### Welford-on-Avon Parish Council

# Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 7:15 p.m.

Present: Cllr S Carter, Cllr N Appleton, Cllr D Jones, Cllr M Stanley, Cllr M Lake, Cllr J Hockaday

In attendance: Clerk - Mrs I Wibberley, District Councillor M Perteghella

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**Public Participation:** Dereck Tribe gave a brief presentation about the Millenium Trust and requested an increase in contribution from £100/mth to £120/mth. This was to reflect the inflation since the contribution was set. He highlighted the need to keep reserves (currently £5k) and noted that since October 2022 the Millenium Trust had spent £1000 more than their income. In response to councillor questioning he advised that other sources of income were Flogas, Duchy Homes, Severn Trent and Biffa. The increase in expenditure was agreed by a majority of the councillors.

The owner of Glebe Cottage, Keytes Lane presented his concerns about the deterioriation of the gravel driveway outside his property and the pot holes which kept appearing. He had attended a number of meetings with WCC who agreed the road was in a poor condition but nothing further had happened. The Parish Council advised that they had several conversations with WCC about both the gravel and the tarmac along this road. WCC preferred gravel to tarmac (as did the Parish Council) and were considering investigating why the pot holes kept reappearing. MS to pursue getting an update with WCC and will advise the owner. The councillors encouraged reporting on line of faults.

Item		Action	
1.	Acceptance of Apologies - None		
2.	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> – Cllr Hockaday declared an interest in application 23/01179/FUL (his property) and absented himself from the meeting. Cllr Stanley declared an interest in 23/00760/FUL as an affected neighbour.		
3.	Approval of Minutes – The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting of 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2023 and signed by the Chairman, subject to adding Cllr Hockaday as an interested party.  Proposed – Cllr J Hockaday Seconded – Cllr N Appleton		
4.	Matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda		
5.	District Councillors' Report  Cllr Perteghella reported on the local elections held on 4 <sup>th</sup> May when she was reelected. The 49% turnout was the highest of all wards. On 24 <sup>th</sup> May a new Council leader and portfolio holders had been elected. The new leader was Cllr Susan Juned. Cllr Perteghella had been appointed as parish council champion for the district, and would work with WALC to raise awareness of Parish Council issues and act as a point of contact with the District to make sure that parish council issues were appropriately considered. She noted that there might be opportunities for some devolved services and joint training and asked that councillors let her know of any relevant training they might require. She would also be sitting on the		

WCC police & crime panel and noted that speeding traffic and car crime were significant issues.

Three funding schemes were currently open to bids with a deadline date of 14 July. These included the CiL infrastructure funding list which had previously included the Cress Hill project. The clerk to inform SDC that this project was to remain included.

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Residents had raised concerns about the missing Synder Meadow signs. Cllr Jones reported that one was now back in position and the other was awaiting a new post which she was organising.

The Headland Rise footpath was now completely blocked and Cllr Perteghella would be contacting Enforcement again. Cllr Jones reported that HSE had not made any further response following her contact with them.

NA/SC

Councillors noted a recent hedgerow removal alongside the footpath on the development at Duck Lane which would be investigated,

Work on Binton Bridge had been scheduled from mid August to March 2024. The bridge and the road as far as Quinneys Leys would be closed although pedestrian and cycle access would be permitted. Cllr Perteghella was seeking further information.

Cllr Perteghella drew attention to the Trees Call to Action Project which had grants available to support tree planting.

### 6. Planning

The owner of 20 Headland Rise (23/01340/FUL) spoke in support of his application to extend the front of the house. They were looking to include a new bathroom. He discussed the potential impact on the street scheme and neighbours, with whom they had actively engaged. He explained the changes made since his last application and asked councillors for their support.

Cllr Hockaday explained the reasons for his application and gave details of the proposed changes.

