



**Approved Minutes from the Full Parish Council Meeting
held on Monday 4th December in Weldon Village Hall Annex**

Councillors Present	John Cooke, Dana Laslau, Angela Page (Chair), Mike Page, Colin Shepard, Kane Taylor, Graham Stray and Anton Vickers
Also Present	1 member of the public and Sue Cook (Clerk)

- 23.205** **Apologies** had been received from Cllr Gibson, and Cllr Dowsett both were accepted.
- 23.206** **No Declarations of Interest were registered**
- 23.207** No **Crime Report** had been received
- 23.208** **With no Members of the Public** present the meeting continued with the Agenda.
- 23.209** It was resolved to co-opt Jane Clowery onto the Parish Council to fill the **Vacancy**. The Chair welcomed Jane Clowery to the Council. Cllr Clowery signed the Acceptance to Office form.
- 23.210** **The minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting**, held on Monday 6th November were approved and signed by Cllr A Page.
- 23.211** **Communications and Engagement Strategy**. - It is hoped to arrange a meeting early in the New Year.
- 23.212** **Weldon Wide Newsletter Update** - the latest edition is being delivered. Items are needed for the next edition.
- 23.213** **Community Pay Back Team** - The benches at the Cricket Club have been painted, the railings on the village green were due to be painted but the weather was not kind to them so instead they have started to tidy up the vegetation on the green which needs to be removed once everything is in place for the Waste Carrying Licence. The Cricket Club have asked if they would erect the new fencing around the perimeter of the Cricket Field.
- 23.214** **Meeting Rooms** - With Urban & Civic Hub Room being handed over as a retail unit the Parish Council can no longer use it as a meeting room. Cllr M Page explained that several solutions are being sourced including a small unit being available for storage/maintenance of the Grass Cutting equipment at a cost of £3000 per annum. The Clerk was instructed to find out some more details about repairs to the doors, utility costs etc. There are some options possibly coming available with a visit to Greenpatch in Kettering with Gwyn Stubbing of GLP and Kiristie Lloyd-Uzoegbu. Work is due to start on Weldon Lodge in the New Year when complete hopefully there will be office space for the Clerk.
- 23.215** The **next Walkabout** will be on Saturday 27th January meeting at 10:00 in the Sainsbury Car Park.
- 23.216** **Flood Report & how to recruit Flood Wardens** - it was agreed to arrange a meeting with Full Council Members and Ziggy Westphal on Monday 15th January as to how to move this forward.
- 23.217** **DDay Celebrations** - Weldon Parish Council will work both the British Legion and the Cricket Club to make this a successful fun day .



- 23.218 Neighbourhood Development Plan** - Cllr Vikers proposed that £10,000 be made available to complete this, Cllr Taylor seconded the proposal with everyone agreeing.
- 23.219 Training** - All Councillors were reminded to keep up to date with the courses being provided by NCALC.
- 23.220 To Consider the following Incoming Correspondence as previously circulated with no further action**
- a) Updates from NCALC
 - b) Newsletter from Jason Smithers, Leader of NNC
 - c) Weekly Planning Applications and Decisions along with any Mineral Waste Applications
 - d) NACL Newsletter
 - e) Neighbourhood Alerts from Northamptonshire Police
 - f) Weekly Road Works Programmes and Gully Cleaning
 - g) Kettering Road Closure
- 23.221 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
 - b) Litter Bin outside 52 Corby Road - Reported on Fix my Street
 - c) State of the Jitty Bridge from Corby Road to Weldon School - Reported on Fix my Street - this has now been repaired.
- 23.222 Finance**
- a) Cllr Taylor gave the following Finance Committee Report: As of Thursday 30th November there was £200566.17 across the 2 bank accounts, which includes another VAT refund of £225.36, the Grass Cutting Grant of £1978.67 and £280 in Allotment Tenancy Renewals. With the Allotment Tenancy Renewals being uploaded to the Bank on a daily basis the deposit account is continually increasing. The Clerk has also made another VAT refund claim for £490.74 which will bring the total of VAT refunds for this financial year so far to £7204.29 compared to £7383 for the whole of the last financial year

The following payments were approved in line with current legislation

Payee	Reason	Amount	Power
Anton Vickers	Broadband Top Up for Wi-Fi Trial	£10.00	OSA 1906 s9
Sue Cook	November Salary + Expenses.	£1114.06	LGA1972, s112
HMRC	PAYE	£297.15	LGA1972 s112
Anglian Water	Water for War Memorial	£31.75	SHAA1908, s23
Anglian Water	Water for Allotments	£122.59	SHAA1908, s23
D G Normans	Repairs & Servicing Mowers	£446.93	OSA 1906 s9
Colin Shepard	Tulips & Paint for Railings	£133.93	OSA 1906 s9
Peter Dowsett	Expenses	£49.94	OSA 1906 s9



Weldon BL	Wreaths & Crosses	£146.00	LGA1972, s111
Tori Williams	Designing WW	£754.00	LGA 1972, s142
Peterborough BoF	Youth Worker Salary for November	£2,461.59	LGA 1976 s19
Sue Cook	3 Year Waste Carry Disposal Licence	£333.54	LGA 1976 s19
Weldon Tree	Tree Works in the Leys & Allotments	£1380.00	OSA 1906 s9
LT Print	Weldon Logo Stickers	£84.00	OSA 1906 s9
Angela Page	Christmas Tree & Decorations	£ 142.90	OSA 1906 s9
Janet Gibson	Stamps for Allotment Tenancies	£15.00	S&AA 1908, s23
GS Print	Printing WW	£1792.00	LGA 1972, s142
NPC	Grass Cutting for October	£1,578.08	OSA 1906 s9
NPC	Maintenance for October	£ 1,027.25	OSA 1906 s9
Priors Hall School	S137 Grant	£4800.00	S137
PHPCC	Room Hire for Rock Steady	£85.00	LGA 1972, s101

- b) There was one grant application to consider from Priors Hall School £4800 to build a quiet area within the playground where children can go to be peaceful at all times during the day. This was approved and is included in the above payments.
- c) The Finance Committee recommends that the precept for 2024/25 is increased to £150,000, the first increase for 3 years. Cllr A Page proposed the increase with Cllr M Page seconding the proposal, with all Councillors present agreeing. Several projects have funds ring fenced including the A43 Crossing and fencing for the Hills & Hollows.

23.223 Planning Applications:

A43 Crossing - Tom Pursglove MP has presented the survey results to Gerge Chandler (Interim Chief Executive at NNC) which states that "There is a strong need for a safe pedestrian crossing".

Cllr A Page reported that Chris Bond, Development Liaison Officer at NNC has agreed to the crossing in principle. ACEOM will be carrying out a Safety Audit. It is also hoped that monies for Tresham Village could be made available.

Update on Magna Park - covered in item 23.214

Update on Rockingham Gate - covered in item 23.214

23.224 All the following Reports are available on the website

Traffic Working Party, Parish Maintenance Committee, Weldon In Bloom and the School Report

23.225 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 Temporary Road Closure for Oundle Road by the War Memorial for Remembrance Service 2024
- b) To have some sort of electricity installed on the Village Green



**23.226 Date of the next meeting will be Monday 8th January starting at 19:00
in the Annex at Weldon Village Hall**

This being all the business the meeting was closed at 20:00

Signed	Date 8th January 2024
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