hall Annex, Village Hall, Bridge Street, Weldon on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.45pm

**Present:** - Councillors: Lawrance Gardner (Chair)  
Dick Priem (Vice Chair)  
Anton Vickers  
Rod Pearce  
Joannie Perkins  
David Groom  
John Walker  
Kane Taylor

Also in attendance: Clerk: Juliet Lewis

- 18.098** To receive **Apologies of Absence:** None
- 18.099** To receive **Members' Declarations of Interest:** None
- 18.100** To receive **Members' requests for Dispensations:** None
- 18.101** **Parish Councillor Resignation:** Cllr David Pope has resigned from the Parish Council with immediate effect.
- 18.102** **Co-option of new Parish Councillor:** Cllr Angela Page was co-opted on to the Parish Council.
- 18.103** To approve the **Minutes of the Meetings on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018.** It was **resolved** to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting which took place on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018.
- 18.104** To discuss **Matters arising** from these minutes only: None
- 18.105** **Speeding Update:** Update from NCC was promised for this meeting but will now be given at the next meeting.
- 18.106** **Public Time:** No public wished to speak at this meeting.
- 18.107** **Borough / County councillor update:** None.
- 18.108** **Planning: (a)** To discuss the following planning applications:  
18/00335/DPA – 14 Chapel Road Weldon – Remedial works to an existing outbuilding and alterations to previously approved extension: **No Objection.**
- 18.109** **Finance: (a)** To approve monthly Receipts & Payments:

J Lewis	Salary & Expenses (June)	£990.77
Weldon Tree & Landscapes Ltd	Verge Maintenance	£1,590.00
LGPS	Pension Payment	£335.39
Weldon Village Hall	Grant Payment	£999.00
Local Traders Uk	Woodland Gym printing	£808.20
The Notice Board Company	Notice Board purchase	£954.00
Came and Company	Insurance renewal	£656.18
Mr R Pearce	Planters	£134.96
Weldon Tree & Landscapes Ltd	Tree maintenance	£6,840.00

**It was Resolved that** the payments be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent amendments.

**(b)** Confirmation of accounts for year end: Balance of accounts for the year ending March 31<sup>st</sup> 2018 were:

40938459	£79,379.42
50650978	£49,909.62
	<b>£129,289.04</b>

**(c)** Audit Statement: Audit statements were read out to the full council and the responses recorded by the clerk and signed by the Chairman.

- 18.110** **Neighbourhood Development Plan:** Update at the next meeting.
- 18.111** **Woodlands Park – Outdoor Gym:** Questionnaires have been distributed for return before the



next meeting. These will be evaluated to establish the need for the project.

**18.112 Village Planters:** Cllr Pearce has requested help from other councillors as it is too much to do on his own. Cllr Vickers has previously stated he will help and Cllrs Perkins and Cllr Walker will also assist. They will arrange a meeting within the next 2 weeks.

**18.113 Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above:** None.

Meeting closed at 8:16pm

**Next meeting:** Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 7pm

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 02/07/18

## **Weldon Council Meeting**

Date 02/07/18

Present: Councillors Rod Pearce, David Groom, Angela Page, Dick Priem, John Walker, Joan Perkins, County Councillor Sandra Hatton

### **Apologies for Absence**

Bridget Watts, Kane Taylor, Anton Vickers, Larry Gardener (Chair), Juliet Lewis (Clerk) N.B. NCC Highways and the police were not present.

1. Accept Apologies – Apologies accepted
5. Approval Of Minutes. – There were no minutes available to approve

### **New Member**

The Councillors welcomed the new councillor Mrs Angel Page and co-opted her onto the Council. Dick Priem proposed and David Groom seconded. All agreed.

### **Public Time**

Graham Stacey commented that he would like to set up a Speed Watch Committee for Weldon/Priors Hall. Northamptonshire Police won't allow such training to take place. Mr Stacey would like to re-establish a speed box in the village.

Councillor Priem suggested we put this in the Newsletter and mention it to the Chair publicising what our intentions are.

### **Speeding Update**

CC. Sandra Hatton informed the PC that an email has been received from the NCC Highways in relation to the narrowing of Stamford Road. Plans should be received shortly. The Parish Council are to pay for a raised table with 'Give Way' signs. Persimmon will be doing what they have promised and work is in progress. Persimmon has promised to update us on their progress on implementing the calming measures.

### **Finance:**

J Lewis	Salary & Expenses (July)	£966.07
LGPS	Pension Payment	£335.39
Weldon Tree & Landscapes Ltd	Verge Maintenance	£1,590.00
Came and Company	Insurance renewal	£76.25
J Lewis	Salary & Expenses (August)	£966.07
LGPS	Pension Payment	£335.39
Mr R Pearce	Planters	£54.99
Mr J Nelson	Allotment repair	£414.00

### **Play Area**

The continued nuisance from teenagers congregating in the play area behind the village hall is causing much distress to the surrounding residents. The meeting with

the Police on 5<sup>th</sup> July was cancelled. CC Sandra Hatton sympathised with Mr. Roberts and promised to try and keep ahead of what can be done and she will instruct the Borough Council stating the anxiety this is causing.

### **Woodland Park**

Travellers cut open the gate and forced entry onto Woodland Park. The Travellers have now gone. The Council resolved to get the gate fixed and will look into making access more difficult.

### **Roundabout at Weldon Park**

Persimmon wants to put a central barrier up from the entrance to the mobile home site to the roundabout to prevent accidents.

### **A Crossing to get into Weldon**

Highways are not going to do anything.

Bridge over A43 (Weldon By-Pass) no funds to do anything at the moment but a Pelican Crossing could be a solution.

### **Rural Forum**

Chair Should Attend.

### **Planning Application**

4 Chapel Road – no paperwork available

Councillor Walker proposed it be forwarded to the agenda for the next meeting as there are no plans.

### **Neighbourhood Development Plan**

Councillor Vickers was absent from the meeting so there was no paperwork to consider. No feedback on survey.

### **Woodland Park - Outdoor gym**

Councillor Walker reported that there had been no progress. Councillor Pearce reported that the questionnaires had been handed in.

It was noted that Priors Hall had not received a survey as far as we are aware Councillor Priem suggested a working party be set up and meet within the next two months. He offered to deliver the questionnaires himself.

**Rose Avenue Park.** Concern was expressed about the security at the playground. The public meeting had been postponed. This matter will be put on the September agenda.

The meeting closed at 9 pm.

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 03/09/18

Chair Initials:

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**Weldon Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the meeting**  
**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018**

Present: Cllr Larry Gardner, Cllr Anton Vickers, Cllr John Walker, Cllr Bridget Watts, Cllr Rod Pearce, Cllr Kane Taylor, Cllr Joanie Parkins

To receive Apologies of Absence: Cllr David Groom, Cllr Angela Paige, Cllr Dick Preim

To receive Members Declarations of Interest: None

To receive Members requests for Dispensations: None

To approve the Minutes of the Meeting on 2nd July: The minutes of the meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 were accepted as a true and accurate record.

To discuss Matters arising from these minutes only: None

Public time: Sheila Hubbard spoke regarding the bridge towards the church. She has stated that it has become a no go area with littering, intimidation and damage to the bridge wall. Police have been called on 2 occasions in the last year. They took 2 hours to come out the first time and didn't show up the 2<sup>nd</sup> time. She can't use her garden or have friends around because of the foul language – they are teenagers / in their twenties. Cllr Gardner stated that the Parish Council can't do a great deal about antisocial behaviour, it is a matter for the police and they should be called every time there is an incident. Cllr Taylor stated that there were some children who have been spoken to, she stated that we need to engage with the youth and move them to a safer place. Cllr Taylor said he would look into it and the clerk passed an email of concern from another resident on the same subject. Cllr Watt stated that it is the parents that are responsible and it is not our responsibility to entertain them. A member of the public stated that there was a notice at Woodlands and asked why we can't have one on the bridge. It was suggested that it would be good to have a bin and have a notice stating that a fine will be issued for littering. Cllr Walker stated that he would have a look at the condition of the bridge and report back. Cllr Taylor encouraged the public to report all incidents to the police. Sheila stated that when no one turns up you lose interest. A number of councillors promised to walk around the area to review the situation.

Cllr Sandra Naden-Horley also promised to take it forward and asked Sheila to pass her the details.

Borough / County councillor update: Cllr Naden-Horley advised that there was nothing to update. Cllr Kevin Watt stated that CBC had a full council meeting to discuss the unitary authority proposals. He advised that this will not affect the need for Parish Councils. CBC has consulted widely on the subject and there had been a resounding no from the residents. CBC are against the joining of the unitary authority, £1/2 million has been set aside for merging of services although majority are already done by NCC. Grass, litter, bins, housing, planning and licensing are borough level services that may well transfer to unitary authority.

When the Kier contract comes to an end KBC will take on the services and TUPE their employees. He states that he believes this will happen in May 2020 when there will be elections for the unitary authority.

