

## EDITH WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council (PC) held on Thursday 8 January 2018

Present: Councillors N. Milne (NM), N. Farmer (NF), R. Harris (RH), N. Appleby (NA), P. Coe (PC), and the Clerk, B. Shirley (BS)

Visitors: County Councillor G. Waller (GW), M. Ellwood-Wade (MEW), Staff Sgt J. Jacques (JJ)

Item	Description	Action
1. Apologies	Cllr E. Jarron, County Councillor K. Bool (KB)	
2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda	None declared	
3. Public Open Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NM welcomed everyone to the meeting. It was with regret that the Chair announced that Irene Langford had resigned from the Parish Council as she is moving away from the area. The Clerk read the letter of resignation, and it was agreed that a formal letter of thanks will be sent to Mrs Langford. An election to the Parish Council vacancy will be arranged in due course.</li> <li>In answer to a question from MEW, NM confirmed that the form for registering an interest in the St Georges Barracks forum is available on the village website.</li> <li>NA confirmed there is nothing further to report on gritting on Ullswater Drive.</li> <li>MEW understands that the police will not monitor traffic speeding on Manton Road because of current signage. The Clerk will contact Dave Brown to see if this is the case.</li> <li>JJ reported that a number of lorries are speeding on Pennine Drive, and also turning round because they are lost. The Clerk will write a letter to Trevor Ellis to express the Parish Council's concern and copy in GW.</li> </ul>	<div>BS</div> <div>BS</div> <div>BS</div>
4. Minutes of the last meeting held on 30 October 2017	Minutes of 30 November agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.	
5. Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No matters to report.</li> </ul>	

6. Updates from the Army	JJ has not heard where the dogs will be located on the closure of St Georges Barracks. A meeting will be taking place shortly with the CO to discuss this.	
7. Future of St George's Barracks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GW reported that the Leader of the County Council has resigned, and the Deputy Leader, Councillor Oliver Hemsley, has stepped up. He is currently an RCC representative on the St Georges Barracks project group and will now resign.</li> <li>• The Project Group will meet on 9 January.</li> <li>• There is still no sign of any dedicated St Georges Barracks website. RCC will wish to ensure that there is engagement with local people before proposals for the site are drawn up.</li> <li>• GW was unsure if the interim limestone survey results are in as this is not on the Project Group agenda for the meeting on 9 January.</li> <li>• RH asked what the function of the Project Group will be if all decisions are to be made by the MOD and RCC, and GW confirmed that the Project Board will ensure that all processes are followed while the site is being developed.</li> <li>• In the meantime, the dogs are in transit kennels with no decisions yet made on where they will be going.</li> </ul>	
8. To discuss planning applications received	<p>The Clerk reported:</p> <p>Ref: 2017/1164/CAT – fell one Norway Maple, 35 Weston Road – no objection</p> <p>Ref: 2017/0932/LBA and 2017/0930/LBA – 55 Weston Road applications agreed.</p> <p>Ref: FUL/2007/0150/CC – A pre-enquiry meeting will be held on 10 January on the proposed stopping up of Empingham Road, Ketton. As previous planning consent was never implemented, Christopher Renner has advised that members of the public attend the meeting to speak. Both KB and GW have asked why the application for re-route the road is being submitted at this time.</p>	
9. Update on environmental issues in the Parish	<p>NF reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 61/63 Weston Road – flooding issue now resolved.</li> <li>• Stones have been put under the kissing gates, but might need topping up.</li> <li>• NF and NM may remove the stile at the end of the snicket between St Mary's Close and Normanton Road when the weather improves.</li> <li>• Village gates– Neil Tomlinson has indicated he does not want the 30 mph sign on Normanton Road moved. The Manton Road sign</li> </ul>	

	<p>could be moved to the gate. Could gates or planter features be added to the current village signs? NF to take the matter forward with RCC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NM asked if the drainage work on Normanton Road was finished because there were still bollards at the side of the road, and water still on the road perhaps because mud had blocked the drain. GW will follow this up.</li> </ul>	<p>NF</p> <p>GW</p>
10. Anglian Water User Group	<p>NA reported on a recent meeting of the Anglian Water User Group and has asked for a calendar of national events being held round Rutland Water where participants might need local accommodation.</p> <p>NA to ask which local lakes are infected by waterborne killer weed and will report back to JJ.</p>	NA
11. Update on safety issues in the Parish	Nothing to report.	
12. Finance	<p>a) To note the current bank balance on the Parish Council's accounts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Clerk reported the balance on the current account, as at 6 January was £6,258.40. In the savings account, the balance is £14,099.85.</li> </ul> <p>b) To agree draft Parish Council budget for 2018/19 financial year. RH circulated the budget spreadsheet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The budget lines include estimates for usual expenditure, based on the spend in 2017/18.</li> <li>There are two lines which add to proposed additional expenditure of £12,000 during 2018/19 – for village gates, and the response to the MOD base project. The plans for the St Georges Barracks site are likely to come to the fore in 2018, starting with the proposed 70 houses on the officers' mess site. This is considerably more than the 9 houses set out in the Local Plan. It was agreed that during 2018 work would begin on refreshing the Neighbourhood Plan. NM will do a leaflet drop around the village on the meeting on 29 January. JJ offered to drop off leaflets in the Coniston Road area. GW reminded the meeting that a form must be completed in order to attend the meeting on 29 January.</li> <li>The Chair asked for agreement on the Parish Council budget for 2018/19: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proposed NA</li> <li>Seconded NF</li> <li>All in agreement</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Clerk to submit precept form to RCC.</li> </ul>	
13. To agree payment of invoices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BT – Village Hall broadband, November and December 2017 – BS made payments on £58.68 on 27 November and 29 December.</li> </ul>	
14. To discuss correspondence received by the Clerk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A letter has been received from Edith Weston, requesting a contribution to the maintenance of the village cemetery. It was agreed that £500 should be granted to the PCC, and a letter will be sent to David Forbes to confirm.</li> <li>RCC Ground maintenance contract – no action required.</li> <li>Boundary Commission report – only small changes in Normanton Ward</li> <li>LRALC Articles of Incorporation consultation – BS to send to NA for comment.</li> <li>Revision of Data Protection Regulations and implications for parish councils – BS to send to NA for comment</li> </ul>	BS    BS  BS
15. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting	<p>Next scheduled meeting Monday 26 February. Apologies received from County Councillors Bool and Waller.</p> <p>After the St Georges meeting on 29 February, if it is felt appropriate there may be an extraordinary meeting arranged between Edith Weston and North Luffenham Parish Councils (either 1 or 6 February).</p>	