



**Minutes from the Full Parish Council Meeting  
held on Monday 3rd February 2025 in Weldon Village Hall Annex  
starting at 19:00**

Councillors Present	Jane Clowery, John Cooke, Peter Dowsett, Jan Gibson, Angela Page (Chair), Mike Page, Colin Shepard
Also Present	Claire Ducker (Clerk) 2 representative from PHPNA and PC Callum Crabb

- 25.029 Apologies** PCSO Alison Wallace (on duty), Cllrs Graham Stray and Anton Vickers (personal reasons), Cllr Kane Taylor (work commitments) and Rural Councillor Kevin Watt (other Council duties) all apologies were accepted.
- 25.030 Interest of Declarations** Cllr Gibson on any discussions regarding the allotments
- 25.031 Crime Report** - PCSO Wallace apologised for not attending this meeting, but will hopefully be in attendance for the March meeting.  
No report was received, PC Crabb did not have anything to report.
- 25.032 Public Session** - no public in attendance
- 25.033 Rural Councillor Kevin Watt did not attend the meeting and did not send in a report**  
Cllr Dowsett reported that he is in communications with Rural Cllr Watt regarding traffic issues.
- 25.034 PHPNA Representatives** - a meeting with a representative from NNC Legal department has been held and is reviewing how quickly PHP can have their own Parish Council. It was asked what the feedback from residents for separating PHP from Weldon Parish Council, J Turner replied "reasonably positive feedback". Cllr A Page asked where open meeting minutes are published, J Turner reported they are available on the Priors Hall Park Neighbourhood Association Facebook page
- 25.035 The minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting**, held on Monday 13th January 2025, accepted by all, approved by Cllrs Shepard and Clowery signed by Cllr A Page.  
Once amended the minutes were approved by Cllrs Shepard & Gibson and signed by Cllr A Page.
- 25.036 Finance**
- In the absence of Cllr Taylor, Cllr A Page read the following finance report: As of this morning, 3rd February 2025 there is currently £180,006.85 in the bank accounts.  
As per the finance report circulated £7,216.47 has been paid out in between the January's meeting and this one. The current value of outstanding payments to be approved this evening is £1,396.85, this will leave £178,614.00 including a VAT claim of £4.00 which will be applied for after tonight's meeting.  
Allotment rent payments received to date are £954.00.



Weldon Parish Council sought professional advice from Citation regarding Sue Still's pay for covering the youth group prior to the appointment of the new Youth Development Coordinator. It was agreed to pay the difference of £166.03 so Sue was paid the amount that was suggested by Kirstie rather than paying at the rate of pay of the Youth Development Coordinator now in position.

We have received £1,807.95 from NNC for the development of the Gander Field.

The following payments were approved in line with current legislation.

Payee	Payments - Reason	Amount	Power
Staff costs	January salary costs & expenses	£1,380.33	LGA 1972, s112
HMRC	PAYE	£215.15	LGA 1972, s112
Weldon Park RA	Grant	£480.00	S137
St Mary's Parish Church	Grant	£3,390.00	S137
Peterborough Diocese	Youth worker - January salary	£1,647.19	LGA 1972, s112
Citation	HR & Health and Safety package	£222.21	LGA 1972, s111
Unity Warehouse	December electricity supply for Unit D1	£44.73	LGA 1972, s111
Unity Trust	Bank charges	£10.05	LGA 1972, s111
Claire Ducker	Printer ink and stamps	£30.56	LGA 1972, s111
Three	Wifi for Unit	£25.07	LGA 1972, s111
Sue Still	Youth work	£166.03	LGA 1972, s112
NPC Maintenance	Maintenance for January	£800.00	OPA 1906, s.10
SLCC	Membership	£202.00	LGA 1972, s111
	TOTAL COSTS	£8,613.32	

- Grants received and previously circulated and to be discussed
  - Weldon Congregational Church £950 for grass and upkeep of church yard. All in agreement for the grant to be approved, proposed by Cllr Clowery and approved by Cllr Gibson.



