



**Approved Minutes from the Full Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 5th September in
the Annex of Weldon Village Hall**

Councillors Present	John Cooke, Peter Dowsett, Jan Gibson, Angela Page (Chair), Dick Priem, Colin Shepard, Graham Stray, Kane Taylor and Anton Vickers
Also Present	5 Members of public, Rural Police Officer Brad Wilson, Ward Councillor Kevin Watt and Sue Cook (Clerk)

- 22.123 Apologies had been received from Cllrs Mike Page and was accepted**
- 22.124 Cllr Dowsett Declared an Interest in item 22.143 (Traffic) and Cllr Taylor Declared an Interest in item 22.141 Grant Applications**
- 22.125** Incident number 383 PC Wilson attended the meeting in uniform.
PC Brad Wilson had submitted the Crime Reports for July & August prior to this meeting. A total of 30 crimes have been committed within the Parish in July and a further 55 during August. Many are linked and several were drivers filling up with petrol but driving off without paying, The Beat Bus has visited various locations on Priors Hall including the Blue Light Event at Priors Hall Care Home. Cllr Page asked if there was a Public Order Offence document that could be made available for publication on the Parish Council Website.
- 22.126 Public Session** – the land registry problem at 8 Roman Close has been resolved, the resident asked if the Parish Council would consider reimbursing the legal costs and the cost for the tree pruning, which has not been done for two years. It was agreed that this would be discussed at the Finance Meeting with a view for approval at the October Full Council Meeting
 Billy Dalziel, the Heritage Development Worker at NNC, gave a presentation on the Priors Hall Roman Sites.. The Roman Road that has been discovered is of Nation Importance if not International Importance. He is hoping to form a project committee and gain funding to allow excavating to continue. Mr Dalziel will be attending the History Day on October 1st.
- 22.127 Ward Councillor Kevin Watt** reported that he has helped with Speed Watch within the Parish. He is not only part of the Greenway project, but also the Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan which he hopes will link in with the Greenway Project. The executive committee will be meeting in the near future to decide about the Green Waste fee.
- 22.128 The Minutes of Meeting of the full Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4th July were approved and signed by Cllr Page.**
- 22.129 North Northants Strategic Plan Scope and Issues Consultation Workshop** seem to want to pass additional costs onto Parish Councils. It was agreed to build some additional costs into next year's Precept. There is another meeting due to be held on September 27th
- 22.130 Weldon Wide Newsletter Update** – the next edition is now available and will be delivered in the next few days. The cost of printing has gone up by £75. Work is already starting on the next edition.
- 22.131 Training for All Councillors** –. all councillors were asked to attend a Strategic Workshop course to be held on a Saturday and run by Breakthrough Communications. Cllr Dowsett to confirm details with Breakthrough Communications. All councillors received and signed for A4 folder which includes Code of Conduct, Standing Orders, 7 Nolan Principles and A4 notepad.



- 22.132 Gandy Field Update** - Nothing further has happened as BAM have not been in contact about clearing the land.
- 22.133 Speed Watch** - Cllr Stray reported that during August there have been 12 sessions on 7 sites. 410 vehicles have been noted travelling at 35mph or more of those 368 were using Oundle Road going out of the village. Only 6 vehicles were noted as speeding in Priors Hall. A new site has been located and will be used. PC Wilson suggested involving the School Children.
- 22.134 Illusive Festival** - has been cancelled this year due to poor ticket sales. The Parish Council will be involved in any future meetings.
- 22.135 Weldon in Bloom** - to be discussed at the Maintenance Committee Meeting on Tuesday 6th September
- 22.136 Land Register at 8 Roman Close** - covered in item 22.126
- 22.137 Community Walkabout** - hopefully will start early next year dependant on staffing
- 22.138 Lost Footpath** - Cllr Dowsett informed the meeting that documents have been submitted to NNC however they will have to be re-submitted as the evidence on the originals would not get the footpath reinstated. Cllr Dowsett agreed to consult with a resident for more information.
- 22.139 To Consider Any Incoming Correspondence as previously circulated with no further action required.**
- a) Updates from NCALC
 - b) Newsletter from Jason Smithers, Leader of NNC
 - c) Newsletter from Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner
 - d) Consultation on Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs)
 - f) Weekly Schemes of Works
- 22.140 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 - work should be completed by September
 - b) Trip Hazard on Church Walk due to tree roots lifting the footpath up - reported on Fix my Street as a H&S issue
 - c) State of the Gandy Field from Corby Road - Has now been resolved
- 22.141 Finance**
- a) It was resolved to remain with the new External Auditors when appointed.
 - b) Cllr Taylor gave the following report update on behalf of the Finance Committee. All the documents relating to last year's accounts have been sent off to the External Auditors. There is currently £234261.86 across all 3 bank accounts, there have been a 3 VAT Refunds totalling £936.36, there has been £187.74 paid as interest from the Bank, £25 from a new allotment tenant and the £120 from the stalls at the Jubilee has been paid into the current account. Another VAT claim has just been made for £257.35. Outstanding payments to be approved this evening amount to £7234.73. Once the payments have been approved this evening this will leave £227017.13 across all 3 bank accounts. The reason for the payment to NNC for the Parish Council's Contribution to the upkeep of Weldon Woodland Park is that the previous Clerk failed to make the payments for the last 2 years of her tenure and we are now playing catch up with the payments. There is another £2000 outstanding for this. We have received one grant application, copies of which have been circulated to you all for decision this evening. The next Finance meeting is arranged for 21st September.