Speeding update: A meeting with Persimmon Homes is set for the 24<sup>th</sup> September to discuss details of speed reduction work. Full details and time frames should be available for the next meeting. Persimmons are paying for the detailed design.

Remembrance Day Update: Plans have put together include 3 6ft silhouettes of Tommy soldiers. A grant application for £5,000 was put forward for approval. The grant was approved by all. The merchant navy flag purchase was brought up. Clerk to order.

Salt bins on East Crescent: This grit bin needs replacing. It is on the list of NCC bins which are being maintained and therefore should be replaced. Corby Road / Kettering Road should also be replaced. Clerk to action.

Planning 18/00520/rem: No objection.

Allotments: Cllr Walker stated that things are going very well with only 2 plots vacant and one enquiry still outstanding. The Community Garden is up and running with 10 regular volunteers but it will be closing down for the winter. Plans are in place for next year but we need some help from a gardener to step in to lead and leave Susan to fundraise. Need to consider next project and document roles and responsibilities / governance framework. There will be a 'thank you' BBQ on the 13<sup>th</sup> October for allotment holders to thank them for their patience. Cllr Taylor stated that he will donate food left over from the community event. There is also a volunteers meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> September to gain feedback. Sandra stated that there is a gardener who lives in Dash Farm Close who may be interested and she also has a contact for the Green Patch in Kettering. Cllr Walker stated that there had also been some enquires about the position with Tata. The clerk confirmed that we will be issuing a cheque to Tata this month. Although we do not have a current lease agreement with them they have confirmed that they have no plans for the land. Cllr Walker stated that Shirley Carr had volunteered to be the allotment contact and we would arrange an allotment working party meeting shortly to discuss rent and T&C's for the next year once Cllr Walker has updated the list of plot holders for the clerk. Finally, Cllr Walker also confirmed that there had been some minor thefts of fruit and veg from the allotments.

Update on Play area meeting: Suzanne Preston has not been able to get the police liason officer to agree to a date for the meeting however we have not received any recent complaints and therefore we are happy to monitor the situation for the time being.

Correspondence received by the council not covered above: Cllr Pearce stated he would no longer be able to maintain the planters as he had been doing due to other commitments and the heavy lifting required especially with the watering of late as no direct water supply is available. Water had been coming from Cllr Perkins house and she has received a bill for an additional £150.37, it was agreed that the Parish Council would reimburse Cllr Perkins for her expenses. Cllr Pearce asked who will managed the planters next year? It was suggested that a Handyman may be the way forward. A landscaping company is the other option. Cllr Walker suggested that it would be best for us to keep it in house. Cllr Taylor stated that if we keep it in house we have extra responsibilities so self-employed may be better. Cllr Vickers stated that they would need a proper license for weed spraying if that was part of the responsibilities. Cllr Vickers promised to circulate a suggested 'list of works'

within the next 2 weeks. Cllr Pearce asked what will happen in the mean time? They need watering. Cllr Vickers volunteered to look after them. Cllr Watt stated that as Ground Maintenance will move to KBC it may be worth approaching them for a quote. Cllr Vickers stated that the job spec will be scalable so we will have options. All agreed that this subject will be on the next agenda and in the meantime Cllr Vickers will water the planters.

Meeting closed at 19:57

Next Meeting Monday 1st October 7pm

The following actions were generated during this meeting:

From public time:

Cllr Taylor to respond to resident's email passed to him by the clerk.

Clerk to request a public notice and new bin.

Cllr Walker to confirm condition of the bridge and report back to the Parish Council.

Cllrs Gardener, Walker, Taylor and Vickers to walk around the area to review the situation.

From Remembrance Day Update:

Clerk to order merchant navy flag.

Cllr Vickers to seek permission from the British Legion to fly it.

From Salt bins on East Crescent:

Clerk to request new bin.

From Allotments:

Put the word around that we need a 'Gardener' for next year to help planning the Community Garden. All.

Cllr Taylor to document roles and responsibilities / governance framework.

Cllr Taylor / Cllr Walker to organise 'thank you' BBQ on the 13<sup>th</sup> October.

Cllr Walker to update allotment holder spreadsheet and arrange allotment holders meeting.

Cllr Walker to monitor the theft situation.

From Correspondence received by the council not covered above:

Cllr Vickers to circulate a suggested 'list of works' within the next 2 weeks.

Cllr Vickers will water the planters.

Clerk to include Handyman vacancy on the next agenda.

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 01/10/18

**Minutes of the Weldon Parish Council Monthly Meeting held in  
Weldon Village Hall, Bridge Street, Weldon on  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018 at 7.00pm**

**Present:** - Councillors: Dick Priem (Vice Chair)  
Anton Vickers  
David Groom  
Kane Taylor  
Joannie Perkins  
Angela Page  
Rod Paerce  
**Also in attendance:** Clerk: Juliet Lewis

- 18.130**      **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Walker, Cllr Watt, Cllr Gardner and Cllr Watts sent apologies ahead of the meeting, accepted by all.
- 18.131**      **Members declarations of interest:** Cllr Taylor confirmed an interest in the grant applications relating to church activities.
- 18.132**      **Members request for dispensation:** None received.
- 18.133**      To approve the **Minutes of the Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018**. It was **resolved** to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting which took place on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018.
- 18.134**      To discuss **Matters arising** from these minutes only: The following updates were given regarding the actions taken at the last meeting:

From public time:

Cllr Taylor to respond to resident's email passed to him by the clerk.  
Clerk to request a public notice and new bin: This has been followed up with Suzanne Preston who is going to apply for funding for the new bin on our behalf. Signage can be put up by us as we own the property, Cllr Priem will order a sign – wording to be agreed. Clerk to contact Suzanne and ask for JAM support as has been offered and request help from the community payback team to clear the area. Cllr Taylor has suggested that CCTV may be appropriate. Cllr Taylor to obtain quotes for CCTV. Teen shelter should be investigated, to be added to the next agenda. Cllr Walker to confirm condition of the bridge and report back to the Parish Council. Cllrs Gardener, Walker, Taylor and Vickers to walk around the area to review the situation. The bridge is in need of immediate repair as it now represents a risk to the general public. Cllr Priem to instruct a local contractor to repair asap, rebuild to original specification with matching materials as the bridge is listed.

From Remembrance Day Update:

Clerk to order merchant navy flag. No longer applicable.  
Cllr Vickers to seek permission from the British Legion to fly it. No longer applicable.

From Salt bins on East Crescent:

Clerk to request new bin: Street Doctor reference 954817 – awaiting warden to review. Cllr Priem to review salt levels in existing bins.

From Allotments:

Put the word around that we need a 'Gardener' for next year to help planning the Community Garden. All. Done.  
Cllr Taylor to document roles and responsibilities / governance framework. Ongoing  
Cllr Taylor / Cllr Walker to organise 'thank you' BBQ on the 13th October. Done.



Cllr Walker to update allotment holder spreadsheet and arrange allotment holders meeting. Cllr Walker to monitor the theft situation. Cllr Walker to update at the next meeting.

From Correspondence received by the council not covered above:

Cllr Vickers to circulate a suggested 'list of works' within the next 2 weeks. See agenda item.

Cllr Vickers will water the planters. See agenda item.

Clerk to include Handyman vacancy on the next agenda. Done.

- 18.135      Speeding Update:** Cllr Pearce advised of a meeting with Persimmon Homes has been arranged for November 1<sup>st</sup> @ 3pm. Simon, a member of the public who has direct communication within Keir / highways, advised that 3 street calming measures have to be done which will alter the traffic flow in and out of Weldon.

- 18.136      Public Time (15 mins):** Another car has sustained damage in Church Street. Cllr Taylor said he hoped that this would be addressed in the major calming initiative, people walk up that road. Cllr Priem suggested that we should invite Sarah Barnwell of highways to the next meeting. Cllr Page asked about speed watch, this will be added to the next agenda.

Why are police matters not on the agenda anymore? The clerk advised that the police advised some time ago that they would no longer be attending meetings which was raised at the next meeting. Crime stats are available on police.uk but are not reported at the meeting as they are usually a couple of months out of date. Cllr Page / Cllr Taylor confirmed that the police are not available. Cllr Priem stated neighbourhood watch may be able to help.

Janet Fellows commented that the minutes and agenda had not been available until just before the meeting and had not been on the noticeboard. The clerk advised that we had issues accessing the website, confirmed by Cllr Taylor. Cllr Walker who had been putting notices up on the noticeboard has been ill. Cllr Vickers stated that communication is not good enough and we need to get better, we need a plan in place for when people are ill. Cllr Pearce will now put notices up at the village hall as he is there most often for his role at the village hall.

Cllr Vickers asked who was monitoring / checking the website? Cllr Taylor suggested that all councillors should review the website and report issues which we will rectify within 2 working days (Mon – Thurs). Please email the clerk and copy in Cllr Taylor. Comments from the public are also welcome and will be rectified in the same timescale. Cllr Taylor advised that the work on the website is ongoing. Cllr Page to review PHP page and send over updated information.

- 18.137      Borough / County councillor update:** Not present.

