

## Weston Under Wetherley Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 7:30pm,  
24<sup>th</sup> October 2018, St Michael's Church

**Present:**

Councillor Jeff Arnold (Vice Chairman)  
Councillor Jenny Arnold  
Councillor Wallace Redford

Councillor Nick Harrington  
Councillor Pam Redford (Chairman)

**In Attendance:**

Jane Chatterton Clerk & RFO

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**60. Apologies**

There were no apologies for absence.

**61. Declarations of Interest:**

There were no declarations of interest.

**62. Public participation**

Fiona Anderson, Rural Capacity Officer, Warwickshire Community and Voluntary Action attended the meeting to update on a pilot project aimed at reducing social isolation within the rural areas of Warwick District.

The organisation can offer help to groups and charities however small. They had a comprehensive list of resources on their website and were able to meet with groups to offer advice and support on a number of issues including funding, group support and volunteering.

[www.wcava.org.uk](http://www.wcava.org.uk)

Discussion took place and various groups were identified including the elderly but also young mums without transport who were unable to attend groups and appointments.

**ACTION:**

- (i) Councillor Harrington to email Fiona the contact details for groups that use the Village Hall.
- (ii) Information to be included on the website.
- (iii) Information to be included in November/December's Newsletter.

**63. Minutes**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018 were considered.

**RESOLVED THAT** the minutes from the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018 be approved and were signed by the Chairman.

**64. Matters Arising**

**Grit Bin**

**ACTION:** Councillor Harrington to send the dimensions of the grit bin to the Clerk. Once received Clerk would order a replacement grit bin.

**65. Councillor's reports and items for future Agenda**

Reports from County Councillor Cllr. Wallace Redford and District Councillors Cllr. Mrs Pam Redford and Cllr. Trevor Wright.

**Councillor Trevor Wright**

It was noted that the Courts were fining offenders rather than issuing a penalty of attending a community payback scheme. A letter had been sent to Jeremy Wright.

**Police and Crime Commissioner**

Councillor Wright had written to the PPC (Mr Seccombe) asking him to clarify and update on the revised policing model as committed to at the WRE in June 2018.

The reply from the "Development & Policy Lead" was both inadequate and concerning as he didn't appear to know where Stoneleigh & Cubbington Ward was in the country.

Councillor Wright had written in response seeking further information, and he assured that he would continue to pursue getting the best possible support. Further update to be provided once known.

**Homeless Hostels in Leamington**

It was noted that this was going well. Applications had been made for additional funding to support homeless people.

**HS2**

A meeting was taking place in early January in relation to HS2. Updates would be provided after the meeting.

**Councillor Wallace Redford - WCC**

**Footpaths**

Correspondence had been received in relation to footpath repairs. It was noted that the repair schedule was a question of priorities and Weston was not high priority. It was noted that it was unlikely that complete resurfacing would take place for at least 12 months as the footpaths were not currently dangerous and Weston was not high on the priority list.

**Volunteer Transport Scheme**

It was reported that WCC had 5 volunteer transport schemes running to provide transport to enable people from rural areas to travel to appointments (hospital or doctors etc). WCC were in the process of trying to increase the provision and they required support from the parish councils.

The service was provided by volunteers who used their own cars to get parishioners from A to B. They all had the required suitable insurance and were reimbursed for mileage only.

**ACTION:**

- (i) Advertise the scheme in the parish council newsletter.
- (ii) Encourage parishioners to use the scheme, raise awareness and prove that there is a need.

**66. Correspondence**

**66.1 HS2 Update**

Notification had been received from Ashley Jackson, Community Engagement Manager, LM JV, HS2. Ground investigation works would be delivered to the area. The lane and slip road closure on the A46 between Stoneleigh Park and Kenilworth was expected to begin on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October and be in place for one week. Sessions would be held on 25<sup>th</sup> October between 4:00pm and 6:00pm at the Fox & Hen public house on Bascote Road.

Further information was available on the parish council website.

**ACTION:** Councillor Trevor Wright updated about a meeting in Cubbington. He would provide information to the Clerk.

**66.2 Leamington Half Marathon**

The organisers of the Leamington Half Marathon had notified the Parish Council that the second Leamington Spa Half Marathon would take place on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2019. The organisers wanted to give parishioners as much notice as possible.

It was noted that more information could be found at [www.leafmingtonspahalfmarathon.co.uk](http://www.leafmingtonspahalfmarathon.co.uk). Full road closure maps would go live just after Christmas.

The organisers asked if there were any local volunteers or groups who would like to help out either as marshals or running a water station on the route at the Rugby Tavern, Cubbington, The Red Lion, Hunningham or in Offchurch.