The following payments were approved in line with current legislation

Payee	Reason	Amount	Power
Sue Cook	Stationery	£76.09	LGA1072, s111
Peter Dowsett	SandBlasting Bench Ends	£80.00	OSA 1906 s9
Colin Shepard	Puddling Clay for Pocket Park Dam	£129.07	OSA 1906 s9
Colin Shepard	5000 Daffodil Bulbs	£430.69	OSA 1906 s9
Colin Shepard	Stationery	£16.99	LGA1072, s111
HMRC	PAYE	£102.87	LGA1972 s112
Sue Cook	August Salary, & Expenses	£1147.14	LGA1972 s112
Anglian Water	Water for Allotments	£217.61	SH&AA1908, s23
Weldon Tree	Work Carried out on Dash's Farm Close	£360.00	OSA 1906 s9
NNC	Upkeep of Weldon Woodland Park	£3000.00	OSA 1906, ss10
Breakthrough	Facebook Management	£240.00	LGA 1972, s142
DM Payroll	1st Half Year Payroll Services	£60.00	LGA1072, s111
Nigel Cox	Fuel for July Grass Cutting	£147.29	OSA 1906 s9
Nigel Cox	July Maintenance	£180.00	OSA 1906 s9
Nigel Cox	August Grass Cutting & Fuel	£607.57	OSA 1906 s9
Nigel Cox	August Maintenance	£295.53	OSA 1906 s9
Sue Cook	Renewal of Zoom for Working Parties	£143.88	LGA1972, s144
Village Hall	Room Hire	£39.90	LGA 1972, s101
E Sansom	Cutting Hills & Hollows	£240.00	OSA 1906 s9
GS Print	Printing Weldon Wide	£1524.00	LGA1972, s142
Torri Williams	Design Weldon Wide	£616.00	LGA1972, s142

- c) It was resolved to approve the grant from Priors Hall Community Centre for £1900 which is to fund the deep cleaning of their Sports Hall Floor.
- d) It was resolved to approve the quote for tree works to be carried out at the Allotments.
- f) The quotes for the bridge from the Leys into the Hills & Hollows will be approved at the October meeting so that the grant applications can be made.

22.142 Planning Applications: Cllr M Page has submitted letters objecting to the planning application for Warehousing at Rockingham Gateway and outlining the Parish Council concerns for the Consultation on Affordable Housing off Kettering Road. There is a meeting arranged with Tom Pursglove MP, NNC Highways, Aecom, Cllr Mike Page, Cllr Dowsett and Mr Simon Taylor on 30th September to discuss several Highways issues including the Pedestrian Crossing from Priors Hall Zone 1 to Weldon. .

22.143 Reports from
Traffic Working Party meeting –No meeting has been arranged until after 30th September.

Parish Maintenance Committee – meeting Tuesday 6th September

Neighbourhood Development Plan – Cllr Vickers reported that the final draft plan would have been presented to full Council however there is a problem with the Chapel Field which can not be considered for housing due the flooding problem.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Committee – several items are ongoing including the History Day on 1st October.

Weldon School – children only returned to school today



22.144 **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) To consider Code of Conduct for Allotment Holders, to be included within the Tenancy Agreement.
- b) To consider establishing a Working Party for the Allotments
- c) To consider funding 50/50 a new Kissing Gate at the Cricket Field
- d) To consider some form of Weldon Fest for 2023.

22.145 **It was agreed that the Date of the next full meeting will be on Monday 3rd October**

This being all the business the meeting was closed at 21:05

Signed	Date
	3rd October 2022