

on the main approach roads to the village and bollards along the footpath.

Long Marston experience similar road safety issues to Welford. They are also in the process of developing a road safety scheme with WCC Officers. Amongst other things, this includes chicanes with low level lighting (designs are currently being discussed) if approved developer S106 funds will be used.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Perteghella and Cllr Brain for organising a very useful and well attended meeting.

Extension to parking layby at Cress Hill - WCC are looking at it, if approved, funding would need to be sought.

The question of reducing the speed limit of the open road between Welford Long Marston from 50 to 40mph was raised. Cllr Brain confirmed that it has been looked at previously and the Police were not in support. There were also concerns raised by the Parish Council that it could stretch the village envelope considerably, increasing urbanisation of open countryside.

Cllr Barnes reported:

Stratford District Council Cabinet are meeting on 8th July to review 5yr land supply across the district. Reserve sites have been identified across the villages should there not be sufficient land supply. Cllr Barnes shared a map of the Welford Reserve Sites, there are 3/4 amber sites where development could be supported if there is a lack of land supply. There is a risk of reserve sites being needed as sites such as the 900 planned homes at Shottery are not built. Cllr Barnes kindly offered to de-brief the Parish Council after the Cabinet meeting (to take place on 23rd July Planning Committee Meeting)

SDC have refused the Gladman application on Milcote Rd. However, their reasons for refusal are not aligned with those put forward by Cllr Barnes and the Parish Council. SDC consider the site sustainable, the Parish Council disagree (discrepancies between distances measured and where the measurement taken from ie school / shop). The Parish Council are taking independent planning advice on the matter. This is identified as an amber Reserved Site

Station at Long Marston – At the Cabinet meeting on the 8th July, Cllr Barnes will put forward again a Motion for a feasibility study for a rail link to Long Marston.

Thornette Cottage – Cllr Barnes continues to work with the residents, Planning Office and Parish Council to agree a way forward to prevent further deterioration of this listed building.

6.	Planning		
	6.1 Report of Planning Notices received from Stratford DC		
	REFERENCE	ADDRESS - PROPOSAL	SDC DECISION
	19/00913/FUL	Applegate House Binton Road - Formation of Vehicular Access	Permission with conditions
	18/03705/OUT	Land North of Milcote Road - Outline planning application for the erection of up to 35 dwellings with public open space, landscaping and sustainable drainage system and vehicular access point from Milcote Road. All matters reserved except for means of access.	Refused
	19/01124/FUL	Bluebells Binton Road - Removal of flat roofed conservatory and erection of single storey extension to rear. The garage will also be converted with the addition of a pitch roof.	Permission with conditions
	19/00634/FUL	The Spinney, Church St - Installation of timber front entrance gates and rear garden pergola structures (retrospective)	Refused
	6.2 Report of Planning Applications Previously Considered		
	REFERENCE	ADDRESS - PROPOSAL	PC SUBMISSION
	19/01363/FUL	Weston House, Milcote Road Detailed planning application for the demolition of existing house and erection of 8 detached dwellings and 1 bungalow	Object
	6.3 Consideration of Planning Applications received from Stratford District Council		
	REFERENCE	ADDRESS - PROPOSAL	PC SUBMISSION
	19/01411/FUL	Greenbank Cottage Church Street - Installation of 1.8m feather boarded fence and gate	Object*
	19/01411/FUL	Low Thatch, High St - Replacement dormer and two other windows	Support *
	19/01732/LBC	Low Thatch, High St - Replacement dormer and two other windows	Support *
	19/01411/FUL	Maple House Chapel Street - T1 maple: thin crown by 20-25% and remove deadwood. -T2 cherry: reduce height by 2.5m and reshape. -T3 Lawson cypress x2: reduce height by 2.5m and reshape to leave conical shape. -T4 cherry: reduce height by 2.5m	Support **
	19/01411/FUL	Rowan House Church St - Birch Tree - Fell	Support **
	*subject to LBC / CO officer comments		
**subject to Tree Officer comments			

The Parish Council are also looking into repairing / up-grading some of the dog poo bins. Cllr Kennedy is also looking into a project with local children to distribute Poo bag dispensers at key points throughout the village.

A contractor has been appointed to carry out necessary maintenance work to the playground and two village benches in the next two weeks. Quotes to refurbish / replace the Parish Council notice board have been sought.

The Parish Council have a statutory duty to protect and safeguard biodiversity within the village. To that end the Parish Council would like to define a Biodiversity Plan for Welford. Cllr Kennedy is looking into what currently exists at a Village, District and County level with a view to either adopting an existing policy or creating our own.

Cllr Kennedy is exploring the idea of Hedgehog signs for key roads in the village.

Further to the planning application for Weston House, the Parish Council are working to establish whether there are grounds to have the building registered as a heritage asset.

Cllr Barbour

Cress Hill – there is a planning meeting arranged with an ecologist to understand what can be done to help promote biodiversity at this site. There are 3 trees by river that are at risk of falling, they need to be felled imminently.

Footpaths – Welford received a WCC grant of £750, this will be used to improve the footpath between Duck Lane and Weston. Cllr Barbour will be meeting with our contractor this week to look at footpath surface dressings in the village to plan and prioritise the work to be conducted in the autumn.

Cllr Williams

The Parish Council is working with the local school to understand how we can support the 'Safer Routes to School' and 'Mode Shift Stars' Travel Planning for Education initiatives. Potential grant funding to help with this work is being investigated. They would like to recruit Junior Travel Ambassadors from the local community to help with this work and promote the road safety messages.

With the help of all the Councillors, Cllr Williams has prepared an up-date article for Welford Matters with details of all on-going Parish Council projects.

The question of using social media for Parish Council communication was discussed. It was agreed that further research and discussion is needed to establish how and when this could be used and managed, how it would link with the Parish Council website and other village social media forums such as Welford Families Facebook page and the new Welford Matters Facebook and Instagram sites. Other Parish Councils currently using social media will also be consulted.

	<p><u>Cllr Perteghella</u></p> <p>Cllr Perteghella has now been fully de-briefed on previous Parish Council involvement in traffic and road safety issues in the village, including the WCC traffic funding process. Now that we have evidence of speeding issues in our village (with thanks to the Community Speed Watch team) and have identified with the support of Cllr Brain and WCC Highways, some potential solutions, we are in a good position to make an application at the next round of funding.</p> <p>As detailed in Cllr Brain's report there was a very productive meeting in June between the Parish Council the WCC Highways team. The Parish Council wishes to thank Cllr Brain for his support and for arranging this meeting. Several potential solutions were identified and are being further explored, varied solutions will be required throughout the village depending on the location (coloured polymer overlay strips, visual narrowing of road, improved gateway signs, chicanes, bollards). Cllr Perteghella and Cllr Carter will be making an assessment of specific sites for these solutions and will report back to WCC. This important discussion will continue at the next full Parish Council in August, with a view to setting up another workshop in September to discuss funding and implementation in more detail.</p> <p>The Parish Council have been added to the Warwickshire Police - Alcester South Safe Neighbourhood Team distribution list in order that we are kept up to date with policing priorities and funding.</p>
9.	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>9.1 Traffic – as above (Cllr Perteghella)</p> <p>9.2 Review of WPC Policies & Procedures (AS) Over the coming months the Parish Council will be conducting a review of its Statutory Policies and Procedures to ensure that it remains current and compliant with district and national guidelines.</p> <p>9.3 Parish Biodiversity Plan – as above (Cllr Kennedy)</p>
10.	<p>Dates of Future Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 23rd July Planning Committee Meeting • 6th Aug Parish Council Meeting

Meeting closed at: 9.20pm