Welford-on-Avon Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 5th Nov 2019 at 7:15 p.m. Memorial Hall, Welford-on-Avon

Present: Cllr S Carter, Cllr J Hockaday, Cllr C Barbour, Cllr M Lake, Cllr N Kennedy, Cllr M Perteghella, Cllr K Williams, Clerk Mrs A Street

In attendance: District Councillor P Barnes, County Councillor M Brain

Public: 6

Public Participation: Keith Rowden, Debbie Jones

In-depth discussion regarding on-going surface water drainage problems at the junction of Binton Rd and Willow Bank. Debbie Jones (Flood Action Group) kindly joined the meeting to share the latest information from her on-site meetings with Severn Trent Water and WCC Highways. Debbie also shared video footage of a blockage in the pipes which could be causing the issue. County Councillor Mike Brain agreed to have a drainage survey conducted and for a jetter to attend to try and clear the system. Flood and Ice Warning signs will be installed immediately.

Item			
1.	Apologies None		
2.	Declarations of Interest Cllr Williams (The Almonds Planning Application)		
3.	Approval of MinutesThe minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting of 1 st Oct 2019 andsigned by the Chairman.Proposed Cllr HockadaySeconded Cllr Barbour		
4.	Matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda: None		
5.	County Councillor's Report Cllr Brain took the opportunity to apologise to Welford residents on behalf of the County Council for the disruption caused in recent weeks by the on-going roadworks and diversions. District Councillor's Report		
	Green Waste Consultation Due to government cuts, SDC need to save £1mn over the next 3yrs. One area they are looking at to make savings is Green Waste Collection. Unlike food and general waste collection, Green Waste collection is not a statutory service. SDC currently offer this service free of charge. The Parish Council have been consulted regarding a proposal to charge for this service.		

	 Orchard Nurseries, Duck Lane Planning Application Planning application for 9 houses was approved at Committee (Parish Council objected to the proposal as they believe it goes against the Neighbourhood Development Plan). The approval was conditioned with an Affordable Housing contribution. Cllr Barnes is trying to get a cycle way installed along the side of the development site. ACTION – Clerk to confirm details of Affordable Housing contribution with SDC. 						
	Avon View, Duc ACTION – Clerk development.	hy Homes to confirm arrangements for conditioned	footpath through this				
	Long Marston Rail Site Planning application for development of 800 houses next to Viva Rail at Long Marston was objected to as it is adjacent to an industrial / employment centre. However, Viva Rail have announced that they are moving, which means the housing development could be reconsidered. A development of this size would put significant pressure on Welford's road / traffic situation. Trying to find a new business tenant for the Viva Rail site.						
6.	Planning 6.1 Report of Planning Notices received from Stratford DC						
	REFERENCE	ADDRESS – PROPOSAL	SDC DECISION				
	<u>19/00804/VARY</u>	Land Adjacent To Church Bank Binton Rd - Variation of Condition 2 of planning permission 18/00892/VARY.	Variation Permitted with Conditions				
	<u>19/02206/VARY</u>	Apple Grove, Binton Rd - Variation of Conditions 2 and 13 of planning permission 18/01448/FUL	Variation Permitted with Conditions				
	<u>19/02160/VARY</u>	Mere Barn Farm Milcote Rd - Conditions 2&6 of 15/02731/FUL. Work completed with variation from the approved drawings.	Variation Permitted with Conditions				
	<u>19/02439/TREE</u>	Ash Cottage High St -T1 conifer (Juniper)- Remove.	Consent with Conditions				
	<u>19/01670/LBC</u>	Manor Barn, Duck Lane - Change of use, conversion, alterations and improvements to agricultural barn to create two dwellings at Manor Farm (amendment to Listed Building Consent ref. 18/01523/LBC).	Listed building consent approved				
	<u>19/02553/TREE</u>	Chestnut Cottage, Church LaneT1 Acer - FellT2 Acer - FellT3 Acer - Fell	Consent with Conditions				
	<u>19/01960/FUL</u>	2 Rivermeade, Barton Rd - Erection of single storey extension and detach garage.	Permission with conditions				
	<u>19/02171/FUL</u>	Fernbank, Boat Lane - 2 storey rear extension, demolition of existing shed and	Permission with conditions				
		erection of new shed in rear garden, rebuilding of chimneys and new windows.					

