



**Approved Minutes from the Full Parish Council Meeting held on  
Monday 6th March in Weldon Village Hall Annex**

Councillors Present	Peter Dowsett, John Cooke, Jan Gibson, Dana Laslau, Angela Page (Chair), Mike Page, Colin Shepard, Graham Stray Kane Taylor, and Anton Vickers
Also Present	Kirstie Lloyd-Uzoegbyu (Youth Worker) 2 members of the Youth Club, 3 members of the public, PC Brad Wilson and Sue Cook (Clerk)

- 23.037 Apologies had been received from Cllr Priem Rural Councillor Kevin Watt and were accepted.**
- 23.038 Cllr Dowsett Declared an Interest in item 23.016 (Traffic), Cllr Taylor Declared an Interest in item 23.049 b (Grants)**
- 23.039** Kirstie gave the meeting an insight into her work and the 2 members of the **Youth Club** told the meeting how joining the Club has helped them gain confidence in the outside world. The Youth Club has regular visits from LM Academy, ISM Music and Northamptonshire Association of Youth Clubs providing different activities for the children including football, dodgeball, sumo wrestling, craft activities, music activities. Up to 25 children attend each week, sometimes more, they have recently had a trip to the theatre and there is a night walk coming up. Kirstie will be holding a Parenting Course in April and there is a Leadership course this weekend, she is always looking for volunteers to help. One of the mothers who accompanied Kirstie said that the Youth Club is having an impact on families taking part in other village activities that they would not otherwise have known about.
- 23.040 PC Brad Wilson** had provided the councillors with the crime report prior to the meeting. 32 crimes in total, several linked with 4 anti-social behaviour. The level of crime is staying stable across the parish. 3 officers will be on a 3 month attachment which will hopefully allow PC Wilson to return to his normal duties.
- 23.041 Public Session** – There were no comments from the members of the public.
- 23.042 Ward Councillor Kevin Watt** was unable to attend.
- 23.043 The Minutes of Meeting of the full Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th February were approved and signed by Cllr Page.**
- 23.044** The Communications Team will look at the 4 objectives within the **Communications and Engagement Strategy** and how to cover each element although the Parish Council is achieving a lot already. At the next Communications meeting the members will confirm adoption of the objectives.
- 23.045 Weldon Wide Newsletter Update** – It is hoped to finalise the next edition this week with the aim to be delivered by mid March.
- 23.046 King's Coronation** - The Big Lunch will take place on Sunday 7th May, guidance will be placed on the Parish Council's Website. The Village Hall has been booked but will be limited on how many can attend however lunches can be ordered and collected to eat either in the Cricket Field or on the Green. Fallen Eyes have been booked for a concert on the evening of 7th. Both the Cricket Club Bar and the Village Kitchen will be open and have been approached to make a donation to local charities.
- 80 years since D-Day celebrations** - Cllr Taylor suggested that the Parish Council should support the Weldon Branch of the British Legion.
- Weldon Fest** - this may be deferred until 2025 in order to allow the D-Day celebrations to go ahead.
- 23.047 To Consider Any Incoming Correspondence as previously circulated with no further action required.**
- a) Updates from NCALC



- 23.048
- b) Newsletter from Jason Smithers, Leader of NNC
  - c) North Northants Place Development Briefing and the Parish Council's involvement
  - d) Garden Waste Collection - sign up details
  - e) Newsletter from PFCC for February
  - f) Preparing for Localism Conference - 9th & 14th March
- 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 -Cllr Dowsett has had an onsite meeting with Ben Wright to resurface Oundle Road footpath as soon as the weather allows.. Work on the Kettering Road footpath will be later in the year.
  - b) Several Street Lights not working - being reported
  - c) Trees overhanging branches and a dead tree - residents taking this onboard.
  - d) Grave Spoil being deposited in the Pocket Park - letter written to St Mary's Parochial Church Council
- 23.049 **Finance**
- a) There is currently £185677.21 across all 3 bank accounts, this includes a VAT refund of £1055, and a further £75 from the Allotment Tenants. All the allotment holders have paid and all the allotments are occupied. We have finally received the refund of £1794 from Breakthrough Communications. Outstanding payments to be approved this evening amount to £11232.08 this includes the grant application to be agreed further down the agenda. Once the payments have been approved this evening we will end the year with £179965.13. The Clerk is working hard to get everything in place for the Internal Audit which does not just include auditing the accounts but all the council documents.

