

# Approved Minutes from the Full Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13th June in the Annex of Weldon Village Hall

Councillors Present	Peter Dowsett (Chair) Janet Gibson, Dick Priem, Colin Shepard, Graham Stray, and Kane Taylor,
Also Present	1 Member of public and Sue Cook (Clerk)

Apologies had been received from Cllrs A Page, M Page and A Vickers which were accepted. Apologies had also been received from Rural Councillor McNichol and Rural Police Officer Brad Wilson
 Cllr Taylor declared an interest in item 22.096 g, letter from Weldon PCC and 22.098 f, Grant Applications.
 It was resolved to Co-opt Mr John Cooke on to the Parish Councillor to fill the vacancy left by Mark Williams. Cllr Cooke completed the Declaration of Acceptance to Office.

22.088 PC Brad Wilson had submitted the Crime Reports for May prior to this

meeting. A total of 33crimes and 1 Anti-Social Behaviour Incident had been reported for May, several of the crimes are linked. The Beat Bus has been on Priors Hall twice recently and in Weldon Village Hall Car Park. The LTI 20-20 <u>SPEED</u> <u>ENFORCEMENT</u> device has been away for calibration and no speed enforcements have been carried out. <u>School Visit</u>, Brad completed a talk with the reception class at Weldon Primary School on Thursday 19th May. <u>On</u> 31st May Brad visited the OSTRICH HOUSE CARE HOME and visited staff and the service user as part of routine engagement.

# **NEW FORCE PRIORITIES**

On Wednesday, May 11, Chief Constable Nick Adderley launched the new Matters of Priority for the Force, which will be the key areas of focus over the next three years. The priorities have been informed by feedback from our communities and focus on the four biggest crime challenges facing Northamptonshire today with the key objective of protecting the most vulnerable in our communities.

Violence against women and girls

Drug harm

Serious and organised crime

Serious violence

Cllr Stray confirmed that the Speed Watch will go ahead, he and the Police will making a tour of the Village for new sites, there are currently 3 sites approved on Priors Hall and 6 residents have volunteered however more are needed. The equipment will be delivered by the end of July and will be in the Parish for 2 months.

**Public Session** – one member of the public had emailed the clerk with reference to the Illusive Festival. The Clerk confirmed that the Illusive Festival is not going to be a 4-day event this year, the reason for the opening on the Thursday is to allow soft entrance so that festival visitors do not park/camp on the A43 or trespass into resident's gardens to camp overnight. The music and the sale of alcohol will cease at midnight on the Thursday but will remain as it has in the past for the other 3 days.

**22.090 Ward Councillor** not present.



22.091 The Minutes of Meeting of the Annual Parish Meeting, Annual Parish Council Meeting and full Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 2nd May were approved and signed by Cllr Dowsett.

**Parish Council Vacancies** – there have been 4 nominations for the vacancy left by Simon Taylor, it was agreed that interviews to be arranged for Monday 27th June.

**22.093 Weldon Wide Newsletter Update** – the next edition will be available in September, Cllr Dowsett suggested that each councillor submit a piece along with the Clerk.

**Training for All Councillors** – ongoing. The Clerk recommended that Cllr Cooke should enrol for "Off to a Flying Start". Tom Clay, from Breakthrough communications, has suggested the following courses, how to use Google Docs, Communication Strategy and Publishing an E-Newsletter.

22.095 Noise from Morrison RDC – to be reviewed at the December meeting.
 22.096 To Consider Any Incoming Correspondence as previously circulated

- a) Updates from NCALC
- b) Newsletter from Jason Smithers, Leader of NNC
- c) Weekly Schemes of Works the clerk to contact NNC not received a report for several weeks.
  - d) Weetabix Tree Planting Request
  - e) UK Shared Prosperity Fund
  - f) Superfast Broadband Newsletter
  - g) Letter from Weldon PCC

### 22.097 To note any concerns raised by residents via email to the Clerk

- **a)** The width of the Kettering Road footpath from the High Street to the Recycling Centre and Oundle Road footpath from Woodlands Avenue
- b) Trip Hazard on Church Walk due to tree roots lifting the footpath up.

#### **22.098** Finance

- a) The report from the Internal Auditor had been circulated to all councillors prior to this meeting and the Clerk is already taking the appropriate action.
- b) Section 1 of the Annual Governance & Accounts Return for the year 2021/22 it was resolved that Cllr Dowsett and the Clerk should sign the Annual Governance Statement.
- c) Section 2 of the Annual Governance & Accounts Return for the year 2021/22 
   It was resolved that the Council accepts the Accounting Statements 2021-22
   as presented by the Responsible Financial Officer and that Cllr Dowsett would sign the Accounting Statements on the Annual Governance & Accountability Return
- d) It was noted that the dates for the Exercise of Electors Rights to inspect the accounts would be from Monday 27th June to Friday 5th August 2022.
- e) Cllr Taylor gave the following report update on behalf of the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee should have not met on Wednesday 25th May; however, this meeting was cancelled as neither myself nor Sue were available. Since the last Full Council Meeting the Parish Council has paid £600 for the hire of the portaloo's, £655 for the live music for the cricket club for jubilee week-end and £1275.60 for the 4 security bollards which leaves £257992.58 across all 3 bank accounts. There is somewhere in the region of £13,312 of outstanding payments to be approved this evening which includes the grant for the Cricket Club's Petanque Court, you have all been sent the documentation for this, Sue has distributed copies of the new payments to you this evening. Once the payments have been approved this evening this will leave £244680.34 across all 3 bank accounts. So far, the cost of the Jubilee