- 18.138      Police / Neighbourhood Warden update:** Not present. Clerk to contact Suzanne with regard to attending meetings / providing an update. Cllr Page will contact the PHP police representative.

Cllr Priem suggested that we put together a contacts list, this could also be made available on the website. All Councillors to email clerk with suggestions for inclusion on the list.

- 18.139      Planning: (a) To discuss the following planning applications:**  
**18/00611/DPA:** Erection of 3 No. log cabins for holiday lets: Laundimer House 1 Bears Lane Weldon: **No Objection**

**18/00599/REG3:** Change of use of amenity land to garden land: 33 East Crescent Weldon: **No Objection**

**18/00575/LBC & 18/00574/DPA:** Replace two x existing white painted timber windows with heritage cream RAL 9001 painted timber windows: 6 School Lane Weldon: **No Objection**

**18.140**

**Finance:** To approve monthly Receipts & Payments:

J Lewis	Salary & Expenses	£1,040.17
Local Traders UK	Newsletter	£141.60
NCC - Pension fund	Pension administration	£420.00
PKF Littlejohn LLP	External Audit	£480.00
Weldon Tree & Landscapes Ltd	Verge Maintenance	£3,180.00
R Pearce	Voice recorder	£21.99
Preplacement cheque 1565	n/a	£35.00
D Priem	Remembrance Day	£365.63
D Priem	Remembrance Day	£776.30
St Mary's Church	3 x grant payments	£2,450.00
		<b>£8,910.69</b>

**It was Resolved that** the payments be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent amendments.

Three grant applications were received from St Marys Church:

- £1000 for parish nurse volunteer scheme (training, insurance and registration)
- £950 for maintenance of the church yard
- £500 for cost associated with running the Hope Bereavement café

All Grants were approved. Cllr Taylor did not vote on these grant applications.

Cllr Pearce requested copies of invoices connected to the legal case for the village green land in 2011. He states that householders are now paying a maintenance fee to Mulberry Homes and are trying to prevent dog walkers from using the land. Clerk to compose a letter advising the new home owners that it is village green land and Cllr Pearce will speak to Chris Greenwood of Mulberry Homes and distribute the letter to all new home residents.

**(b)** The clerk confirmed the outcome of the external audit. An action plan was put in place to address points raised prior to the next meeting to be reviewed in March 2019.

**18.141 Neighbourhood Development Plan:** Meeting to take place on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

**18.142 Woodlands Park – Outdoor Gym:** Only received 12 replies to the survey although some Priors Hall Park residents have stated that they didn't receive one. Cllr Priem to investigate which areas of Priors Hall Park were affected. It was agreed that this project should be put on hold for the time being as we have many other projects on the go at the moment.

**18.143 Village Planters:** Cllr Priem suggested that there should be a rota of what needs to be done. Cllr Pearce was carrying out maintenance and planting but will no longer be doing this as, due to a miscommunication between the Parish Councillors, he feels he has been taken advantage of. Cllr Vickers stated that he felt Cllr Pearce has been treated appallingly. Cllr Groom suggested getting a local contractor to look after them until the end of the year. Cllr Vickers stated that after the last meeting a

plan had been put in place but issues regarding communication has meant that we have to pass up on getting it done for £20 a week. Cllr Taylor commented that we have to follow protocol and that we cannot agree between ourselves, outside of a meeting, to pay a councillor for what was a volunteer role. We have to be transparent and beyond reproach. Cllr Page stated that we must ensure that what we do is legal. Cllr Priem asked Cllr Pearce if he would reconsider and offer some help if we could get more volunteers. Cllr Pearce declined, help has been offered before and not materialised and that he was very unhappy with the Parish Council.

Cllr Priem stated that we need a new solution. The biggest problem is that we haven't got water. Cllr Priem and Cllr Perkins agreed to maintain the planters until November.

**18.144**      **Village Caretaker:** Job spec for handyman to be sent around, 2 weeks to comment, Advertise on the 15<sup>th</sup> October with 3 weeks to reply. Website, Facebook (inc PHP – Cllr Page), supermarket, noticeboard and newsletter.

**18.145**      **Remembrance Day:** Preparation is going well. Cllr Priem is building the tank but he will require some help. Cllr Taylor said he could arrange some help. Cllr Vickers advised that banners / promotional materials will be put up around the village. Clerk to add to website / Facebook.

**18.146**      **Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above:** Urban & Civic meeting October 18<sup>th</sup> 6:30. Cllrs Vickers, Taylor, Page and Priem will attend.

**Meeting closed at 21:12**

**Next Meeting** – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 7pm

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 05/ 11/18

**Minutes of the Weldon Parish Council Monthly Meeting held in  
Weldon Village Hall, Bridge Street, Weldon on  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 7.00pm**

**Present:** - Councillors: Lawerance Gardner (Chair)  
Dick Priem (Vice Chair)  
Anton Vickers  
Kane Taylor  
Joannie Perkins  
Angela Page  
Rod Paerce  
John Walker  
Bridget Watts

Also in attendance: Clerk: Juliet Lewis, Cllr Sandra Naden-Horley, Cllr Kevin Watt

**18.147 Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Vickers and Cllr Groom sent apologies ahead of the meeting, accepted by all.

**18.148 Members declarations of interest:** Cllr Walker confirmed an interest in the pocket park maintenance agenda item.

**18.149 Members request for dispensation:** None received.

**18.150** To approve the **Minutes of the Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018**. It was **resolved** to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting which took place on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018.

**18.151** To discuss **Matters arising** from these minutes only: The following updates were given regarding the actions taken at the last meeting:

The actions from the following meeting were discussed:

- CCTV for the bridge area estimates are approx. £200. It was resolved to purchase the CCTV equipment. Cllr Taylor to action.
- The following actions are ongoing:
  - Cllr Priem to check the salt levels in the grit bins and report to the clerk
  - Cllr Priem to order signage, words to be provided by the clerk
  - All Cllrs to provide suggestions / details of contacts for contact list
  - Clerk to find legal fees copy invoices
  - Cllr Page will take forward non delivery of surveys to PHP

All other actions were completed prior to the meeting.

**18.152 Speeding Update:** Cllr Pearce advised of a meeting with Persimmon Homes has been arranged for November 19<sup>th</sup> - delay with Persimmon Homes. Update at the next meeting.

It was reported that the speed sign on the Stamford Road is not working. Clerk to report. Cllr Gardner also requested that we investigate where the other signs have been located as we paid for 4 in the village.

**18.153 Public Time (15 mins):** Janet Player asked why the parish council had not attended the consultation meeting with Pegasus group about the Cowthick Plantation development. Cllr Page confirmed that she had attended after receiving the email notification from the clerk. Cllr Naden-Horley confirmed she had also attended. She confirmed that they should have done a leaflet drop to all homes in the parish. All in the room confirmed that they had not received a leaflet. Janet stated that we need to fight this and the Parish Council should be leading this. Cllr Walker stated that once a planning application has been received then we can comment. Cllr Watt

confirmed that this is the process, there is no means by which we can object. Cllr Naden-Horley stated that they estimate another 7-800 vehicles in the morning and evening. Cllr Page commented that the area just can't take that amount of extra traffic.

Janet stated that Pegasus group believe that we want this, the extra jobs that bring prosperity to the area. They are completely unaware of the issues we currently face. Cllr Page advised that she questioned the need for a new site when there are so many empty units in the area. Cllr Naden-Horley stated that they don't seem to be playing ball. They should have done a leaflet drop which they clearly haven't, are they hoping to push it through on the quiet? They haven't considered the ecology of the area, wildlife should be protected. If we're not careful we will end up with two parks in close proximity. Cllr Walker commented that they had decided there was not enough wildlife to protect when the composting plant was being considered.

Cllr Gardner suggested we write to them and make our objections known. Cllr Watts suggested that we also create a template letter of objection and deliver it to every home in the parish so all they need to do is sign it and send it in. This will be better timed when the planning application has been received. Clerk to write to Pegasus group, content to be assisted by Cllr Page.

Cllr Watt suggested that we do need jobs and the prosperity that accompanies them however we need proper plans in place to lessen the impact.

**18.154**

**Borough / County councillor update:** Cllr Watt advised that shared services with Kettering Borough Council will begin on the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019. There will be a slight increase in cost but for that we are getting an enhanced service. He also noted that had this gone out to private tender the costs would have increased significantly more.

The Golf Club is going out to tender, other options are being considered which were detailed in the Evening Telegraph recently. This is a wait and see situation.

Cllr Watts confirmed that the Secretary of State will embark on an 8 week consultation on the 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018 on the formation of a unitary authority. CBC will be asked to respond.

Cllr Naden-Horely advised that the commissioners and transformation lead at NCC were working hard to bring in a realistic budget.