### 6.1 Report of Planning Notices received from Stratford DC

Address/Proposal	Reference	Decision Date	SDC Decision
Avondale, Church Street, Welford-on- Avon, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 8EJ - erection of wooden octagonal gazebo in rear garden.	23/00055/FUL	27/04/2023	Granted with conditions
Chalet Binton Road Welford-on-Avon Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 8PR - Erection of two single storey side extensions which also project to the rear, single storey rear extension and detached outbuilding	23/00747/LDP	03/05/2023	Permitted

Chalet Binton Road Welford-on-Avon	23/00752/HHPA	03/05/2023	Prior	
Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 8PR - erection			approval not	
of 3 single storey rear extensions			required	
The Mansard House , Church Street,	23/00901/TREE	04/05/2023	No objection	
Welford-On-Avon, Warwickshire, CV37				
<b>8EJ</b> -G1, x3no. silver birch - reduce by				
approximately a third and shape crowns. The				
trees are currently 8-10metres in height.				
Propose to reduce to 6-7metres in height				
(equal to 2-3metre reduction).				
Welford House, High Street, Welford-on-	23/00858/TREE	17/05/2023	No objection	
Avon, Stratford-upon-Avon, CV37 8EA T1				
oak - Lift crown on southern side, where				
overhanging adjacent property, The Limes,				
by pruning off the three lowest, sub-lateral				
branchesT2 spruce - Fell.				
Macbeth Cottage, Evesham Road, Lower	23/01354/FUL	25/05/2023	Refusal	
Binton, Stratford-Upon-Avon CV37 9TE -				
Formation of new vehicular access and				
provision of associated on-site car parking				
spaces				
Dormer House , Long Marston Road,	23/00510/FUL	26/05/2023	Granted with	
Welford-On-Avon, Warwickshire CV37			conditions	
<b>8EG</b> - proposed rear extensions, rebuilt and				
extended utility, re-roofed garage, partial loft				
conversion with dormer windows,				
replacement rear dormer, removal of rear				
chimney and internal/external alterations.				

# **6.2 Planning Applications Previously Considered (in May)**No Planning Committee was held in May.

6.3 Planning Applications Received From SDC for Consideration at June 2023 Parish Council Meeting

Reference	Cons Expiry Date	<u>Address</u>	<u>Proposal</u>	PC Decision
23/01429/TEL28	08/06/2023	Church Bank Welford- on-Avon CP Stratford- on-Avon Warwickshire CV37 8PS England	Install 2 x 9m wooden telegraph pole	No comment
23/01370/LDP	07/06/2023	Oak Bank Church Street Welford-On- Avon Warwickshire CV37 8EJ	Oak frame canopy porch and resurfacing of front driveway	Object
23/01340/FUL	13/06/2023	20 Headland Rise Welford-On-Avon Warwickshire CV37 8ET	Single storey front extension to create porch and larger bathroom.	Support
23/01179/FUL	08/06/2023	Elm Leys Hunt Hall Lane Welford-On-Avon Warwickshire CV37 8HE	Creation of new vehicular access to Elm Leys; closure of existing access; and change of use of land to garden	Support

23/00231/LBC	13/06/2023	Weston Close Frog Lane Welford-On-Avon Warwickshire CV37 8EQ	AMENDMENT: New staircase position inside building and new external door opening amended. Reopen existing blocked doorway to west elevation, reconfigure ground and first floor layout including removal and installation of new partitions and doors, create new WC and kitchen to ground floor, create new ensuites to first floor, install new staircase between ground and first floor	Support subject to conservation officer	
23/01070/FUL	13/06/2023	The Hollies High Street Welford-on- Avon Stratford-upon- Avon CV37 8EA	Proposed outbuilding to rear for use as home office.	Object	
23/00760/FUL	08/06/2023	Avon Lea, Binton Road, Welford-on- Avon, Stratford-upon- Avon CV37 8PP	AMENDMENT Construction of side two storey extension and rear two storey extension.	Object	

### **6.4 Planning Enforcement**

Cllr Appleton had spoken to the owner of Greenbank requiring the planning requirement for a hedge as set out in the planning permission, and was awaiting their proposal

Cllr Appleton had left a letter for the owners of 8 Chapel Close who had chopped atree down without planning permission as they were not there when he had visited.

Cllr Appleton had requested the owners of The Thatch, Chapel St to carry out works to cut back their hedge which was restricting access along the pavement and they had advised that they had requested a gardener to do the necessary work.

Cllr Appleton reported that the Heras fencing on Mill Lane had now been moved as work on the 2<sup>nd</sup> house had started.