week-end totals £5606, well under budget. We are still waiting for the Weldon Fete Group to submit an updated grant application along with their financial records and quotes. Sue has been reliably informed that there is a new committee and that the Fete will go ahead for the August Bank Holiday. Parish Council have also received a letter from Weldon PCC thanking the Parish Council for the contribution of £1000 towards the cost of cutting the churchyard however with the rising cost of petrol etc they may be applying for another grant. Sue has submitted a new VAT claim of £449 for the first time on line, and there will be a further £725 to be claimed at the end of month. There is a Finance meeting arrange for 20th July.

The following payments were approved in line with current legislation

Payee	Reason	Amount	Power
HMRC	PAYE	£212.75	LGA1972 s112
Sue Cook	May Salary, & Expenses including ICO	£1157.32	LGA1972 s112
Came & Co	Insurance	£1046.01	
Nigel Cox	50% Garage Rent	£288.00	OSA 1906 s9
Nigel Cox	April & May Grass Cutting	£2999.19	OSA 1906 s9
Nigel Cox	April & May Caretaker Duties	£978.54	OSA 1906 s9
Nick Sansom	Cutting Hills & Hollows & IBC	£246.00	OSA 1906 s9
Weldon Tree	Tree works on the Green for QPJ	£540.00	OSA 1906 s9
Angela Page	Toast for QPJ	£77.69	LGA 1976, s19
Peter Dowsett	Expenses for QPJ	£286.26	LGA 1976, s19
Mark McLaughlan	Piper for QPJ	£150.00	LGA 1976, s19
M Personnel	Traffic Control for QPJ	£2606.02	HA1980, s130
Weldon CC	Community Petanque Court	£1437.70	S137
Breakthrough	Facebook quarterly Charge	£132.00	LGA 1972, s142
Ettore Vellucci	Reimbursement for Free Ice Cream at QPJ	£123.00	LGA 1976, s19
Colin Shepard	Expenses for QPJ	£134.27	LGA 1976, 19
Ross Wallace	Weed Spraying Footpaths	£228.00	OSA 1906, s9
Dick Priem	Catering for Neighbourhood Plan Meeting	£82.39	LGA 1976, s19
Dick Priem	Expenses for QPJ	£89.71	LGA 1976, s19
Jan Gibson	Expenses for QPJ	£60.00	LGA 1976, s19
Fallen Eyes Band	Live Music for QPJ	£250.00	LGA 1976, s19
Graham Stray	20's Plenty Banners	£115.00	LGRA 1997, s26
Local Traders	Delivery of Weldon Wide	£279.00	LGA1972, s142
Tori Williams	Designing & Proof Reading Weldon Wide	£328.00	LGA1972, s142
Anglian Water	Usage at the Allotments	£104.44	SHAA1908, s23

- f) It was resolved to approve the grant from Weldon Cricket Club for a Community Petanque Court.
- g) It was resolved that Mr Sansom should continue to cut the Hills & Hollows for this season.

# 22.099 Planning Applications:

- a) NC/22/00117/DPA convert 3-bedroom bungalow into a 3-bedroom house at 58 Chapel Road on the same footprint concerns raised about blocking natural light from adjoining properties and that there is a possibility of further building on the garden of this property. **Withdrawn**
- b) NC/22/00023/DPA convert single dwelling into 2 dwellings at 6 Chapel Road concern was raised about no natural light into the second dwelling and vehicular access. **Refused**



# 22.100 Reports from

**Traffic Working Party meeting** – minutes and action log on website Kirstie Lloyd-Uzoegbu Youth Worker – Report circulated prior to this meeting

**Parish Maintenance Committee** –

**Neighbourhood Development Plan** – Date for the one on Priors Hall date to be agreed.

Village Hall Management Committee –

**Queens Platinum Jubilee Committee** – very successful, several events did not take place and it is hoped to hold these in October.

Weldon School -

22.101 Future agenda items/business for future meetings. The nature of future agenda items can be discussed at this point however no decision can be made until the next meeting.

a)

22.102 It was agreed that the Date of the next full meeting will be on Monday 4th July.

This being all the business the meeting was closed at 21:00

Signed	Date
	4th July 2022