

WELTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 29 January 2008

Present: Mr Frank Clay (Vice-Chairman); Mr Derek Fairweather (Planning Reporting Officer); Mrs Gwynneth Banks; Mr Harry Carter, Mrs Elaine Eggett, Mr Lee Franks, Mrs Jill Gill; Dr Harry Hooper, Dr Julia Lawrence and Mrs Doreen Putnam.

Ward Cllr Mrs Helen Gilmour

1. Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of the meetings held on 11 December were approved as a true record of events and duly signed by the Vice-Chairman.

2. Apologies

Paul Donkin and Steven Burdick

3. Declaration of Interests

Memorial Hall - Harry Hooper, Frank Clay, Derek Fairweather

4. Matters arising

Information re 'Quality Bus Stops' - The Clerk had received information regarding the improvements to some existing bus stops. It was agreed that the improvements would not cause issues regarding the limited car parking in the area.

Issues re underpass tunnel vandalism. Details had been received regarding the level of vandalism. These issues had been taken up with East Riding Council and Humberside Police for action.

It was agreed that the Traffic Calming Sub-Committee should comprise Cllr Mrs Banks, Cllr Ms Lawrence and Cllr Mrs Gill.

The Clerk had requested a copy of the minutes from the Parochial Church Council meeting when it had been agreed that the Church Hall would be put up for sale. According to the information received, these minutes are confidential and cannot be supplied.

Cllr Carter reported that the next meeting of the South Hunsley School liaison group, who are concerned with the School Travel Plan, was to be held on 31 January. The main issue for Cllr Carter was that these meetings took place during the day and it was not possible for him to attend due to work commitments. It was agreed that the situation should be monitored before any decision was made.

5. Parish Waterways Sub-Committee

Mr Toohie was in attendance and gave a detailed account of what should be done around the Melton pond. Details were given of the grant aid which had been applied for. Surveys were to be conducted to see if great crested newts and bats were present. These had to be carried out within a very short timescale. All those present were in agreement that the project should move ahead as quickly as possible. Mr Toohie was thanked for his input and advice.

6. Emergency Plan

No update to be reported. Details were already in place of emergency contact numbers.

7. Planning

The Planning Report was submitted and approved by all present.

8. Police report

No information had been received.

9. Report by East Riding Councillor

Cllr Mrs Gilmour reported that the details regarding Bow Road had all been signed off. The issues regarding the underpass were giving great concern and strategies were being looked into to see what action could be taken.

The following issues were raised:

Concern was raised regarding the railings around the roundabout on the Grade Separated Junction - this issue to be raised with the Highways Agency for possible action.

There was a great deal of concern regarding the speed and volume of traffic still coming through the centre of the village. It was thought that once the school travel plan was in place, this could be used to restrict vehicles coming through the centre of the village.

There had been no feedback regarding the fate of Welton Old School. It would appear that the site is being allowed to become derelict.

10. Memorial Hall

Members of the public voiced concerns regarding the Parish Council's influence over the running of the Memorial Hall. It was pointed out that the Parish Council are the custodians of the Memorial Hall but the running of the building and its upkeep is in the hands of the Trustees. Guidance had been received from the Charity Commission and the Standards Board for England. Due to the argumentative nature of some of those present, the Vice-Chairman closed the meeting to the public to enable the business of the Parish Council to continue.

11. Finance

The following expenditure was approved for payment:

Clerk's salary (£279.96) plus postage (£11.76) = £271.72

Clearway - £263.20

Document Storage Boxes £162.03 (Staples Delivery Limited)

Graham & Company - internal audit - £282.00

Audit Commission - £141.00

St Helen's PCC - £377.13

Mr F Clay - postage - £4.75

Mr D Fairweather - expenses - £14.10

12. Correspondence

ERYC Minutes of the Council meeting 14 November 2007 plus Agenda 9 January 2008

Flood Review meetings

Informal consultation regarding the introduction of a Dog Control Order across the East Riding under the Clean Neighbourhood and Environment Act 2005.

Details re temporary road closure - Melton Level Crossing, Gibson Lane

Email re New Street Names suggestions

Local Paths Partnership Scheme for 2008/09

Humbrella - leaflets

East Riding of Yorkshire NHS - Prospectus 2008/09

Post Office - area Plan Decision Booklet for east Yorkshire with Bassetlaw and North Lincolnshire.

Communities and Local Government - Consultation on Orders and Regulations Relating to the Conduct of Local Authority Members in England

Humberside Fire & Rescue - Strategic Plan 2008 - 11 - Consultation Document

Letter - Mr K White re Welton Relief in Need Charity

Email - Richard Pearson

Email - Wayne Evans

13. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 26 February 2008

After the closure of the formal meeting, the following issues were raised:

Details of the survey which had been carried out on the Memorial Hall were distributed. Quotations were to be received for the necessary repairs. Copies of the report had been distributed to the Trustees for action.

Concern was registered regarding the road surface from the traffic lights onto the slip road into Common Lane - also the surface of Common Lane.

Cllr Fairweather agreed to enquire to see if, after the closure of the post office, whether the Green Dragon would be prepared to hold supplies of 'dog bags'.

It was reported that there were issues regarding parking along Park Road between 8 and 9 in the morning.