**18.155**

**Police / Neighbourhood Warden update:** Neighbourhood Warden Cathie Layland sent the following report ahead of the meeting:

Parking issues around Weldon school - new parking poster has been put, School has been asked to use their text service to notify parents about inconsiderate parking around the area. Reports of fly tipping off Stamford road. Church walk - ASB - This was added to wardens hot spot log sheet to patrol daily during the summer. Report of a Rough sleeper off Stamford road – no-one was found

The Big Pic – pride in Corby' anti- litter campaign was delivered week of 25 September. A week –long activity programme included school education, clean-ups and business engagement. 12 community clean-ups were delivered across rural and urban areas. 113 bags of rubbish collected in total, in addition to 2 tonnes of general waste and 1 tonne of recyclable waste collected during the week by Corby Town Centre and Willow Place Management Company. CBC supported Weldon Pre-school

to run a small scale litter pick in the Village hall car park area during the week and educated young children on the importance of keeping streets clean the message of always putting rubbish in the bin.

**Hate Crime Awareness week** - hate crime awareness workshops have been delivered across the Borough in schools. Children from year 4, 5 and 6 took part in the workshops that were delivered by Community safety officers and Neighbourhood wardens. The key message was to promote and celebrate our differences. Please continue to keep us up dated with any information or issues that arise.

Cllr Walker stated that Cllr Groom would like to advise that a young person had found what they believe to be a cocaine packet. The police are dealing with it. Travellers have been spotted and are believed to have agreed to move on tomorrow. Cllr Page commented that thefts from building sites had been reported on Priors Hall Park. Urban and Civic are working hard to ensure this is kept under control.

**18.156**

**Planning: (a) To discuss the following planning applications:**

**18/00703/DPA** | Change of use from barbers (A1) to fish and chip shop (A3) | Barbers Shop Church Walk Weldon. Much discussion took place on this application. Residents who lived in the vicinity stated that they were concerned that, although the village would benefit from a chip shop, the barbers is not the right place for it. It is in the conservation area, it's built of wood, there is nowhere to park, there would be smell pollution, the drains cross near by gardens and they block frequently. Cllr Taylor proposed that the Parish Council object to the application. Cllr Priem seconded the proposal and all agreed. Clerk to action.

**18/00690/REM** | APPROVAL OF ACCESS, EXTERNAL APPEARANCE, LANDSCAPING, LAYOUT AND SCALE PURSUANT TO CONDITION 5 OF OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION 04/00240/OUT FOR 29 DWELLINGS - PARTIAL RE-PLAN OF 14/00317/REM FOR PRIORS HALL PARCEL R14A. | Priors Hall Development Site Stamford Road Weldon **No Objection**

**18/00687/REM** | Approval of reserved matters application of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for 361 dwellings of outline planning permission 16/00105/RVC | Land At Weldon Park Oundle Road Weldon **No Objection.**

**18.157**

**Finance:** To approve monthly Receipts & Payments:

**It was Resolved that** the payments be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent amendments.

A grant applications were received from the Cricket club for £500 to upgrade facilities. This was approved by all.

J Lewis	Salary & Expenses inc back pay	£1,400.26
Local Traders UK	R Day flyers	£126.60
D Priem	R Day expenses	£562.64
HMRC	Tax / NI responsibilities	£1,941.29
Weldon Tree & Landscapes Ltd	Verge Maintenance	£1,590.00
Pumpkin Print Ltd	R Day banners	£459.00
J Walker	Pocket Park Maintenance	£1,100.00
A Vickers	R Day expenses	£82.20
LGPS	Pension	£1,175.17
Tata Steel	Allotment rent	£81.50
		<b>£8,518.66</b>

It was agreed to apply for a unity bank account to allow for 2 step authorisation bank transfer payments.

- 18.158 Noticeboard:** Cllr Pearce and Cllr Priem attempted to put up the new noticeboard but it was decided that it was not a suitable replacement for the old one. It was resolved to refurbish the old one and use the new one at Weldon Park.
- 18.159 Allotments:** Allotments are now all let bar one. Allotment meeting and tenancy agreement update / payment of fees to take place in early December, preferably an hour before the December meeting. Clerk to update the spreadsheet and send letters.
- 18.160 Pocket park maintenance:** It was resolved that the contract be extended for a further 12 months during which time the new village caretaker will assist. At the end of the 12 months this will be reviewed with the aim of maintenance becoming part of the role of the caretaker going forward.
- 18.161 Village Caretaker:** Only one application was received. Interview to take place Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November with a view to an immediate start. Cllr Pearce, Cllr Walker, Cllr Taylor and Cllr Gardner to interview with the clerk present.
- 18.162 Remembrance Day:** All plans are in place for Saturday afternoon and evening followed by the usual commemoration on the 11<sup>th</sup> November. Cllr Gardner thanked all those involved in bringing this amazing community event together.
- 18.163 Councillor Vacancy:** Cllr Pope has stepped down as Parish Councillor. He requested that the following message was relayed: "I apologise to the Parish Council for not discharging my duties to the level they should have been. I feel as though I have let the role down over the last year and I hope that my replacement shows more enthusiasm for the role than I have over that period.

The Parish Council is a positive force for change and for shaping the Weldon of the future and I want to go on record to offer my thanks to you and my fellow councillors for their significant efforts in that regard.

Good luck and best wishes to the Parish Council going forward."

Clerk to advertise the role on the website and Facebook. Closing date Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018. Interviews to take place during the week commencing Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

- 18.164 Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above**

**Meeting closed at 21:12**

**Next Meeting** – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018 7pm

Chairman Signature:  
Dated: 03/12/18

**Minutes of the Weldon Parish Council Monthly Meeting held in  
Weldon Village Hall, Bridge Street, Weldon on  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018 at 7.00pm**

**Present:** - Councillors: Lawerance Gardner (Chair)  
Dick Priem (Vice Chair)  
Anton Vickers  
Kane Taylor  
Joannie Perkins  
Angela Page  
David Groom  
Bridget Watts

Also in attendance: Clerk: Juliet Lewis, Cllr Sandra Naden-Horley

- 18.165**      **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Walker and sent apologies ahead of the meeting, accepted by all.
- 18.166**      **Members declarations of interest:** None.
- 18.167**      **Members request for dispensation:** None received.
- 18.168**      **Co-option of new Parish Councillor:** Resignation has been received from Rod Pearce. 2 vacancies now exist on the Parish Council to be filled by co-option due to the proximity of the next elections (this is currently before parliament). It was proposed that both applicants who successfully interviewed be offered a place on the Parish Council. Clerk to notify both candidates who will be co-opted at the next meeting.
- 18.169**      To approve the **Minutes of the Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018**. It was **resolved** to accept the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting which took place on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018.
- 18.170**      To discuss **Matters arising** from these minutes only: The following updates were given regarding the actions taken at the last meeting:
- CCTV has been purchased and will be installed shortly. It was suggested that we purchase a mobile data unit to enable constant monitoring. It was **resolved** to purchase a mobile data unit – clerk to action. Additional camera units to be purchased along with signs to advise residents that they are in use. Clerk to order signs
  - Cllr Priem will take over responsibility for refurbishment of the noticeboard. He will arrange to collect and store the new one until it can be put up.
  - Bridge repair – will start shortly as weather allows. Cllr Page will obtain netting to be used in the meantime to ensure the safety of persons using the bridge. Cllr Priem and Cllr Page to liaise directly.
  - Salt needs to be ordered and sent to Urban and Civic – Cllr Page to supply contact details.
  - Another Grit Bin is required in East Crescent. It was **resolved** to purchase an additional Grit Bin.
  - The Clerk confirmed that there were only 2 Morelock signs ordered initially and that one has been damaged. It has suggested that this one is beyond economical repair. It was **resolved** to decommission the damaged sign and to investigate the current options on the market – clerk to investigate and circulate findings.
  - Village Caretaker has been appointed – details to be added to the website.
- All other actions were completed prior to the meeting.
- 18.171**      **Speeding Update:** A meeting was held with Persimmon homes at which the latest plans were discussed. At our meeting it was determined that further amendment



needed to be made. A meeting of the speed working group will take place within the next couple of weeks. Discussion to include the A43 crossing and any other speeding concerns within the village. Cllr Gardner will organise the meeting.

Cllr Page requested that we put details of the A43 petition on the website and our FB Page. Clerk to action.

**18.172**

**Public Time (15 mins):** The following matters were raised by the public:

- Drains have been blocked on High Street / Church Street since September, reported to Street Doctor Ref 957329 – nothing seems to be happening. Cllr Naden-Horley offered to follow up.
- Vandalism on the bridge – Willow Brook, High Street bridge – Graffiti which is lude in nature – Cllr Naden-Horely also offered to follow this up.
- Rumours are that the right turn into Weldon from the dual carriage way will be closed permanently. This means a ¾ mile additional travel to get into the village and increases the number of vehicles turning right at what is considered to be a dangerous roundabout. Simon Taylor mentioned that he has detailed plans of traffic calming measures which will be implemented in the future. He will forward to the clerk for distribution.
- Land at the back of the Woolpack contains fir trees which are overgrown. It was suggested that this may be Parish Council land and therefore we are responsible for tree maintenance. Clerk to establish who owns the land and the matter will be discussed further at the next meeting.

