

Weston Parish Council

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Minutes of the Weston Parish Council Meeting held on Weds 4th September 2024
19:30

24.09.01	<p>To receive apologies for absence:</p> <p>Cllr Sylvia Michael sent apologies.</p>
24.09.02	<p>To determine which items on the agenda, if any, require the exclusion of public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 S1 (2) and resolve to exclude public and press for these items.</p> <p>Item related to 24.09.07 to be adjourned to end and heard with public excluded.</p>
24.09.03	<p>To accept the minutes of the previous meetings, 3rd July, and 1st August 2024 as accurate.</p> <p>It was resolved to accept the minutes of both meetings as accurate.</p>
24.09.04	<p>To note any Declarations of Interest.</p> <p>There were none.</p>
24.09.05	<p>Public Participation:</p> <p>A) To hear issues and views from residents.</p> <p>B) To also receive reports from County Council and District Council representatives and Councillors.</p> <p>A resident raised the smell from the Pears lorries, satisfaction with road resurfacing in the area and distaste at dog mess being found in the area (including her drive) despite dog bins and signs being present around the area.</p> <p>Another resident commented that he thinks that it's a single dog that's responsible due to the uniformity of its mess.</p> <p>Chair responded that there were dog bins everywhere in the village.</p> <p>A resident suggested free bag dispensers.</p> <p>Chair suggested a memo reminding residents to be considerate.</p> <p>Bruce Laughton briefed that Pears is continuing to be a problem in Sutton-on-Trent and Carlton-on-Trent. This was addressed last time by requesting that they clean the vehicles out after they return. Contact has been renewed with them, and environmental health have been notified. The wind-direction may also be a factor.</p> <p>A resident has asked about the development on the old cricket ground – a new structure has appeared, and planning have been notified.</p> <p>Noted that the deadline for comments is 19th September.</p>

<p>24.09.06</p>	<p>To receive and consider any highways issues.</p> <p>Cllr David Hill had a meeting with VIA earlier in the week and discussed signage:</p> <p>The horse warning sign application is in the system, but the VIA representative that attended the meeting didn't know exactly where. We would need County Councillor backing for this to proceed, as well as a map of the paddocks in the village and an indication of the direction of travel.</p> <p>Cllr Hill continued discussion about the signage and distributed marked maps of the Weston junction with GNR marked with possible locations for reinstatement of the village gateway sign.</p> <p>VIA expressed a preference for locations further from the original site.</p> <p>The council expressed a preference for position 1 on the provided map with 2 as a backup.</p> <p>Cllr Laughton offered support for both signage issues the council has raised.</p> <p>Cllr Chase left the meeting at 8:04pm.</p>
<p>24.09.07</p>	<p>To consider financial matters, confirm bank balances and agree bills for payment, including:</p> <p>HostingUK – Clerk’s email provider invoice - Invoice number 1430806 - £23.99 inc VAT.</p> <p>Internal Audit Update (clerk to report).</p> <p>It was resolved to accept the bank statements and the bank reconciliation were viewed and confirmed by the council by vote.</p> <p>Cllr Chase re-entered the meeting at 8:09pm.</p> <p>it was resolved to reimburse the clerk’s invoice. Other discussion items moved to the end of the meeting.</p> <p>It was resolved to receive the internal audit report.</p>
<p>24.09.08</p>	<p>To consider planning matters and receive updates on ongoing applications (as applicable) including:</p> <p>Update: 24/01336/CMA - Upgrade of an existing junction between Ladywood Lane and Great North Road. Decision: No Objection (14 August 2024)</p>

24.09.09	<p>To discuss any issues raised by residents since last meeting.</p> <p>Some further discussion of the additional building on the cricket ground took place, and the facilities that were on the site.</p>
24.09.10	<p>Main Business:</p> <p>A) To discuss adoption of new Financial Regulations.</p> <p>Moved to end of meeting.</p> <p>B) Any updates on CIL grant and possible projects for the provided funding.</p> <p>Cllr Meadows waiting for update from Sylvia Michael's contact.</p> <p>C) Discuss Hedgehog Highway project.</p> <p>Councillors did not feel it was an appropriate project for the village.</p> <p>D) Determine policies to be reviewed for next meeting.</p> <p>Council to review the Financial Regulations again next month.</p> <p>E) Councillor Email Addresses (Clerk to report).</p> <p>The Clerk informed the council that they could have individual email addresses at the council's domain for no extra cost, subject to a maximum of £20+VAT for going over a predefined usage. The council will trial this.</p> <p>F) Update on Parish Clock.</p> <p>Clerk has booked a telephone conversation with the Church Warden and will attempt to mediate a resolution to the issue.</p> <p>G) Village Sign Update</p> <p>Covered under a previous agenda item.</p>
24.09.11	<p>Consider correspondence circulated to Councillors since last meeting including:</p> <p>A) NCC/VIA Winter Service (5 bags salt free, extra at £5/20kg, £55/tonne, £155/bin).</p> <p>5 Free bags to be requested, storage at Cllr. Hill's</p>
24.09.12	<p>To identify agenda items / business for the next meeting on Wednesday 6th November 2024.</p> <p>Review standing orders using NALC model standing orders.</p>

24.09.07	Confidential item. It was resolved to exclude the public.
24.09.10	A) To discuss adoption of new Financial Regulations. It was resolved to accept the model financial regulations with amendments. The amended regulations were signed by the chair.

Meeting Closed at 9:24pm

Signed

Callum Bryant

Clerk to the Council

Monday 16th September 2024