Welford-on-Avon Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 7th Sept 2021 at 7:15 p.m.

Present: Cllr J Hockaday, Cllr M Lake, Cllr N Kennedy, Cllr N Appleton, Cllr D Jones

In attendance: County Councillor D Pemberton, District Councillor M Perteghella

Public: 1

Public Participation:

A resident attended to raise the issue of the state of the public footpath on the Long Marston Rd entrance into the village. The section between Barton Rd and Milcote Rd is considered unsafe and noncompliant with current standards. It is a popular footpath used by residents young and old, including many in the new developments at the southern end of the village. The resident requests maximum pressure from our County Councillor to have this path resurfaced as a matter of urgency.

Action:

- Cllr Pemberton (and PC member) to meet with Highways Officers on 17th Sept for a village tour, including Long Marston Rd, to assess priorities for the next 12months.
- Clerk to send Cllr Pemberton details of the planning applications for developments at the southern end of the village, to confirm any unused S106 contributions.

Item					
1.	Acceptance of Apologies - Cllr S Carter, Clerk Mrs A Street				
2.	Declarations of Interest – None				
3.	Approval of Minutes – The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting of 3rd Aug 2021 and signed by the Chairman. Proposed – Cllr N Kennedy Seconded – Cllr M Lake				
4.	Matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda – None				
5.	County Councillor's Report Cllr Pemberton's written report received with thanks and circulated to the PC.				
	Clir Pemberton reported:				
	Afghan Refugees, the County has taken approximately 100 refugees on a temporary basis. It is anticipated that a number of these families will remain in Warwickshire.				
	Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership Consultation on strategy up to 2030 – closes 15 th Sept. Feedback is encouraged, for more information see the link below https://warksroadsafety.org/				
	Waste and Recycling Centre – WCC will continue to run a booking system, but the offering will be improved with more slots available and same day booking possible.				
	Bidford Bridge – Assessment work will begin 20 th Sept. A decision will then be taken as to whether the bridge needs to be closed during repair work.				
	Highways works – a Welford & Weston 'tour' with Highways Officers to identify what required works over the next 12months. The Parish Council requested up-dates on the granite setts around the grass verge opposite the Church and additional 30mph repeater signs on the Milcote Road.				

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District Councillor's Report -

Cllr Perteghella's written report received with thanks and circulated to the PC.

Cllr Perteghella reported:

CIL Infrastructure Funding List – unfortunately the 2 Welford projects (Path to Cress Hill and New Pavilion at Synder Meadow) were not allocated any funding in this round. The Sports Pavilion project in particular scored very highly in terms of priority and will be put forward again in the next round in Spring 2022.

Proposed Merger of Stratford and Warwick District Councils – a public consultation is being launched this week on this important topic. The deadline for submission is 24th October. Public are encouraged to share their views. The Parish Council will also publish a formal response. Full details can be found on the website: www.southwarwickshire.org.uk

Local Government Electoral Boundary Review – the Government Boundary Commission has now published its draft recommendations and are inviting comments. Consultation closes 8th Nov. In their proposals, Welford ward has been split in two, with Welford, Dorsington, Luddington, Weston and Binton in the Ward of Welford on Avon and the new ward of Long Martson containing Long Marston, Meon Vale, Clifford Chambers and Milcote. Residents can comment here: https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/have-your-say/24993

Planning:

<u>Duchy Homes</u> – revised Landscape plans were refused and remedial work has not been conducted. The matter has now been referred to Planning Enforcement.

<u>Weston House</u> – amendments have been submitted, Cllr Perteghella and the Parish Council have resubmitted objections. A Planning Committee site visit has been requested in the event that the application is referred to Committee.

<u>Land off North Millers Close</u> – will be considered at Planning Committee on 29th Sept. A Committee site visit has been agreed to.

<u>Councillors Surgery</u> - Cllr Perteghella will be holding a surgery for residents outside the Memorial Hall on Wed 22nd Sept.

Closed Permissive Path Synder Meadow to Boat Lane – it was agreed that the Parish Council would contact the sheep farmer to see if the path can be kept open on the basis of dogs being on leads and new signage.

