

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

Councillors	Jane Clowery, John Cooke, Peter Dowsett, Jan Gibson, Angela Page (Chair),
Present	Mike Page, Kane Taylor, Colin Shepard, Graham Stray and Anton Vickers
Also Present	Claire Ducker (Clerk) 2 representative from PHPNA, PC Callum Crabb, PCSO Chris Asante-Ampaduh and Rural Councillor Kevin Watt

25.054	Apologies PCSO Alison Wallace (off duty) all apologies were accepted.
25.055	<b>Declarations of interest</b> - No declarations of interest were registered.
25.056	Crime Report - PCSO Wallace apologised for not attending this meeting,
	however forwarded the following report:

- Weldon crime
  - o 3 thefts
  - o 3 assaults
  - 1 shoplifting
  - 1 criminal damage
- Priors Hall crime
  - 1 shoplifting
  - 1 robbery
  - 1 drugs
  - o 1 assault

PC Crabb also reported on the riot held outside of the Parish and the crime number was passed to Persimmon Homes.

- **25.057 Public Session -** no public in attendance
- 25.058 Rural Councillor Kevin Watt reported that he had written to George Candler at NNC, regarding Phase 1 crossing, informing him that he is fully engaged with Weldon PC and the use of S106 monies.

  Rural Cllr Watt also informed that there are some Empowerment monies available and will send over the forms for WPC to apply.
- **25.059 PHPNA Representatives** nothing to report
- **25.060** The minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting, held on Monday 13th January 2025, accepted by all, proposed by Cllr Taylor and seconded by Cllr Gibson. Signed by Cllr A Page
- 25.061 Finance Cllr Taylor read the following finance report:

As of this morning, 3rd March 2025 this is currently £178,778.90 in the bank's accounts.

As per the finance report circulated £2,689.10 has been paid out in between the February's meeting and this one. The current value of outstanding payments to be approved this evening is £10,534.10, this will leave



£169,780.72. including a VAT claim of £1,110.83 which will be applied for after tonight's meeting. Allotment rent payments received to date are £1,084.00.

- Grants received and previously circulated and to be discussed
  - o 21st Corby Scouts, Priors Hall £842.00 for camp equipment
    - All in agreement for payment of this grant
- Requests from Youth Development Coordinator
  - Easter activities request the sum of £250.00 for 25 young people to attend Ironstone High Rope activity
  - Cabinet to store all Youth Work equipment at PHPCC £181.08
    - All in agreement for these to be purchased as this is within the Youth Work budget

The following payments were approved in line with current legislation.

Payee	Payments - Reason	Amount	Power
Staff costs	February salary costs & expenses	£1,444.84	LGA 1972, s112
HMRC	PAYE	£158.55	LGA 1972, s112
Direct Soccer	Training bibs for Youth Group	£45.99	LGA 1972, s111
	3 and 4 of 5 Payments Pension		
LGPS	shortfall for previous Clerk	£2,000.00	LGA 1972, s112
	February electricity supply for Unit		
Utility Warehouse	D1	£45.16	LGA 1972, s111
Citation	HR & Health and Safety package	£222.21	LGA 1972, s111
Unity Trust	Bank charges	£10.05	LGA 1972, s111
PHPCC	Room hire for youth groups	£103.50	LGA 1972, s111
	Maintenance for February &		
NPC Maintenance	expenses	£842.50	OPA 1906, s.10
Three	Wifi for Unit	£21.00	LGA 1972, s111
	Water for war memorial		
Wave	04.11.24-03.02.25	£18.51	PHA 1936, s125
	Water for allotments		
Wave	04.11.24-03.02.25	£20.45	PHA 1936, s125
Colin Shepard	Purchase of plants and bulbs	£371.06	OSA 1906, s9
NCALC	Planning for elections course	£84.00	LGA 1972, s111
NAYC	Emerging leader course - Rock Solid	£96.00	LGA 1972, s111



SJT Consultancy Services	VAS sign and installation	£3,720.00	LGA 1972, s145
Peterborough Diocese	Youth worker - February staff costs	£1,647.19	LGA 1972, s112
Weldon Tree &			
Landscapes	Village green tree cutting	£1,692.00	OPA 1906, s.10
D G Norman	Servicing of ride on mower	£406.19	OPA 1906, s9
R W Rutt	Allotment hedge cutting	£240.00	OPA 1906, s.10
Weldon Village Hall	Hire of annex for January & February	£34.00	LGA 1972,s111
	TOTAL COSTS	£13,223.20	

### 25.062 Update on the supply of electricity to the Village Green, grant applications

No updates. Planning permission is needed to be looked at to see if a cabinet can be installed on the village green to house the electric box, Cllr M Page to follow this up. Cllrs Shepard and Cooke to complete the forms once received from Rural Cllr Watt to apply for Empowerment monies.