The organisers offered to attend a future meeting to provide more details.

It was noted that the event had caused disruption last year.

**RESOLVED THAT** the update be noted and information uploaded to the websites. Further discussion once the maps and route were released.

**67. Cycleway and HS2**

Nothing new to report.

**ACTION:** Clerk to write to the landowner of the land from Weston to the Woodyard, requesting a meeting.

**68. Finance****68.1 payments to be approved: -****Payments (Current Account)**

Date	Reference	Payee	Details	Value
22.10.18	BACS	J Chatterton	Clerk's Salary October 2018	
22.10.18	BACS	HMRC	October's Tax Payment for Clerk	£
22.10.18	BACS	J Chatterton	Office allowance & expenses October	£10.00
22.10.18	BACS	Village Hall	Donation Defib battery & Christmas tree (PAID)	£200.00
22.10.18	BACS	St Michael's Church	Mowing Donation (PAID)	£500.00

**RESOLVED THAT** the payments be approved.

**68.2 Bank Reconciliation up to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

The Bank Reconciliation up to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 was discussed.

Balance per bank statements as at 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2018:		£
Account 1	£15,315.19	
Account 2	£8,929.50	
	<hr/>	<b>£24,244.69</b>
Petty cash float (if applicable)	£0.00	£0.00
Less: late payments at 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	£0.00	
Add: any un-banked cash at 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	£0.00	
	<hr/>	<b>£24,244.69</b>
Net balances as at 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2018		<hr/>

**RESOLVED THAT** the Bank Reconciliation up to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 be approved.

**68.3 Quarterly Report up to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

The Quarterly Report up to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 was discussed.

**RESOLVED THAT** the Quarterly Report up to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 be approved.

**69. Maintenance of the areas around the village name plates and the planters**

Discussion took place on the idea of employing a maintenance person who would have the responsibility of improving the village. Duties to include tidying, cutting areas not included in the WDC schedule, maintaining the planters etc. T

**ACTION:** Councillor Harrington to obtain the details of maintenance person used by the Village Hall. Further discussion at a future meeting.

**70. Interpretation Board**

Information had been received from Jake McAlister, Dunsmore Living Landscape Trainee, Warwickshire Wildlife Trust, Brandon Marsh Nature Centre detailing the costings of the Interpretation Board.

The total cost of the board was £1,290.00 and a contribution of 20% had been requested from the parish council which would be £258.00

**RESOLVED THAT** as there was no provision in this year's budget, the parish council were unable to make a contribution.

**71. Planning**

**71.1 Application No: W/18/1958 HS2**

Description: Cubbington Cluster Ecological Mitigation (Construction of either ponds and two reptile banks) Sites OC080 OC083 OC084 and OC105  
Address: South and North Cubbington Wood, land adjacent to Mill Lane, Cubbington CV31 7UH  
Applicant High Speed Two (HS2) Ltd

**RESOLVED THAT:** No comment.

**72. Meeting Dates 2019**

The meeting dates for 2019 were agreed as:

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019  
Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019

A request was made to move the meeting venue from St Michael's Church to the Village Hall.

**RESOLVED THAT** it was approved by vote to move the meeting venue to the Village Hall (3 in favour and 2 against (Councillors Pam Redford and Wallace Redford)).

**73. Weston under Wetherley Reformatory**

Carry over to November's meeting.

**74. Playing field Area Fence**

Councillor Harrington had met with the Green Spaces Team (WDC) in relation to the playing field, fence and vehicle access gate. When the fencing has been replaced, a combination lock would be installed to the vehicle access gate; a second dog waste bin would be installed. A self-closing wheelchair accessible gate would be fitted adjacent to the Village Hall. Discussion was taking place to update the playground equipment and for Villagers to be consulted. WDC to provide input upon the type of playing area equipment available.

**RESOLVED THAT** the update be noted.

**75. Councillor's reports and items for future agenda**

**Narrowing pavement (Rugby Road)**

As reported previously, the overgrown hedge was continuing to narrow the pavement making it difficult and dangerous for pedestrians.

**ACTION:** Request David Ellison to look at the hedge.

### **Village Updates**

Councillor Harrington updated that he had been worked on the following:

- Rural Street Lighting -- with help from Rachel, reported 3 lights (5, 8, 12) which were out on the Rugby Road, 1 light (9) on daylight.
- Rural Street Lighting -- reported lamppost 8 Rugby Road failed again.

### **76. Date of the Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 21<sup>st</sup> November 2018.

Meeting closed at 21:05pm

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