6. **Planning**

6.1 Report of Planning Notices received from Stratford DC

REFERENCE	ADDRESS – PROPOSAL	SDC DECISION	
21/02149/TREE	The Mill, Mill Lane - G1, conifers - Reduce approx.	Consent with	
	2.5m -T2 willow – Reduce top by 2m and sides by	Conditions	
	2.5m to balanceT3 conifer - Reduce top by 2.5m		
	and sides by 1.5m.		
21/01019/FUL	The Hollies, High St - Proposed 1200L Heating Oil	Permission with	
	Tank	Conditions	
21/02254/TREE	Oak Tree House, High St - T2 oak: 2m crown	Consent with	
	reduction to reduce weight on main trunk (decay).	Conditions	
21/01555/FUL	Braeside, Binton Road - Alterations, including	Permission with	

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	enclosing existing garage and erection of pitched roof	Conditions	
20/02745/OUT	Airfield House, Campden Road Lower Quinton -	Outline Permitted	
	Outline application for up to 60 dwellings with all		
	matters reserved except access.		
6.2 Report of P	lanning Applications Previously Considere	ed	
REFERENCE	ADDRESS – PROPOSAL	PC RESPONSE	
21/01581/FUL	Comptons House High St - Installation of three manually operated telescopic security bollards	SUPPORT *	
21/02449/FUL	Welford Hill House Long Marston Rd - Single storey side extension	SUPPORT	
21/01195/OUT	Land North Of, Millers Close - Outline application for up to 10 self-build/custom-build dwellings. Amendment: amended plans and documents including: Design & Access Statement, Design Code, Plot Layout Plan, Parameters Plan, Illustrative Layout.	OBJECT	
21/01130/FUL	Weston House, Milcote Rd - Construction of 4 dwellings and alterations to existing retained dwelling. Amendment: Revised plans including amendments to layout, design of dwellings, associated garaging, and landscaping. Updated climate change checklist, tree, bat and transport statements and addendum to Planning Statement.	OBJECT	

6.3 Consideration of Planning Applications received from Stratford District Council

REFERENCE	ADDRESS – PROPOSAL	PC RESPONSE
21/02328/LBC	Box Tree Cottage, Church Lane - Interior and Exterior Alterations	SUPPORT*
21/02658/FUL	1 Chapel Row, Chapel St - Replacement front windows	SUPPORT*
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21/02701/TREE	Maple House Chapel St - T1 maple: Reduce height from 11m to 9m. North side: reduce upper section by 2m, south side reduce crown by 1.5m to balance.	SUPPORT
21/02746/TREE	Grafton House Church Street - -T1 ash - Reduce by 5metres.	Await feedback from PC Tree Warden

^{*} subject to LBC Officer comments

6.4 Enforcement Issues

Thorne & Thornette Cottage – SDC decision to close this enforcement case has been referred to the regulatory committee in October.

6.5 Other Planning Matters

Advertising signage at junction of Evesham Road (B439) and Binton Rd – PC reported resident complaints regarding growing number of advertisement signs being unsafe and unsightly at this busy junction. Awaiting response from SDC Planning Dept.

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7. Finance

7.1 Approval of items requiring payment

Item	Base	VAT	Total	Bdgt.
Clerk Salary	£486.20	£0.00	£486.20	7
Clerks Phone O2 (paid by DD)	£10.14	£2.03	£12.17	8
PIRMS Playground Inspection	£71.00	£0.00	£71.00	26
Limebridge - mowing Synder Meadow	£395.00	£79.00	£474.00	21
Limebridge - mowing Village Greens	£212.00	£42.40	£254.40	22
Limebridge - mowing Churchyard	£330.00	£66.00	£396.00	23
Donation Millennium Trust - monthly	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00	15
	£1,604.34	£189.43	£1,793.77	

Receipts - none

Transfer - £1,800

Proposed – Cllr M Lake Seconded – Cllr N Kennedy

7.2 Any Other Finance Matters

Meon Vale Food Bank – The Parish Council did not come to agreement on the amount of financial contribution to be made. The decision to make a contribution from the PC precept was challenged. However, it was already resolved at a previous meeting that a financial contribution would be made, what has not yet been agreed is how much.

8. **Project Updates from Councillors**

Greenshoots Climate Change Award - £1500 for trees and wildflower grass seed. Trees to be planted Oct/ Nov. Cllr Kennedy to contact WPC Maintenance Contractor for preparation of ground for trees.

\$106 Contribution (Purbeck) for Playground Equipment – meeting with school next week. £10,600 previously received

\$106 Contribution (Milcote Rd) for Youth / Adult sports facilities at Synder Meadow, to be used for community football goals. £5,300 previously received.

Village Gateways – This weekend, PC members to install new gateways on the Long Marston Road entrance to the village.

Avon Valley Path – path to Bidford Grange Lock not cleared. Clerk to follow-up with Maintenance Contractor.

9. Review Previous Actions

10. Any Other Business –

CIL Infrastructure Funding List - unfortunately the 2 Welford projects (Path to Cress Hill and New Pavilion at Synder Meadow) were not allocated any funding in this round. The Sports Pavilion project in particular scored very highly in terms of priority and will be put forward again in the next round in Spring 2022.

In the meantime, the PC will continue to work with the Sports Club and District Councillor to progress the project and explore other funding opportunities.

11. Dates of Future Meetings

- 21st Sept 2021 Planning Committee Meeting, Memorial Hall.
- 5th Oct 2021 Full Parish Council Meeting, Memorial Hall

Meeting closed at: 9.13pm