19 Quineys Leys – the fence had been painted and a hedge planted. The Clerk had followed up with Enforcement but not received a reply. The matter was first reported to Enforcement on 31 March and followed up on 22 May. She would make further contact and Cllr Pertgehella would also pursue.

Calthorpe Cottage – a hedge had been removed and replaced with a fence. This was in the Conservation Area, Cllr Appleton would approach the owners rather than contact Enforcement in the first place as the owners were new to the village and may not be fully aware of the restrictions.

	Finance					
	7.1 Approval of items requiri	ng payment	:			
	Item	Base	VAT	Total	Bdgt	
	Clerk Salary	£495.73		£495.73	7	
	Clerks Phone O2 (paid by DD)	£12.39	£2.48	£14.87	8	
	Clerks Phone O2 - additional	£1.46	£0.29	£1.75	8	
	Donation Millennium Trust -					
	monthly	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00	15	
	Bank charges	£8.00	£0.00	£8.00	8	
	Limebridge - churchyard	£368.00	£73.60	£441.60	23	
	Limebridge – Synder Meadow	£440.00	£88.00	£528.00	21	
	Limebridge - Village	£238.00	£47.60	£285.60	22	
	Community First Insurance	£747.79		£747.79	13	
	ICO renewal subscription	£40.00		£40.00	14	
	Greenhatch Group (topographical	64250.00	6350.00	64500.00		
	survey, Synder Meadow)	£1250.00	£250.00	£1500.00		
	MATERIAL CONTROL DESCRIPTION	647.44	CO EO	C20 0C		
	Microsoft 365 subscription	£17.44	£3.52	£20.86	8	
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pitches, tree root protection zones, and the power line. The new cricket square deposit had been paid and work was due to start imminently. Cllr Stanley had circulated a report prior to the meeting. It was noted that the new dog bins had been ordered. The proposed road safety improvements being evaluated would in many instances conflict with the dark skies policy as many cannot be done without illumination. Work was continuing. In response to a question from Cllr Hockaday about the granite setts in Church Street it was noted that these were due to be installed in September. It was agreed that this should be reported in Welford Matters. MS Cllr Jones raised the issue of verge cutting along Headland Road. This is carried out by WCC. Concerns had also been raised by residents about parking on the verge. She felt it would be helpful for the Parish Council to have information to DJ hand about hedge trimming, parking on verges etc which could be provided to residents, and was asked to prepare a draft. Cllr Jones queried whether the Parish Council could take any steps to improve the cycle route to the Greenway. It was noted that there would need to be a policy at District level to support this as the route was across private land. Councillors supported this aspiration. It was noted that AAGP were trying to promote a cycle route to Stratford. The land at entrance to village still appeared to be for sale. The vendors were seeking £40-50k. This might form part of a cycle route. 9. Review Previous Actions - None 10. **Any Other Business** School playing fields update: Beavers/Scouts has been advised that they can use playing fields after 4.30pm. The Allotment Trust has been approached by WCC to lift a covenant to erect a 6ft steel mesh fence instead of the existing wooden fence. They have declined this and the Parish Council will write to WCC to support NA this view. which has a covenant on this. No further response has been heard from the school regarding the playing fields although a response had been promised in January. Cllr Carter would write to the SCschool/WCC again to try to reach an agreement. It was agreed that the governors should also be informed. The Parish Council is unable to spend money on play equipment until an agreement has been reached. NA/IW The developer of Kehlstein will start demolition work on 19 June. Discussions are ongoing regarding the public open space. Cllr Appleton to follow up regarding relevant planning conditions. The Clerk to obtain a copy of the indemnity insurance (public liability) and pass to SC. Cllr Perteghella observed that a resident had commented that the colours on the

Welford sign showing the swans and maypole were incorrect. The maypole was

	depicted in red and white and should be red, white and blue. Councillors would bear this in mind if the signs were repainted.					
11.	Dates of Future Meetings					
	<ul> <li>27<sup>th</sup> June 2023 - Planning Committee Meeting, Memorial Hall</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 – Full Parish Council Meeting, Memorial Hall</li> </ul>					

Meeting closed at 22:12