

MINUTES OF WRETTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH WRETTON
2ND JULY 2019

Present: Cllr David Llewellyn – Chairman,
Cllr Mick Peake, Cllr Mandy Peake, Cllr Martyn Cann, Cllr Ian Mack, Cllr Peter Garnett .

Also present: County Councillor Martin Storey and 1 member of the public

Public Participation
No matters raised

1. Apologies for Absence accepted from:

Apologies for absence received from Cllr Paul Williams.
Borough Councillor Colin Sampson also sent apologies that he was unable to attend the meeting.

2. No declarations of Interest made

3. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 13.05.19 and 03.06.19 were confirmed as a true record.

4. Update on matters arising from previous meetings:

- It was resolved that a donation of £200 would be made to West Norfolk Scouts as a gesture of thanks for training delivered in the use of the defibrillator. The Parish Council had previously agreed a budget of £500 to support the defibrillator project. The defibrillator is now installed in the village phone box and was registered with East Anglian Ambulance as soon as installation was complete. It has the same status as other defibrillators in neighbouring parishes. It was also resolved to purchase signs for the defibrillator at a cost of £80 plus VAT with Peter Garnett offering to fit the signs in the phone box and to cut back greenery from around the phone box.
- A former parish councillor will be approached to monitor the play area. Swings at the play area have been cleaned and there are plans to install pigeon deterrents to stop the swings being covered in pigeon excrement.
- Mick and Mandy Peake have placed mesh on the pedestrian gate at the play area to deter animals from entering the fenced area and the large gate is also to have mesh added.
- Peter Garnett has repaired the bolt on the pedestrian gate at the play area.
- It was noted that the recently installed dog waste bin at Field Lane is now being emptied.
- Further enquiries will be made regarding the possibility of reducing the 40mph speed limit along Low Road to 30mph now there are additional dwellings along the road.

5. Reports

5.1 Chairman's Report

- Weedkiller has been used to kill the stumps of the trees cut down in "the pond". It was however felt vegetation is continuing to grow and another dose of weedkiller may be needed.
- Initial enquiries regarding obtaining soil to fill in the pond proved to be too expensive to proceed but further investigation will be made by Ian Mack. David Llewellyn will also approach British Sugar again to see if any soil can be obtained for the infill.
- It was reported the batteries for the SAM sign appear to discharge in a very short period of time and the company who supplied the machine will be contacted for advice.
- The Parish Council website is to be re-vamped after migration to a new server. The website is a community asset and other organisations such as the Church could be offered space on the new site which should be live by the next Parish Council meeting. A deposit of £125 has been paid for the website move, with another £125 to pay on delivery of the project.
- Information has been requested relating to the possible provision of allotments in the parish. However, it was noted that cost has previously ruled out the provision of allotments.
- It will be an agenda item at a future meeting to consider continuing the lease for the land where the play equipment is sited.
- It was requested that it should be an agenda item for the next meeting to consider possible options for weight restriction signage on Low Road, as heavy vehicles are still causing problems through the village.

5.2 Clerk's Report

Correspondence received:

- NCF Funding News
- Hedgerow Replacement Notice – A request will be made for the hedge which is to be replaced to be planted to aid visibility for vehicles exiting Field Lane.
- Property name notification – 14 Low Road, Wretton – The Sheiling
- CPRE 2019 Rural Housing Conference 06.09.19
- Highway Rangers visiting the parish this month
- Norfolk Association of Local Councils Bulletin 12.06.19
- Norfolk County Council Parish Partnership Scheme 2019

5.3 Risk Assessment Update

Noted under item 4 that suggested work has been undertaken in the play area but the teen shelter may need floorboards replacing. Posts of the teen shelter will also continue to be monitored as the wood is beginning to decay.

6. Accounts were presented and accepted for payment.

Cheques for approval of payment

Clerk's salary	£118.44
K & M Lighting Services x2 (streetlight maintenance)	£35.04
Web hosting	£125.00
CGM grass cutting	£156.00
CGM cutting of footpaths	£144.00
Photocopying	£6.70

Finance – @ 31st May 2019:

Community Account	£7402.55
Business Premium Account	£3460.74

7. Street Lighting Maintenance Contract

It was resolved to accept the three-year street lighting contract as presented from the current contractor.

8. Planning Applications:

Amendment - Construction of two dwellings 7 garages at Plot 4 Low Road, Wretton 19/00194/F. The application has been amended to one single dwelling on the plot rather than two and the principle of this has already been established.

9. Dates of future Parish Council meetings

Consideration was given to changing the day of the week when Parish Council meetings are held. However, it was decided to remain with meetings to be held on a Monday evening, though it is to be noted that the next Parish Council meeting will be held on August 27th which is a Tuesday.

It was suggested a reference should be posted in "The Pump" to link with the Parish Council website where Council minutes are uploaded once compiled.

10. Other Reports – for information only:

- It is thought the left-hand bend sign on the left hand side of the Low Road travelling from Stoke Ferry is missing with only the post in place.
- It was suggested that the Parish Council ask Highways for information as to how the Norfolk County Councillor's Highways members allowance can be used and whether any of this money could be spent to help alleviate drainage issues in the parish.
- County Councillor Martin Storey suggested contacting Borough Council planning to ask for a copy of the planning training information recently given to Borough Councillors.
- Martin Storey reported that cuts are still to take place at the County Council and that money is tight which is impacting on social care.

Chairman's Signature..... Date.....