- 25.037**      **Precept** - this has been set at £162,000 for 2025/26, all documentation has been forwarded to NNC.
- 25.038**      **HR & Health and Safety Citation update** - Cllr M Page has requested guidance from Citation to enable help for all Councillors to be able to log in and access the portal.
- 25.039**      **Update on the supply of electricity to the Village Green, grant applications**  
Cllr Shepard is to contact Katherine from Greenscape to discuss the process moving forward and seek advice where we can get funding from.
- 25.040**      **Update on the consultation of the Neighbourhood Development Plan -**  
Cllr Vickers was unable to attend tonight meeting but requested a meeting to be set up via Zoom to review the documents, Tuesday 11th February @ 18:30 was agreed. Clerk to send out invites to all Councillors.
- 25.041**      **Planning Applications were reviewed at the Planning meeting held on Tuesday 28th January 2025.**  
Discussions are still ongoing regarding the incinerator  
Cllr M Page is in talks with planning about the application for the Lidl store and use of S106 for LCWIP.
- 25.042**      **Training Courses**  
Cllr Gibson and Claire Ducker attended the Planning for Elections course held on 30th January 2025.  
Clerk to circulate powerpoint presentation
- 25.043**      **To Consider the following Incoming Correspondence as previously circulated all for information only**  
A. Updates from NCALC  
B. Newsletter from Jason Smithers, Leader of NNC  
C. Weekly Planning Applications and Decisions  
D. NALC Newsletters and courses  
E. Weekly Road Works Programmes and Gully Cleaning  
F. Planning Matters Training Programme
- 25.044**      **To note any concerns raised by residents via email to the Clerk**  
A. Litter Bin outside 52 Corby Road - Reported on Fix my Street, this has been recorded since November with further reports recorded, still nothing has been done  
B. Collapsed wall on Deene End - Reported on Fix my Street  
    ○ This situation is not being resolved, actions to take  
        i. All councillors asked to report on Fix my Street  
        ii. Report as a duty of care to NNC  
        iii. Contact Dean Biddle, Planning Enforcement Officer  
        iv. Contact Councillor Macaulay Nichol  
C. Light out on Oundle Road (bottom of hill) - reported on Fix my Street



- 25.045 Reports from**
- A. Traffic Working Party meeting update - action log on website, next meeting Wednesday 19th March 2025 via Zoom @ 18:30
  - B. Parish Maintenance Working Party - minutes on website
- 25.046 Annual Parish meeting** - date set for Monday 12th May 2025 18:00 - 19:00 in the annex at Weldon Village Hall, offer cheese and wine. Advertise in Weldon Wide and on Facebook. Followed by Full Parish Council meeting @ 19:00
- 25.047 Communications meeting - VE Day discussions** - date of meeting arranged for Tuesday 4th March 2025 @ 18:00 at Weldon Cricket Club
- 25.048 Nominations for re elections by 3rd April 2025** - Clerk to send out nomination forms to all Councillors. Check with NCALC if seats need to be filled before 3rd April 2025.
- 25.049 Complaints policy** - Cllr A Page reminded all Councillors to refer to the complaints policy when receiving complaints. Cllr Shepard queried point 7 and requested that the Vice Chair and/or HR Chair to be added on who the complaint can be referred to if it involves both the Clerk and Chair. All were in agreement to this change. Cllr Shepard also queried point 12, this complaints policy is taken from NCALC, Clerk to check for any updates and bring back to FCM held in March.
- 25.050 Weldon Parish Council working parties**
- A new maintenance work schedule form was circulated prior to the meeting and all agreed a good way forward and to use. Cllr Shepard requested an additional column to be added regarding the budget, Clerk to update and recirculate for use.
  - Clerk to devise a similar form for the planning committee and along the lines of the action plan used for traffic
- 25.051 Maintenance**
- A. review and accept new maintenance reporting form - reviewed and agreed
  - B. Community Pay Back Team Update - Cllr C Shepard reported that the Payback Team are working on removing old tree stumps in the cricket ground
  - C. Tree warden report - George Brassington has confirmed intent to carry out tree work in a conservation area can go ahead. Lloyd Greenwood has been contacted to carry out the tree work on the village green and at the allotments. Lloyd will contact Cllr Shepard to arrange a suitable date and time to carry out the work on the village green. Lloyd cannot complete the work at the allotments until late summer. Ask Nigel to trim back the hedges along Larratt Road, allotments, before nesting season so they are tidy.  
An email from residents of Larratt Road have been received, Cllr Gibson reported that the muck at the gate to the allotments is being removed and has asked the tenant not to have it dumped there in



future. Larratt Road is an unadopted road therefore the frontage of the allotments is to be maintained by Weldon Parish Council and the residents to maintain the frontages of their properties.

- D. Footpath warden report, paths are continuing to be cleared and will be trimming back the branches that are overgrown on the footpath around the village.

**25.052 Weldon in Bloom** - Cllr Shepard was invited to attend the Finance committee meeting being held on Wednesday 12th February 2025 to discuss Weldon in Bloom.

Cllr Gibson has had a tenant of the allotments hand back their plot due to moving away and has donated their equipment. Cllr Gibson proposed that half the plot be used by Weldon in Bloom as a community garden plot and to support the reduction in costs of plants etc for maintaining the planters around the village. The other half will be offered to those currently on the waiting list to use it as a community allotment. By having this community plot, it is hoped to encourage those on the waiting list and bring in more support for Weldon in Bloom.

**25.053 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**

- Weldon Fete committee wish to hold a meeting with Weldon Parish Council, date to be arranged, still waiting on Weldon Fete to get in contact.
- Weldon Lodge - suggestions to what this building could be used for

**Date of next meeting - Monday 3rd March 2025 @ 19:00 at Weldon Village Hall**

**This being all the business the meeting Cllr A Page closed the meeting at 20:58**

<b>Signed</b> <i>A Page</i>	<b>Date</b> 3rd March 2025
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