The following payments were approved in line with current legislation

Payee	Reason	Amount	Power
NCALC	Course	£36.00	LGA1972 s111
S Cook	February Salary, Expenses	£ 1,079.42	LGA1972, s112
HMRC	PAYE	£278.53	LGA1972 s112
Anglian Water	Water for War Memorial	£ 4.80	WM(LAP)A1923
Anglian Water	Water to Allotments	£ 178.48	SHAA1908, s23
Peter Dowsett	E Mids in Bloom Seminar Expenses	£ 67.15	LA(MA) 2003
Kirstie Lloyd-Uzoegbu	February Expenses	£ 89.91	LGA1976 s19
Weldon British Legion	Wreaths,Crosses & Poppies	£ 182.00	LGA1972, s111
The Peterborough Diocesan	Youth Worker Salary for February	£ 2,461.59	LGA 1976 s19
Colin Shepard	Seeds & Compost	£ 52.60	OSA 1906 s9
NPC	February Maintenance	£926.60	OSA 1906 s9
Weldon Village Hall	Room Hire	£ 30.00	LGA 1972, s101
PHPCC	Room Hire for Rock Solid	£ 75.00	LGA 1972, s101
St Mary's Church	Grant for Flowers for Coronation	£250	S137



- b) There was 1 grant application to consider. St Mary's Church have applied for £250 to help with the cost of the floral decorations for the Coronation, this was approved for payment.
- c) Kissing Gate for the Cricket Field, no progress
- d) It was resolved that Mr Cox should purchase Branch Loppers at a cost of £540.
- e) It was resolved that the Parish Council should purchase a Dog Bin for Larratt Road and large Litter Bin for the old Stamford Road as NNC are currently not supplying.
- f) It was proposed that the Youth Worker should have a separate budget to be discussed at the next Finance Meeting (22nd March)
- g) The Finance Committee recommended that the Parish Council purchase the information board for the Leys & Hills and Hollows at a cost of £1230 plus VAT and delivery. This was approved
- h) The Finance Committee recommended that the Parish Council purchase 2 Notice Boards at a cost of £3210 plus VAT and delivery. Delivery will be reduced to £130 if ordered at the same time as the Information Board. This was approved
- i) It was resolved that Mr Sansom should cut the grass in the Hills & Hollows again this year for £120 per cut.

**23.050 Planning Applications:** Cllr M Page reported that on behalf of the Parish Council he attended the Strategic Planning Committee Meeting on February 20th with reference to the planning application at Rockingham Gate. The application was deferred due to the height of the warehouse There is no update on the application for the 22 discounted houses on Kettering Road or the 36 properties to the rear of 112 Corby Road. Cllr Page has also attended the Town and Parish Briefing dealing with the NNC Planning Reform,

**23.051 Reports from**  
 Traffic Working Party -**next meeting March 27th** however Cllr Dowsett informed the meeting that AECOM have drawn up 4 designs for the crossing on the A43, a proposal for a temporary crossing on the A43 have been put forward costing approximately £200 per week however there needs to proof of the need before proceeding. Persimmon are being asked to get Airfield Way into Maintenance however NNC keep changing details. Persimmon have engaged a company BSP Consulting to draw up plans for traffic calming in Weldon Village.  
 Kirstie Lloyd-Uzoegbu Youth Worker – update on website  
 Parish Maintenance Committee – minutes posted on website  
**Neighbourhood Development Plan** - It was agreed to delay submitting to NNC for consultation until the Traffic Management is available to be included.

**23.052 Future agenda items/business.**

**23.053 The next full meeting will be on Monday 3rd April**

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

<b>Signed</b>	<b>Date</b> 3rd April 2023
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