## **EDITH WESTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council (PC) held on Monday 26 June 2017

Present: Councillors N. Milne (NM), I. Langford (IL), R. Harris (RH), N. Farmer (NF), E. Jarron (EJ) and the Clerk, B. Shirley (BS)

Visitors: County Councillor G. Waller (GW), Sgt A. Wood (AW), T. Clegg (TC), M. Ellwood-Wade (MEW), S. Boston (SB)

Item	Description	Action
1. Apologies	Cllr Coe, County Cllr Bool	
2. Declarations of interest on items on the Agenda	NM – invoice from Metasys, agenda item 11	
2. Pubic Open Forum	No representations received	
4. Minutes of the last meeting and minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on 15 May 2017	The Clerk confirmed that the minutes of the Annual Parish meeting will be agreed at the meeting in 2018.  The Chair asked for the minutes of the meeting of 15 May to be agreed as a correct record:  Proposed – NF	NM
	Seconded – RH  All in favour, minutes signed by the Chair.	КВ
5. Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda	<ul> <li>NF asked if it would be possible to put the Village Welcome Pack on a more noticeable place on the Parish Council website. NM to see if it possible to set up another tab.</li> <li>GW advised that the County Councillors have met with the portfolio holders for business and employment to discuss the concerns about noise and other antisocial behavior being caused by some visitors to Rutland Water. The Council Cabinet is considering stopping the Rutland Water Partnership, and replacing it with a Strategic Partnership. However this is not a forum for day to day issues, and the portfolio holders will be raising concerns direct with Anglian Water, who will be asked to police activities of visitors and put up appropriate notices</li> <li>Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting:</li> </ul>	NM

	NM confirmed that he has written to the C/O at RAF Wittering about noise from aircraft over Rutland Water	
	SB was pleased to note that the tenant grazing Rutland Water has now cleared the nettles on the south shore.	
	The cutting back of the hedges in Coniston Road and Crummock Avenue. TC confirmed that this area is managed for Annington Homes by Preim, and will provide the Clerk with some contact details so that the matter can be raised direct.	TC/BS
6. Updates from the	AW reported:	
Army	No formal notification of a move to Kendrew expected until November	
	The new C/O is Lt Colonel Neil Lakin, who starts on 3 August. EJ will send a note of welcome on behalf of the Parish Council, and introduce himself.	EJ
	• GW confirmed that she is part of a project group looking at the future of St George's Barracks. RCC wanted to bid for One Public Estate funding to work with the MOD on the redevelopment, but it is unclear if this money is still available, post General Election. A mineral survey will be carried out on the site to see if it has the potential to be quarried, but no date set for this. The potential for redevelopment is likely to centre initially on the area around the officers' quarters, which are listed buildings. There is possible scope for executive type housing on this part of the site. There is a planning workshop on Wednesday to map out what the County Council would like to see if the area is redeveloped. However, GW said RCC do not want to see another town on the site, and want to ensure that they manage the developments. NM suggested that the Parish Council will wish to be involved in appropriate meetings. GW reminded the Parish Council that it is now time to refresh the Neighbourhood Plan, possibly with North Luffenham Parish Council.	
	• In response to a question from EJ, GW confirmed that quarrying is not an attractive prospect given that there is contamination on parts of the site.	
	• In response to a question from AW, GW confirmed that there is currently a consultation on the future of the Oakham Hopper bus, which could release some resources for more public transport in the rural areas.	

7. To discuss any planning permission applications received between now and the meeting	On behalf of PC, NM reported:	
	Revised plans for erection of detached dwelling and garage, 36     Weston Road – already discussed	
	Remove sycamore tree, 23 Weston Road – agreed	
	Remove eucalyptus tree, 13 Well Cross – agreed	
	• Two storey rear extension with balcony and single side extension, 18 Coniston Road. Advice from PC already circulated to the Parish Council is that the extension is large and of a size and scale out of keeping with neighbouring properties. EJ remarked that the extension does look out of proportion to the size of the plot. The proposed extension will block the view of Rutland Water from the opposite side of Coniston Road, but NM and EJ reminded the Parish Council that loss of view is not a concern. However, it may be that the extension will block the light to the neighbouring property, and these are grounds on which to raise concerns with RCC, although not likely to be grounds on which to base an objection. The plans increase the footprint of the property by 65%, and there is a possible invasion of privacy to neighbours because of the balconies on the two storey extension. BS agreed to draft a letter expressing the concerns of the Parish Council, in lieu of a formal objection, and circulate for comment.	
8. Update on environmental issues in	Well Cross – IL has asked Neil Tomlinson for a breakdown of the costs for the work at Well Cross. GW will chase up	GW
the Parish	Parish Council noticeboard – this forms part of the Well Cross issue, and NF is still waiting to hear from RCC.	
	IL asked if the Parish Council would agree to requesting Biffa cuts the grass on the right hand side of Manton Road. Proposed – EJ, seconded NF, all in favour. IL to contact Biffa.	IL
	Stile on the Glebeland – the Parish Council has agreed to cover the cost of the work to be carried out to replace the stiles. NF confirmed that he will check the work is being carried out correctly. TC said she hoped that it would enable more children to walk this route to school rather than use the road.	NF
	<ul> <li>Dog fouling, Gibbet Lane – BS has received a response from RCC who have suggested the installation of a litter bin at a cost of £92.01. New dog fouling signs will be put up in the area. IL and NF will visit and decide whether there should be another litter bin, and where it should be located.</li> </ul>	IL/NF
	TC leads a youth group, and suggested they would be more than happy to work with the Parish Council to plant some bulbs. NM suggested TC brings some members of the group to a Parish Council	

	meeting to discuss this.	тс
9. Update on safety issues in the Parish	Defibrillator – RH confirmed that the defibrillator pads have now been replaced.	
10. Finance	<ul> <li>To note the current bank balance on the Parish Council's accounts:</li> <li>The Clerk reported the balance on the current account, as at 25 June was £18,633.63. Until the invoices for Well Cross are received from RCC, BS will leave this in the current account. NF confirmed that the Parish Council are awaiting the breakdown of costs for Well Cross.</li> <li>The balance in the savings account as at 13 May was £9096.70</li> </ul>	
11. To agree payment of invoices	<ul> <li>The following invoices were agreed for payment:</li> <li>Rutland &amp; Stamford Memorials – work on stone at Well Cross - £672.00</li> <li>Zurich Municipal – annual Parish Council insurance - £167.44</li> <li>Biffa – grass cutting March &amp; April 2017 - £288.00</li> <li>Hicks &amp; Hicks Electrical Ltd – replacement of defibrillator light - £115.79</li> <li>Lamin and White payroll services - £43.20</li> <li>Metasys – domain hosting - £30.00</li> <li>Eon – non metred electricity, April &amp; May 2017 - £152.76</li> <li>BT – Village Hall broadband, May 2017 - £58.68. The Clerk had confirmed this was paid on 3 June.</li> </ul>	
12. To review inventory of assets held by the Parish Council	The Clerk confirmed that RCC had now confirmed that street lights are no longer part of the Parish Council assets.  EJ asked that Well Cross should be recorded as Well Cross monument. This was agreed and the asset register will be amended accordingly.	BS
13. To discuss correspondence received by the Clerk	<ul> <li>Seafarers UK – Red ensign for Merchant Navy Day – no action required</li> <li>Citizens Advice Rutland – IL asked for the correspondence to be taken to the next Parish Council meeting to see if the Parish Council will agree to some grant funding</li> </ul>	BS

14. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting	31 July 2017, 7.15 pm, Edith Weston Village Hall.	