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<u>19/02180/LDP</u>	Avon Bridge, Binton Rd - Proposed storey side extensions and decking to		awful Dev. Permitte			
<u>19/02649/FUL</u>	Norway House, Binton Rd - Convers out-building to ancillary accommodation		ermission with onditions			
6.2 Report of PI	anning Applications Previously	Consider	red			
REFERENCE	ADDRESS – PROPOSAL	Р	C RESPONSE			
<u>19/00324/FUL</u>	Thorn And Thornette Cottages High Amendment Received to elevations ar plans of sheds / outbuildings and oil ta	nd floor	aintain Support *			
<u>19/01363/FUL</u> Withdrawn	Weston House Milcote Road - Revis plans and comments presented to Par Council.	rish co	ne PC still have oncerns with revised oposal.			
6.3 Consideration	on of Planning Applications rec	eived fror	n Stratford			
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<u>19/02765/FUL</u>	The Almonds, Duck Lane – partial ex render to front and rear replacing pres brick and tile finish.		UPPORT			
<u>19/02900/TREE</u>	Apple Trees, High St - T1 - prunus - I - buddleia - Fell T3 - lilac - Fell	Fell T2 SI	UPPORT **			
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Limebridge - mowing Synder	£353.10	£70.62	£423.72	21
Limebridge - PROW				
Maintenance	£469.00	£93.80	£562.80	25
Limebridge - mowing				
Churchyard	£296.13	£59.23	£355.36	23
Limebridge - mowing village	£189.52	£37.90	£227.42	22
Limebridge - mowing Synder	£353.10	£70.62	£423.72	21
GritBins.net	£134.63	£26.93	£161.56	27
WALC - Clerk Training	£15.00	£0.00	£15.00	19
TOTAL	£2,757.28	£458.59	£3,215.87	

 Receipts
 £1,689.97

 Net Total
 - £1,525.90

 Transfer
 £ 3,250 to cover Nov bills

Proposed Cllr Barbour

Seconded Cllr Hockaday

7.2 Any other finance matters

ACTION – Clerk to contact Limebridge to request that they inform the PC when they do cuts (3 times a year)

Additional approved expenses to add to budget: Footpath dressing works - £3000 Memorial Hall Projector Contribution - £800 Deer Signs Welford Hill - £500 Steps Cress Hill repairs - £1700 Notice Board - £2000 Trees to be felled at Cress Hill - £300 Welford Matters – annual contribution £500 New Dog Bin - £350, £1100 / year maintenance Village Gateways contribution – tbc

2020 Budget and Precept to be agreed and approved in January 2020. **ACTION** – Cllrs to prepare work plans and respective budgets for their areas of responsibility to submit at the next Parish Council Meeting in December.

Welford Sports Club – plans have been developed for a new sports pavilion at Synder Meadow. The Sports Club are preparing package to make a planning application.

Opportunities for Sports England Grant Funding to be explored. **ACTION** – SC to request Sports Club to share current plans with the PC.

CIL Payments should made in April & October each year. WPC have not received any payments for this year.

ACTION – Clerk and Cllr Lake to draw up schedule of expected CIL / S106 payments.

8. **Projects Updates from Councilors**

Cllr Perteghella

Meeting 26th Nov with WCC to agree speed calming measures and funding.

Village Gateways – there is evidence to show that well maintained village gateways can reduce traffic speeds. There is also an important amenity value as well as biodiversity benefits.

Estimated costs - £3000 per entrance (Barton Rd & Long Marston Rd). WCC will remove old gateways in the Long Marston entrance as the 30mph zone was moved by CC to accommodate new developments on the outskirts of the village.

Gateways design is agreed – white wood effect plastic, hollow for safety.

It was agreed that gateways are not needed at the Binton Rd entrance (keep current Welford signs). Something on the edge of the built-up boundary by Synder Meadow will be considered as a next phase.

Police Commissioners Road Safety Fund – applications for grant funding to support speed calming measures can be made next May. **ACTION** - Cllr Perteghella to investigate.

Cllr Perteghella would like to arrange a Road Safety Event in the village in the New year.

Cllr Kennedy

New Grit Bin, corner of Millers Close ready to be installed, pending WCC.

Dog bins – an application was made for grant funding for an additional dog poo bin. Awaiting confirmation of whether we were successful.

Millennium Site Bin – the Trust have bought a replacement bin to be installed shortly.

