

## EDITH WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council (PC) held on Wednesday 30 August 2017.**

Present: Councillors N. Milne (NM), I. Langford (IL), N. Farmer (NF), P. Coe (PC) and the Clerk, B. Shirley (BS)

Visitors: County Councillor K. Bool (KB), N.Appleby (NA), Sgt A. Wood (AW),

Item	Description	Action
1. Apologies	Cllrs Jarron & Harris, County Councillor Waller	
2. Declarations of interest on items on the Agenda	None declared	
3. Public Open Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NA congratulated the PC on the installation of the three kissing gates on the Glebe land.</li> <li>NA confirmed that Mrs Ellwood-Wade had organised the cleaning of the bus shelter on Windermere Road, and that the low hanging branches on the corner of Derwent Avenue have now gone.</li> <li>The owners of 17 Coniston Road have cleared the path but not cut back the hedge. The Clerk confirmed she is drafting a letter to the owners of numbers 17 and 18 Coniston Road asking them to cut back their hedges.</li> <li>In answer to a question from NA, KB confirmed that a national safety initiative sets the speed for traffic outside schools at 20 mph. NA is concerned about some traffic going at speed through the estate to avoid speed bumps on Weston Road which could be a hazard for children. The Chair asked NA to write officially to the PC so that the matter can be raised with RCC.</li> <li>The Chair reported that he has received a letter from Mr David Forbes, formally objecting to the proposed new shed/summerhouse at Vine Cottage.</li> </ul>	<div>BS</div> <div>NA</div>
4. Minutes of the last meeting held on 31 July 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes of the meeting of 31 July agreed as a correct record: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proposed by PC</li> <li>Seconded by NF</li> </ul> </li> <li>All in agreement – minutes signed by the Chair.</li> </ul>	
5. Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda	<p>Matters arising from the Parish Council meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KB confirmed that there was nothing further to report on the future of St Georges Barracks. The assessment of the minerals has still to</li> </ul>	

	take place. The officers' quarters are likely to be developed.	
6. Updates from the Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AW reported that the move of soldiers and animals from Germany is now almost completed. There was nothing further to report on the move of staff to Kendrew Barracks.</li> </ul>	
7. To discuss any planning permission applications received between now and the meeting	<p>PC reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hansons have won a new public inquiry into the proposed stopping up of the road at Empingham Road, Ketton. Objections have to be in by 6 October, should the Parish Council wish to reiterate their objections from last time. KB confirmed that as far as RCC are concerned there is no link between this application and what is proposed for the development of the St Georges Barracks site.</li> <li>Vine Cottage, 55 Weston Road – PC has noticed that the proposal put to RCC was incomplete, and the architects have not included all the details. However the proposal in relation to the house are not contentious. In relation to the proposed summerhouse, it was confirmed that a building under 2m in height does not need planning permission. The proposals are for a building of 3.4m in height. NM has looked at the site from Rutland Water and in his view, there would be visual impact from that side. However, there are concerns expressed by Mr Forbes that the height of the proposed building will impact on his garden, and whilst he has no objection to replacing the current sheds, he is objecting on the grounds that what is proposed is far more substantial than what it replaces.</li> <li>It was agreed that a letter of objection to the proposed size of the summerhouse will be written by PC, with a copy to GW and KB.</li> </ul>	PC
8. Local Plan consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The proposed site allocations includes a site at The Yews, Well Cross. RH has expressed concern that the proposal is for 17 dwellings on this site, which is way above the "small scale development" (no more than 9 dwellings) suggested by 85% of respondents to the Village Neighbourhood Plan. The PC agreed that there is no objection to the development in principle so long as what was built was in keeping with the village, but is concerned about the number of dwellings proposed.</li> <li>PC reminded the Parish Council that they must submit comments on the whole of the Local Plan, not just as it affects Edith Weston. In view of the timescale for feedback, PC agreed to look at the whole plan and draft a response on behalf of the Parish Council.</li> <li>The Clerk to circulate an invitation from the Rutland Branch of the LRALC to a meeting on 5 September to discuss the Local Plan and</li> </ul>	PC

	the Electoral review.	BS
9. Electoral Review of Rutland: warding arrangements consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The consultation finishes on 2 October. The Parish Council to consider whether there is a case for a boundary to be drawn round the MoD site so that it sits in Edith Weston or North Luffenham for electoral purposes.</li> </ul>	
10. Update on environmental issues in the Parish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IL confirmed that Biffa have now cut the grass at the other side of Manton Road</li> <li>An invoice received from RCC for work at Well Cross for £8,803.08 was sent in error and has now been cancelled by RCC.</li> <li>NF is still waiting for RCC to complete the work on the new PC noticeboard.</li> <li>Dog fouling, Gibbet Lane – bins and notices are now installed, and this work is complete.</li> </ul>	
11. Update on safety issues in the Parish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nothing to report on the defibrillator</li> <li>Radar signs for the village are still under consideration by Neil Tomlinson</li> </ul>	
12. Finance	<p>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 28 August was £14, 806.18 with £9097.31 in the savings account.</li> <li>The Chair confirmed that the Parish Council's financial regulations will be reviewed in light of recent LRALC guidance on internet banking.</li> </ul>	
13. To agree payment of invoices	<p>The following invoices were presented and agreed for payment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Biffa for grass cutting, May to August 2017 - £672.00</li> <li>Eon – non metered electricity, July 2017 - £77.63</li> </ul> <p>To note payment of invoices as per the agreement of the Parish Council at their last meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A letter of thanks had been received from Rutland CAB for the donation of £100.00</li> </ul> <p>To confirm payment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BT – Village Hall broadband, May 2017 - £58.68. The Clerk had confirmed this was paid on 30 July 2017</li> <li>Rutland County Council – payment of £1741.72 for work at Well Cross. This was paid by the Clerk on 12 August 2017.</li> </ul>	

	Proposed for payment by NF, seconded by IL, agreed by all present.	
14. To discuss correspondence received by the Clerk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arrangements for disposal of green waste. A payment of £35 per year for disposal of green waste was agreed by Cabinet on 15 August, and will go to full Council in September.</li> <li>• Parish Trees – policy and inspection service. An external service whereby RCC can inspect trees on request. BS to chase up the request for the cutting back of the tree on Church Lane, next to the PC noticeboard.</li> </ul>	BS
14. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting	Monday 25 September, 7.15 pm, Village Hall	