**18.173**

**Borough / County councillor update:** Cllr Naden-Horley advised that she had been attending meetings where discussions are starting to take place about what the unitary authority might look like. She suggested that Parish Councils should get involved at the start of this process. If you're not there you will not be heard. Cllr Naden-Horley suggests that we ensure that Parish Councils are represented even if that is through NCALC.

Cllr Naden-Horley commented further on the state of the roads in the area, the amount of traffic cannot be supported by the current road system. Cllr Watts commented that there is at least one accident a day at the Alcatel roundabout. Cllr Vickers stated that the plans in the offing will create a rat run through the village. Clerk will add to January agenda.

Cllr Watts advised that she had received notification that many libraries in the area have been 'saved' and would remain open. This includes Corby Library.

Cllr Groom commented that the landfill site appears to be really busy. Why are we not claiming a grant from them? How much has been put up by them and how much has been claimed?

**18.174**

**Police / Neighbourhood Warden update:** Not present – no update provided prior to the meeting.

**18.175**

**Planning: (a) To discuss the following planning applications:**

**18/00738/DPA** | Severance plot development to create a new 2 bedroom detached dwellinghouse including creation of new vehicular access to the existing dwellinghouse | 111 Corby Road Weldon Corby Northamptonshire NN17 3HU. **No Objection.**

**18.176**

**Finance:** To approve monthly Receipts & Payments:

J Lewis	Salary & Travel	£1,110.34
Local Government Pension Scheme	Pension	£3,163.31
D Priem	R Day expenses	£287.19
EE ltd	Mobile Data & Phone	£73.90
N P Cox	Village Caretaker	£48.00
Big Top Marquees	R Day Marquee hire	£600.00
Weldon village hall	R Day weekend hall hire	£180.00
R Pearce	Meeting room expenses	£40.00
David O'Gilvie Engineering	R Day expenses (Bench)	£1,018.80
K Taylor	CCTV purchase	£157.98
Weldon Cricket club	Grant Payment	£2,000.00

**It was Resolved that** the payments be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent amendments.

(b) Budget meeting: Set for 11<sup>th</sup> December 7pm, agenda to be issued.

**18.177**      **Grit Bins:** See above.

**18.178**      **Allotments:** Letters have been sent to allotment holders and a short meeting, which will include the opportunity to pay the rent for the next 12 months, will be held one hour prior to the monthly meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> January.

**18.179**      **NDP:** A meeting has taken place and sections of the draft NDP plan assigned to individual members of the NDP team. However, it is now being suggested that a consultant should be brought in to speed up the process. A consultant has been identified and will be asked to attend a meeting with us to discuss in more detail where a consultant would fit in and what help and support he can offer. Clerk to investigate funding. Clerk will also identify and contact 2 further consultants to provide additional quotes so that the most suitable consultant can be selected. Clerk to contact consultant and arrange meeting.

**18.180**      **Village Caretaker:** A village caretaker, Nigel Cox, has been appointed and has started working around the village. Contact with Nigel will be through the clerk. If you have an issue to report which you believe the Parish Council is responsible for. Please contact the clerk either by email or phone.

**18.181**      **Remembrance Day:** Fantastic turn out and a fitting tribute. Thank you to the village hall and to the British Legion. A big Thank You to Cllr Priem for the creation of the magnificent replica tank. A true talking point. The new bench has been ordered and will be placed shortly. Clerk to contact the new caretaker and ask him to assist Cllr Priem in transporting and positioning the bench.

**18.182**      **Date of the next meeting:** Confirmed as Monday January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**18.183**      **Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above:** Cllr Groom requested an up-to-date list of parish councillors once the new councillors have been appointed.

**Meeting closed at 20:40**

**Next Meeting** – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 7pm

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 07/01/19

Chair Initials:

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**Minutes of the Weldon Parish Council Monthly Meeting held in  
Weldon Village Hall, Bridge Street, Weldon on  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7.00pm**

**Present:** - Councillors: Lawerance Gardner (Chair)  
Dick Priem (Vice Chair)  
Anton Vickers  
Kane Taylor  
Joannie Perkins  
Angela Page  
David Groom  
Bridget Watts  
John Walker

**Also in attendance:** Clerk: Juliet Lewis, Cllr Sandra Naden-Horley

- 19.001** To receive **Apologies of Absence:** Cllr Kevin Watt sent apologies ahead of the meeting.
- 19.002** To receive **Members' Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 19.003** To receive **Members' requests for Dispensations:** None.
- 19.004** **Co-option of new Parish Councillors:** It was resolved to co-opt Simon Taylor and Mark Williams on to the council. They were welcomed by all and permitted to join the meeting.
- 19.005** To approve the **Minutes of the Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018.** It was resolved to accept the minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> December as a true and accurate record of the meetings that took place. It was requested that the clerk send the minutes to Cllr Groom by recorded delivery.
- 19.006** To discuss **Matters arising** from these minutes only. Cllr Groom asked if any progress had been made on how much WREN had paid out in grants and re-iterated that we should apply for funding. Clerk to enquire and add to the next agenda.  
Cllr Vickers asked Cllr Priem if there was any progress on the bridge. Cllr Priem advised he had not been able to contact the contractor who had agreed to take on the work. The netting discussed at the last meeting did not get delivered due to the holiday period / staff unavailability at Urban and Civic. The village caretaker, Nigel, will arrange for netting to be put up along with the 'do not climb' signs. He also offered to contact an alternative contractor to carry out the maintenance. Cllr Taylor suggested that Heras fencing could be used until permanent repair is complete.
- 19.007** **Public Time:** The village caretaker, Nigel, introduced himself and gave an overview of what he has been focussing on so far. He advised that he will attend to the graffiti in woodlands park, continue with litter picking and attend to the post opposite Londis. He will also assist in ensuring the Bridge is made safe.
- 19.008** **Speeding:**
- Persimmon Homes update. Cllr S Taylor advised that the plans had been completed and then amended at the request of the Parish Council. The plans have now been submitted and await approval. Price for the work has not yet been provided or agreed by WPC. Update at the next meeting.
  - One way road system: A map was handed out at the last meeting describing a proposed one way system through the village. It was requested that the clerk send out a soft copy of the map. It was noted that this has not yet been presented officially to WPC for comment. Cllr Groom advised that this would mean that people using his caravan storage facility would have to drive through the village towing their caravans. Cllr S Taylor has a copy and will forward to the clerk to distribute.
  - Speed signs: It was resolved to purchase 2 TVAS signs which display a speed and a happy / sad face and a 'Supplied by Weldon Parish Council'. The clerk had done some price comparison work prior to the meeting and it was decided to place the order with Morelock. Cllr S Taylor suggested contacting Gill Taylor at Morelock. He advised that there is a 3 week lead time.

19.009

**Borough / County councillor update:** Cllr Naden-Horley advised she would work with Cllr Taylor and Persimmon Homes to get the the speed restriction issue resolved. She confirmed that she had also paid Keir for the gates at the entry to the village but they have advised that they have 'lost the money'. She is chasing this.

Cllr Watts advised that maintenance services were being transferred over to the Kettering – Corby joint services. This will go live with Bin Collections on 2<sup>nd</sup> February.

Cllr Groom advised that Mulberry Homes had not returned the Village Green to the previous standard. Clerk to investigate.

19.010

**Police / Neighbourhood Warden update:** Cllr Page advised that she had met with Suzanne Preston and they were putting together a road safety campaign, in conjunction with Urban & Civic, with the children being encouraged to enter the competition which they are arranging. She suggested that this should also be done at Weldon School although funding would be required for the competition as U&C were only sponsoring the competition at PHP school. Cllr Vickers commented that they had run a competition some time ago sponsored by the PC where the children had to design a safety poster. Cllr K Taylor will be going into Weldon School and will discuss with the Head.

Cllr Gardner asked if the Speedwatch initiative was progressing. Cllr Page advised that the people involved had been told they could not receive training on unadopted roads. Cllr Gardner suggested that they train in the village. Cllr Page will pass on the message.

Dog fouling is again a problem, there are enough bins but people aren't using them. Cllr Groom asked why we haven't got a bin for the village green. We were advised that if we put a bin on private land it would not be emptied. Cllr Vickers will recirculate plans for additional bins.

Cllr Page advised that they had organised the walkabouts for PHP. Clerk to arrange Weldon dates with Suzanne.

The neighbourhood team supplied the following update: Several fly tips on Stamford road have been reported recently. Environmental services are looking into putting a Camera up on Stamford road to try to prevent fly tipping on that road at the end.

Suzanne Preston wrote: 'the Neighbourhood Management Team will be starting to prepare for the next Keep Britain Tidy anti-Litter campaign, the Great British Spring Clean, which will be running from 22 March - 23 April 2019. This year's theme will be focused on safely disposing single use plastic litter from our streets, parks, beaches etc. However we will also be undertaking general clean-ups, school education activity and public awareness raising around the anti-social impact of litter/dog fouling on our environment and communities.