PC Notice Board – it was agreed that Cllr Kennedy should order a new aluminium Notice Board for Bell Green (£2000) as the current board has warped and no longer locks.

Cllr Hockaday

Cllr Hockaday made an observation regarding the Capex Projects that each Councillor is responsible for. The Councillors all agreed that during their time in office, they are committed to making positive improvements to the village. This often comes at a cost, which needs to be balanced against Parish Council Reserves, Precept Income and agreed Budgets. However, when putting forward capex project proposals for 2020, the primary aim should be to establish a solid plan of actionable improvements that can be implemented in

the short and longer term. It is important that the Parish Council has a broad / longer term plan of what is important for the parishioners of our village. Once the plan is agreed, the Parish Council will be better able to take advantage of external funding opportunities as they arise. This plan should cover all areas (eg Road Safety, Public Open Spaces, Sports and Community Facilites). Councillors should star with the Welford Neighbourhood Development Plan and build on there.
ACTION - Each Cllr to prepare a plan for their area to be shared at the December PC meeting. The budget and Precept request associated to these plans needs to be submitted in January. Any working plans can be sent to Cllr Lake and the Clerk prior to this date.
Also need to ensure that the PC is taking full advantage of all grant funding opportunities, incl CIL and S106. ACTION – Clerk and Cllr Lake to prepare a schedule of expected S106 and CIL monies.
<u>Cllr Barbour</u>
Redressing of Pathway from Weston to Welford and from the Churchyard Extension to the High Street should be completed by the end of the year.
The pathway from The Bell to Duck Lane will be looked at next year, pending costs / budget.
ACTION – Clerk to send Cllr Barbour details of new company that has approached the PC for contracting opportunities.
<u>Cllr Williams</u>
<u>Remembrance Services</u> Thanks to Cllr Hockaday who will be representing the Parish Council at St Peters Church Memorial service on Sunday 10 th Nov.
Parish Council Remembrance Service – Mon 11 th Nov. Plans in place and all
on track. ACTION – Cllr Williams to discuss with the Memorial Hall Committee having a permanent memorial plaque made for the Hall.
School Liaison Cllr Williams to speak to Police about driving and parking issues on Headland Rd and surrounding streets at school pick up/ drop-off times. (Parking on zig zags outside or opposite school entrance and parking across residents' driveways).
Any Other Business:
SDC GREEN WASTE SERVICE CONSULTATION

	"Stratford-on-Avon District Council is proposing to introduce a chargeable garden waste service from 1 June 2020. The annual charge for the service will be £40.00 per wheeled bin or equivalent sacks."
	This proposal was put forward to Welford on Avon Parish Council during the meeting on 5th Nov. The Parish Council voted unanimously against the proposal, on the following grounds:
	- The proposal to charge for green waste collection is completely at odds with the Climate Emergency declared by SDC in July of this year. A focus on reducing black bin usage and improved recycling practices would be more beneficial and better aligned with the aims of the Climate Emergency plans.
	 Charging for green waste collection will encourage those not prepared to pay to: drive to the tip individually to dispose of green waste (increased road traffic / pollution)
	- put green waste in other bins (black bins)
	 dump / fly tipping of green waste put green waste in green bins owned by those that have opted into the scheme
	<u>CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING</u> – All members of the Parish Council attended Code of Conduct training session designed by Stratford District Council for Parish Councils. The Code of Conduct adopted by Welford on Avon Parish Council last year can be found on the Parish Council website.
	Parish Council and Planning Committee Meeting Dates for 2020 were agreed. All meetings are open to the public, forthcoming dates can be seen on the Parish Council Website Calendar. ACTION – Clerk to book meeting rooms and post dates on PC website.
	The Parish Council note that the new School Nursery and Hall are almost finished and look forward to being given a tour of the new buildings shortly.
	The Parish Council unanimously authorised a contribution of £800 to the Memorial Hall towards the new projector and sound system. ACTION – Clerk to make payment and contact SDC with regard to possible grant support (Photo)
	A new Community Grant Fund has been opened for WALC Members – PC to consider applying for contribution towards the village Gateways. ACTION – Clerk to share details with Cllr Perteghella
10.	 Dates of Future Meetings 19th Nov Planning Committee Meeting 3rd Dec Parish Council Meeting
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Meeting closed at: 9.50pm