25.063 Update on the consultation of the Neighbourhood Development Plan -

Cllr Vickers has received all the information and has now forwarded this to Gary. Add to next month's Full Council meeting to vote on the amended plan.

#### **25.064** Planning Applications

to attend.

## • NC/24/00345/LBC - 20 Church Street.

O No objections for this work to be carried out
Discussions are still ongoing regarding NC/23/00314/DPA - Lidl Store - Cllr
M Page is engaging with the planning officer. S106 agreement should
include contributions towards cycle and pedestrian routes to and from Lidl.
MP Lee Baron has organised another meeting, 29th March 2025, regarding
the incinerator where WPC, PHPNA and Rural Cllr Kevin Watt will be invited

Weldon Lodge - Cllr M Page has been in contact with a company interested in taking over Weldon Lodge. Cllr Vickers has also been approached and shown an interest, Cllr Vickers to forward these details to Cllr M Page. Cllr M Page spoke about Weldon in the Forest presentation with Mulberry. Mulberry are in discussions with MP Lee Baron and NNC. The presentation has been circulated to all Councillors.

**25.065** Reports from Traffic Working Party meetings - Action log available on the website.

Cllr Dowsett has contacted Graham Kane and reported the queuing of cars on Kettering Road waiting to enter the recycling centre.

Next traffic working party meeting is to be held on Wednesday 19th March 2025, at 18:30 via Zoom.



#### 25.066 Maintenance

- Maintenance action log Review and approve maintenance work suggestions
  - Replacement of bollards along High Street, need to report on Fix My Street
- Maintenance work log caretakers work schedule
- Community Pay Back Team Update Cllr Shepard requested they build a new planter to go in front of the Roundhouse
  - A maintenance work suggestion form is to be completed for discussions and approval at April's Full Council meeting
- Tree warden report Trees on the village green have been cut back along with the hedgerow along the allotment boundary on Larratt Road
- Footpath warden report paths are continuing to be cleared and overgrown branches will be cut back

#### 25.067 Training Courses

 Cllr Gibson attended the Lunchtime Lowdown on The Annual Meeting of the Council held on 27.02.2025

# 25.068 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

#### 25.069 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. Reported again 24.02.2025.
- B. Collapsed wall on Deene End Reported on Fix my Street
  - stones have been started to be cleared and work being carried out
- C. Cllr Shepard has reported street light out on Haunt Hill
- D. Cllr Dowsett has reported the bus stops on High Street
- 25.070 Annual Parish meeting date set for Monday 12th May 2025 18:00 19:00
   25.071 Communications meeting VE Day discussions Date of meeting Tuesday 4th March @ 18:00 at Weldon Cricket Club. Cllr Taylor is gaining quotes for a new PA system.
- **25.072 Approve complaints policy** all approved and signed by Cllr A Page
- 25.073 Weldon Lodge please see under Planning 25.064
- 25.074 Maternity cover for YDC



- Kevin Armstrong will be employed for 10 hours per week
  - Contract to be drawn up for KA
- Clubs for Young People in Northamptonshire (CYPN) will also support and will invoice for their work
- Admin support from Weldon St Marys Church
- DBS checks to be carry out by Peterborough Diocese
- Parents and children attending groups will be informed of the changes
- 25.075 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 Parish notice board on the wall of the annex in the village hall needs updating
    - o Cllrs Shepard and Taylor to look at different options

Date of next meeting - Monday 7th April 2025 @ 19:00 at Weldon Village Hall

This being all the business the meeting Cllr A Page closed the meeting at 20:19

This meeting was followed by a closed meeting where members of the public were asked to leave.

Signed	Date
A Page	7th April 2025