A week long campaign of activity will be arranged. The dates are not confirmed as yet. If Weldon would like to participate by either having support to run a clean-up activity, or you have any other ideas to make Weldon cleaner and greener, please contact myself on [suzanne.preston@corby.gov.uk](mailto:suzanne.preston@corby.gov.uk)

19.011

**Planning: (a)** To discuss the following planning applications:

**18/00817/OUT:** The following objection, agreed at the meeting, has been submitted: Weldon Parish Council would like to strongly object to this planning application in an attempt to exposing our village and all surrounding villages to an intolerable level of traffic and the

significant impact on the environment this brings with it.

Reviewing the documents attached it is clear that the current proposed layout does not reflect the new road alignment currently under Construction (see attached). The right turn into Stamford Road from the A43 should be kept closed to encourage traffic to use the new link between the A43 and A427 (Weldon bypass) rather than rat running through the village. Note that Stamford Road by Weldon Park is due to become a one way system installed later year. To encourage HGV's to use the correct route (A43) we would expect a 7.5T weight limit the full length of the A6116 from the Eurohub R/bout to the A14.

Further to the inaccuracies in the application, the Council would like you to consider the following points:

1. Why is another logistic park being proposed when a new one is planned opposite, Midlands Logistic Park? The cumulative effect of the two parks will put mean that the roads will become gridlocked at peak times.
2. More lorries would be joining others on Corby's heavily used roads. These roads, referred to as 'part of the strategic road network' are poorly maintained and barely able to cope with current traffic volumes.
3. CBC has approved several residential housing applications, but no thought has been given to safe pedestrian crossing. How has the Health and Safety and wellbeing of the current and future residents been considered?
4. It has taken much time and effort to obtain calming measures in our village, with narrow roads not designed for modern lorries. How can safe village life be guaranteed and not be spoilt by noisy lorry traffic taking a short cut, ruining our roads and concerning safety concerns?
5. An area of green land has already been cleared for Midlands Logistic Park. Cowthick Plantation will be doing the same by demolishing an established woodland. How many area for our wildlife are going to be destroyed? After the loss of our local football pitch to yet more housing we need to protect as much of our local green space as possible.
6. There are several empty industrial buildings in Corby crying out for renovation, Corby Borough Council need to show true innovation and care for the future of the environment and residents of Corby?
7. Whilst we appreciate that this proposed development offers employment opportunities for the area we would like to point out that diversity in the type of employment being offered is what is required. The low skilled, low paid employment that this type of development offers is in abundance in the area.

In summary, Weldon Parish Council strongly objects to this planning application on the grounds that the area, and our village in particular, are unable to sustain this level of traffic volume increase. The area is being massively overdeveloped and there is no requirement for further development of this type. The negative effect on air quality, the road network and the increased risk to pedestrians and cyclists should not be overlooked. Finally, the plans upon which this application is based are out of date, demonstrating a total lack of local knowledge and no consideration of the cumulative effect of the proposed development.

**19.012**

**Finance:** To approve monthly Receipts & Payments:

Payee	Reason	Cost Centre	Amount
J Lewis	Salary & Travel	4200 / 4370	£1,280.84
Northamptonshire LGPS	Pension	4205	£376.21
N P Cox	Village Caretaker	4640	£446.57
Society Local Council Clerks	Training	4310	£350.00
EE ltd	Mobile Data & Phone	4370	£58.00
ICO	Renewal	4355	£40.00

**It was Resolved that** the payments be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent amendments.

**19.013**

**Grit Bins:** Cllr Watts advised that PHP were no longer going with the idea of grit wardens and therefore were not going to need grit. The bins in the village still need refilling and one replaced as discussed in the last meeting. Clerk / village caretaker to arrange. Clerk advise

that research had been done and a local supplier has been identified. Nigel will meet with him to convey our requirements with the aim of the job being completed before the next meeting.

- 19.014 Adoption of CCTV policy:** Cllr K Taylor advised that the system is up and running and a housing unit has been ordered. CCTV policy was reviewed and Cllr Williams suggested an amendment. Storage and Retention – the images should be kept for 31 days unless being used for investigation purposes. – All agreed to the adoption of the policy with this amendment.
- 19.015 Allotments:** All allotments have been let with the exception of one which needs serious work. Costs to bring it up to usable standard include use of a digger and labour. Cllr Walker proposed that the Parish Council fund work on this plot to make it usable. All agreed. Cllr Walker to organise. It had been noted that a couple of greenhouses had appeared on the allotments. We need to update the tenancy agreements to reflect the maximum size and the use of safety glass.
- 19.016 NDP:** Meeting had taken place with one consultant. Two others to be seen / quote. Decision will be made at the next meeting. Funding will not be applied for until consultant has been employed.
- 19.017 Dog Bins:** See 19.01.10
- 19.018 Pocket Park funding:** Cllr Walker is putting an application together. Closing date is 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019, clerk to assist.
- Cllr Groom asked if we had ascertained the amount of funding that had been given out by WREN and how we can obtain some of it. Clerk to report at the next meeting.
- 19.019 Methods for effective communication:** Cllr S Taylor suggested that we set up a Parish Council Whats App group. Not all council members have a phone which has WhatsApp available (ie not smart phones). It was however agreed to go ahead and create a group for informal discussion between meetings. No decision will be made via WhatsApp. Clerk to action.
- 19.020 Grass Cutting contract:** Cllr S Taylor offered to get someone to review the tender document prepared by the clerk and confirm it is fit for purpose. Once reviewed it will be amended as necessary and represented at the next meeting for approval. The clerk has confirmed that if we 'hand it back' we will only get 3 cuts per year. Cllr Watts will investigate it being done by the new Kettering – Corby joint operation. The caretaker may be able to carry out the work if the Parish Council purchase (and retain ownership of) the required equipment.
- 19.021 Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above:** The clerk reported the sad passing of David Linnell who had been our internal auditor for some years. It was agreed to give a donation to his chosen charity of £50.

**Meeting closed at 21:47**

**Next Meeting** – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 7pm

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 04/02/19

**Minutes of the Weldon Parish Council Monthly Meeting held in  
Weldon Village Hall, Bridge Street, Weldon on  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 7.00pm**

**Present:** - Councillors: Lawerance Gardner (Chair)  
Dick Priem (Vice Chair)  
Kane Taylor  
Angela Page  
David Groom  
Simon Taylor  
Mark Williams

Also in attendance: Clerk: Juliet Lewis, Cllr Sandra Naden-Horley, Cllr Kevin Watts

- 19.022** To receive **Apologies of Absence:** Cllr Anton Vickers, Cllr Joannie Perkins, Cllr Bridget Watts & Cllr John Walker sent apologies ahead of the meeting.
- 19.023** To receive **Members' Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 19.024** To receive **Members' requests for Dispensations:** None.
- 19.025** To approve the **Minutes of the Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019.** It was resolved to accept the minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> January as a true and accurate record of the meeting that took place.
- 19.026** To discuss **Matters arising** from these minutes only: Covered in the following agenda items.
- 19.027** **Public Time:** Dale Bradford, Woodlands Road, spoke about the issue they have with an area of grass verge that has been dug up and not replaced. It has been reported to CBC and NCC but they seem to just be going in circles. He feels aggrieved that the new built houses have perfectly restored verges. He has requested that the Parish Council assert some extra pressure to get the repairs done. It's not just unsightly but dangerous. Cllr Page will speak to her husband if he is able to provide any contact details / links of responsibility. Cllr Naden-Horley will take up with NCC.

Follow up from the December minutes – Drains in the kerbs are blocked, all the drains in the village are blocked with mud and need digging out as they are flooding when it rains. The roads were swept in December but this has not helped. Cllr Groom advised that Keir used to have a plan to clear the drains on a regular basis. Cllr Watt advised that street doctor was the best cause of action. Clerk to report.

Fly tipping has been reported in Woodlands Park, 3 incidents in the last few weeks. Do we need some fly tipping signs? Clerk to request from CBC.

Streetlight number 3 in Church Walk, the cable had been brought down, there is a box but the cable no longer reaches. Clerk to follow up.

Further complaints were made about anti-social behaviour in and around the Rose Avenue play area. Cllr Taylor advised that budget has been set to employ a youth worker to engage with the young people in the village and deal with the problem at its root. The public commented that it has been over a year, people were being forced to leave the homes they have lived in for a very long time. Cllr Watts suggested that it is cyclical as these groups of youths grow and move on. Cllr Naden-Horley advised that the police should be called. The public requested fencing so that the park can be closed at night. They also felt that the lights around the village hall should be turned off during the night as youths utilised them. It was however felt that these increased the security the lights provide for other users of the area outweighed the possible benefit of turning them off.

Cllr Watt pointed out that it was not the children the park was intended for that are the problem. Cllr Groom suggested putting up signs advising the them that the park closes at a particular time at night. It was felt that this would do little to tackle the problem as there would be no redress should they request be ignored. Cllr Watt will follow up with Suzanne Preston to see if they have any further thoughts.

The noticeboard repair / refurbishment, Janet asked for an update. The village caretaker will assist Cllr Priem to get this situation resolved. It is aimed to have the new one up for the next meeting.

19.028

**Speeding:**

- Persimmon Homes update: Persimmon homes have paid for the design of the traffic calming measures on Stamford Road therefore it was proposed that WPC fund the whole build and take complete control. We pick up Section 278. We now have a price for the works and now can just get them delivered. DJT Construction have quoted £25k for the works, compared to a previous quote of £43k from Keir. It was agreed that 3 like for like quotes need to be logged prior to the contract being awarded. Cllr Taylor will arrange the additional quotes. Should DJT be the most competitive then we can move forward with them.
- One Way System: Known going forward as Kettering Road Option 4. Persimmon homes met with Cllr Gardner and a local resident. Persimmon Homes want to make changes to this proposal, originally supported by the Parish Council in 2009. Highways suggest closing the Kettering Road between the landfill site and Woodlands Park. Cllr Watt stated that the traffic strategy for the whole of Weldon needs to be reviewed. Cllr Naden-Horley stated that the public will be consulted during the decision process. Cllr Groom stated that the landfill site was well used would they not need to come through the village. Cllr Gardner confirmed that it was the other way around, that it could not be accessed from the village. Cllr Taylor commented that the weight limit will also be extended throughout the village. This will be kept on the agenda for reference going forward.
- Speed signs: The 3<sup>rd</sup> design of the nameplate which was circulated between meetings was chosen to accompany the two additional TVAS units. Clerk to confirm with Morelock and arrange delivery and installation.

19.029

**Borough / County councillor update:** Cllr Watt confirmed that the Corby / Kettering shared services went live, the unions were happy with how it was handled. There is an open day re the Energy Recovery Centre, Shelton Road on the 7<sup>th</sup> February which he will be attending. The clerk confirmed that the invitation has been extended to the Parish Councillors. Cllr Page confirmed she was going to attend. Cllr Naden-Horley also commented that there was a further gasification plant proposed towards the Weetabix plant. She also advised that should residents be affected by odours / flies coming from the tip they should inform her. Cllr Naden-Horley commented that parishes needed to have their say. They will feed back at the next meeting. A 76 metre high chimney stack is taller than the plant we already have. Cowthick is also on the radar too, Cllr Page warned that people should be careful how they read the leaflet!

Cllr Watt wanted to remind people that there is already approval for a plant on Shelton Road. The public are being stirred up but Dr M Bates, Northampton University is a pains to stress that it is safe. In the future 10% of our power needs could come from waste energy. We need perspective. Cllr Page commented that there is a big issue with traffic through the village already so why do they want to make it bigger? There is also the potential to negatively affect house prices. Cllr Watt concluded that we should refer to the Minerals and Waste local plan 2017.

Unitary authority – nothing has been decided yet, NCC finances are now looking a lot healthier. Decision will now most likely be July now. We should come in on budget, can use £70m in Capital. Council tax will rise by 5%.



Cllr Groom asked if there was any progress on the funding for gateposts. Cllr Naden-Horley advised she was still chasing.

**19.030**

**Police / Neighbourhood Warden update:** The clerk confirmed that the walkabouts planned for the next year would be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2<sup>nd</sup> July and the 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 10am. Meet at the Village Hall. One of the neighbourhood wardens will be in attendance. Suzanne Preston gave apologies but unfortunately Mondays are currently difficult for her. "Regarding updates, just a reminder if Weldon wants to participate in the Great British Spring Clean week of 25 March with a community clean-up event, please let me know so I can book a time and date in. Information has been sent to Weldon Primary School and local pre-school groups, no response as yet.

Priors Hall activity – I met with Angela Page (PHPNA), Urban & Civic and the school yesterday to discuss the current situation regarding school parking/road safety. Parking has improved since the placement of traffic cones in the main problem areas. Planning is due to be submitted for the District/Retail Centre in the next 2 weeks, aiming to start works in 2-3 months for completion by Christmas. This will also provide valuable additional parking at key drop-off/pick-up times. Additional measures are to continue relationship building with CBA to support a park and stride initiative, continued road safety education and additional patrolling activity by both Policing and CBC Warden teams (Cathie, I need to raise this with you). Some of the parking difficulties are also being used by delivery vehicles visiting the Enterprise Centre.

Weldon Community Garden project –I am supporting as and when required. I haven't received any updates on the scheme recently from Susan, although I'm aware there will be limited activity during the Winter period. (The clerk commented that the project had been awarded a grant of £500. The Parish Council have agreed to hold this money for them).

Travelling community - I'm aware Weldon has had issues with traveller encampments over the past few weeks. CBC environmental protection and the Countywide Traveller Unit have been undertaking the necessary enforcement processes to move them on."

Cllr Groom commented that Anglian Water should put gates / locks on the entrance to their land in order to prevent travellers entering it.

**19.031**

**Planning: (a)** To discuss the following planning applications: No new applications received.  
**(b)** Energy Recovery Centre at Shelton Road: Cllr's Gardner, Page, Watt and Naden-Horley will represent the Parish Council at this meeting.

**19.032**

**Finance:** To approve monthly Receipts & Payments:

Payee	Reason	Amount
J Lewis	Salary & Travel	£1,060.94
LGPS	Pension	£376.21
Viking	Stationary	£87.68
N P Cox	Village Caretaker	£608.00
Anglian Water	Allotment Water	£51.36
Morelock	TVAS Signs	£6,840.00
Mowerman	Grit bin refills & New bin	£764.64
Viking	Archeive project	£527.93
Local Trader UK	Newsletter	£126.60
Meadows	Float	£1,000.00
Meadows	Automated salary	£3,042.48
Viking	CCTV Signage	£19.15
Lee Bell	Bridge Repair	£950.00
EE Ltd	Mobile Data / phone	£58.00
		<b>£15,512.99</b>

**It was Resolved that** the payments be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent amendments.

**(b)** To confirm the new arrangements for clerk salary payments: It was resolved to employ the services of Meadows Ltd who will pay the clerk salary, LGPS and HMRC via automated payments. It was resolved to pay the requested £1000 float and to pay 3 months in advance going forward. The clerk has been paid today for January pay in lieu and will be paid, by Meadows Ltd, for February on the last day of February and monthly on the last day of month going forward.

**(c)** Moving to automated payments: Funds are yet to be transferred to the new Unity Bank accounts. Once the funds appear we will trial automated payments at the next meeting.

**19.033 Grit Bins:** All grit bins have been refilled and a new one delivered and filled.

**19.034 WREN funding:** Clerk will apply for funding after agreement on what is required at the pocket park. To confirm at the next meeting. A member of the village hall committee advised that they had to register with the EN Trust to obtain the grant.

**19.035 Joint Working Street Cleansing walkabout 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019 10am:** It was agreed that Cllr Gardner, Cllr Page and Cllr Priem will meet Amanda as arranged on the 13<sup>th</sup>.

**19.036 Neighbourhood Development Plan:** The clerk to chase up two additional companies for confirmation that they are unable to quote / commit the resources at this time. Once received, assuming they are not interested, the contract will be awarded to YourLocale Ltd who have already quoted.

**19.037 Additional bin – Bakers Lane Alley:** The Parish Council, with the help of the caretaker and residents, have identified 4 locations where an additional bin / dog bin is required. Clerk has been in touch with CBC with regard to the process for adding new bins on to the collection list and is awaiting response. Once the response comes through the clerk will order and arrange installation of the 4 bins discussed. Locking, green metal bins have been selected.

**19.038 Pocket Park funding:** Funding request was not put forward as we did not meet the requirements.

**19.039 David Lock PHP meeting request:** The clerk will contact David Lock and offer them the opportunity to present to the parish council, and the public, at the start of the March meeting.

**19.040 Grass Cutting contract:** It was resolved not to tender for a contractor on this occasion. The Parish Council will purchase the necessary equipment to carry out verge maintenance and the caretaker hours will be increased to allow him to carry out the task. Clerk to source equipment.

**19.041 Ownership of the land behind the Woolpack:** It was resolved that no further action will be taken in regard to this land. However, clerk to initiate registration of the triangle of land in front / Kettering Road which it is believed was gifted to the Parish Council many years ago and which the Parish Council have been maintaining since.

**19.042 Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above:** None.

**Meeting closed at 20:45**

**Next Meeting – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019 7pm**

Chairman Signature:

Dated: 04/03/19

**Minutes of the Weldon Parish Council Monthly Meeting held in  
Weldon Village Hall, Bridge Street, Weldon on  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7.00pm**

**Present:** - Councillors: Lawerance Gardner (Chair)  
Dick Priem (Vice Chair)  
Kane Taylor  
Angela Page  
David Groom  
Anton Vickers  
Mark Williams  
Joannie Perkins  
Bridget Watts  
John Walker

Also in attendance: Clerk: Juliet Lewis, Cllr Kevin Watts

- 19.043** To receive **Apologies of Absence:** Cllr Simon Taylor and Cllr Sandra Naden-Horley sent apologies ahead of the meeting.
- 19.044** To receive **Members' Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Angela Page declared an interest in the PHPNA grant application.
- 19.045** To receive **Members' requests for Dispensations:** None.
- 19.046** To approve the **Minutes of the Meeting Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019.** It was resolved to accept the minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> February as a true and accurate record of the meeting that took place.
- 19.047** To discuss **Matters arising** from these minutes only: Covered in the following agenda items.
- 19.048** **Public Time:** Graham addressed the council and reminded the meeting of his request for help made some months ago. He stated that the time was not right last time which is why it was not followed up but they are ready to move forward now. He stated that as well as volunteers they also need funds for cameras and TVAS signs. Cllr Gardner asked if he had an estimation of the amount of funding he might require. Graham stated that they may be looking at approximately £15K. Cllr Gardner stated that the Parish Council are keen to support any speed reduction initiative and, when they have firms costs, they should approach the Parish Council via the grant system. Cllr Groom mentioned WREN funding. Cllr Watts mentioned that there were 'shared' TVAS systems which could be borrowed. Cllr Gardner stated that most villages have purchased their own. Clerk will make contact and provide information on the grant process, WREN funding and TVAS pricing.  
Blocked drains are still an issue. One resident is walking the village and recording the blocked drains. Will be forwarded to the clerk. Cllr Priem advised that when he went on the 'walkabout' with the shared services lady, Amanda, she had promised to follow up on the drains issue. They have definitely not been cleaned.  
Street lighting – there are a number of lights out. School Lane and Stamford Road for example. These are being reported by individuals but they are not being actioned. It was suggested that we may be better presenting them as one big 'complaint'. Please forward any lighting issues to the clerk with the relevant reporting reference number if they have already been reported.  
Issue with the lights causing chaos on the starbucks roundabout. If these major developments go ahead it is going to be worse. Cllr Taylor said we are doing our best to represent the village in all applications which may have an impact on the traffic around and through the village. Cllr White asked if anyone had ever put all these developments on one piece of paper and considered the impact!  
Pocket park – need to reinstate the pond.
- 19.049** **Speeding:**
- Persimmon Homes update & One Way System / Kettering Road Option 4: A meeting will take place on 12<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm with Persimmon Homes, Cllr Taylor and Cllr Gardner to discuss both issues. Cllr Taylor is currently obtaining

quotes for comparison before the contract for the Stamford Road speed calming project is awarded. Further update at the next meeting.

- Speed signs: Have been ordered and will be delivered shortly. Delivery has been arranged to Cllr Page's house. Cllr Vickers and Cllr Watts offered to take delivery should she not be available.

19.050

**Borough / County councillor update:** Cllr K Watt stated that CBC, who have new homes bonus revenue of £10-13m have decided to release £5m over the next 12 months including £300k for voluntary groups so groups should make use of this. Grants between £500 and £2,000 will be available. This also means that the CBC element of the council tax will not raise.

He has emailed regarding antisocial behaviour around the new playpark but has been told that nothing is being reported. Nothing can be done if it is not reported. Cllr B Watts stated that she had spoken to the lady that had been complaining about antisocial by the bridge who has confirmed it is much improved. Cllr Watt stated that the residents also needed to be educated about how they interacted with the youth as there have also been reports of aggressive behaviour towards young people by local residents.

Cllr Priem mentioned that the tank on the green is proving popular with the youth with no reports of problems. Cllr Vickers showed concern that the Parish Council could be considered responsible should there be an accident on it. Cllr Taylor stated that it should be dismantled. Cllr Priem to consult the British Legion as to how to dispose of it.

Cllr Taylor requested that we get the process for recruitment of a youth worker going asap. It was agreed that Cllr Taylor will come back to the next meeting with a proposal for approval.

Cllr Watts reminded the Parish Council that elections will now take place in May 2020. The new constitution is yet to be confirmed. The new shared service was up and running with no complaints so far.

19.051

**Police / Neighbourhood Warden update:** Not present.

19.052

**Planning: (a)** To discuss the following planning applications: No new applications received.

**(b)** Energy Recovery Centre at Shelton Road: Cllr Williams stated that they had suggested that there was likely to be a 1 % increase in trucks which equated to an extra 80-85 trucks a day. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> site to be proposed but if this goes ahead then the other two most likely will not go through to fruition. The houses in Corby will not benefit from the energy produced directly but the new houses may have the appropriate pipes laid. New businesses are most likely to benefit as the pipes will be easier to lay. They were not specific about their claim to create jobs. Skilled / unskilled etc. A question was asked about how emissions will be monitored. It was stated that there are no external emissions testing, all testing will be done in-house. With regard to safety they have advised that there is an auto shut off. Discussion around increase in disease had also been mentioned but studies have not found any links to increase in disease though there have not been any long term studies. Some questions have been raised regarding the particle filters, a full response awaited.

19.053

**Finance:** To approve monthly Receipts & Payments:

Payee	Reason	Amount
J Lewis	Travel & Home Use	£54.70
Viking	Stationary	£41.36
N P Cox	Village Caretaker	£584.13
HMRC	Tax Payment	£2,303.80
AM-MARC TRAILERS	Trailer Purchase	£1,130.00
Mowerman	Equipment Purchase	£6,607.00
PHPNA	Grant Payment	£500.00
Weldon Cong Church	Grant Payment	£850.00
Anglian Water	Allotment Water	£471.04
SLCC	Subscription	£175.00
ALCC	Subscription	£40.00
Anglian Water	Memorial Water	£12.10
Mr D Priem	Noticeboard repair	£149.08

EE Limited	Mobile Data & Phone	£58.00
		<b>£12,976.21</b>

**It was Resolved that** the payments be made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent amendments.

**(b)** Moving to automated payments: Funds are yet to be transferred to the new Unity Bank accounts. Once the funds appear we will trial automated payments at the next meeting.

**(c)** Grant Funding applications: A grant application was received from PHPNA and Weldon Congregational Church. Both were approved.

**(d)** Audit plan reviewed, all in order for this years audit on the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Update in the June meeting.

- 19.054 Village Website:** Jamie and Natasha from the new village website which went live last Friday attended the meeting and introduced themselves. It was decided that the best way forward was to foster a good working relationship going forward was to form a working group. Cllr Page will chair the group, the clerk, Cllr Vickers, Cllr Taylor and Cllr Priem will also like to be involved. The clerk will pass on Jamie's email address to enable them to be involved. Vince would also like to be involved to help out with a newsletter.
- 19.055 Corby Radio:** The Parish Council fully support the initiative. This will become part of the remit of the integration working group.
- 19.056 WREN funding:** Pocket Park funding bid working party will be formed. Cllr Walker, Cllr Priem, Cllr Gardner and the clerk to take the bid forward.
- 19.057 Integration into the Parish:** See 19.054
- 19.058 Neighbourhood Development Plan:** All proposals have been reviewed and evaluated. The contract has been awarded to Gary Kirk by unanimous vote.
- 19.059 Additional bins:** 4 Green, metal, locking bins have been ordered for delivery mid-April. They will be delivered to the caretaker.
- 19.060 Grass Cutting arrangements progress:** All equipment has been purchased and has been included on the Parish Council insurance policy. The caretaker will carry out the first cut on the 25<sup>th</sup> March, weather permitting.
- 19.061 Storage of council documents:** Documents to be moved on the 5<sup>th</sup> March as per previous discussions.
- 19.062 Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above:** Northamptonshire Village Awards 2019 – it was decided that Weldon would not enter this year as there are likely to be significant road disruption during the judging period and more time is needed to prepare. We look at entering next year.
- Village Hall have requested that we sign a new regular user agreement and that a member of the council is nominated to serve on the committee. Cllr Priem has offered to represent the Parish Council. All agreed although Cllr Vickers commented that the workload should be shared more evenly between councillors. This will be discussed further at the annual meeting when working groups and roles are reassigned.
- No fly tipping signs have been ordered and will be put up shortly.

**Meeting closed at 20:55**

**Next Meeting** – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 7pm

Chairman Signature:  
Dated: 01/04/19

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**Minutes of the Weldon Parish Council Monthly Meeting held in  
Weldon Village Hall, Bridge Street, Weldon on  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7.00pm**

**Present:** - Councillors: Lawerance Gardner (Chair)  
Dick Priem (Vice Chair)  
David Groom  
Bridget Watts  
John Walker

Also in attendance: Clerk: Juliet Lewis

- 19.063** To receive **Apologies of Absence:** Cllrs Kane Taylor, Angela Page, Anton Vickers, Mark Williams and Joannie Perkins sent apologies ahead of the meeting.
- 19.064** To receive **Members' Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 19.065** To receive **Members' requests for Dispensations:** None.
- 19.066** **Award of contract for Stamford Road works:** Discussion took place regarding the process regarding the award of the contract for Stamford Road highways work. The clerk advised that we need to be transparent and ensure the process is being followed. It was resolved to issue an expression of interest to tender immediately and review the next steps at the next ordinary meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> April.
- 19.067** **Correspondence received by the clerk not covered above:**

**Meeting closed at 19:30**

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