

Wellow Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of Wellow Parish Council

Monday 16th September 2024, 7.30 at the Memorial Hall Wellow

Present

Cllrs D West, J Ragsdale, G Parkin, E Meyer, M Webster, P Kitson: County Cllr S Carlton, Clerk and one member of the public

- 1 **Declarations of intent to record, film or photograph the meeting by members of the public or the press**
None
- 2 **To receive apologies for absence**
Cllr R Henson, District Cllrs L Tift, C Penny all work related
- 3 **Declarations of members interest in agenda items**
None
- 4 **To approve minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 15th July 2024 and 27th August 2024**
Proposed J Ragsdale, seconded P Kitson , all were in favour
- 5 **Matters arising**
Clerk reported that the replacement Springer seat for the Play Park was due to be delivered next week
- 6 **to receive questions and petitions from members of the public – for information only**
The member of the public offered thanks and credit to all those involved in getting repairs and road improvements through the village
- 7 **Reports from the District and County Councillors**
C.Cllr Carlton reported that whilst a lot of resurfacing had been done in the County there was still continuing. The Solar Farm project is under enquiry at this point. Following the withdrawal of the levelling up funding the A614, Ollerton Roundabout works are on hold; and we are awaiting a response to the petitions and objections sent to Government. More Enforcement action has been taken to overweight HGV's on Eakring Road and consideration is being given to additional signage being installed. Three new Gully cleaners have been purchased to help drainage and reduce flooding. Clearing of Ragwort from the Area will commence shortly
- 8 **Finance**
 - *Payments due Clerks wages, replacement lock for Play Park £4 , rent Memorial Hall £60*
 - *Balance sheet - was circulated Current Acct £3804.50 , Maypole Reserve £8141.19*
 - *Letter signed and Clerk will arrange a bank visit and to add signatories agreed last meeting*
- 9 **Millenium Garden update**
 - *The planning application for the proposed tree works has been sent to NSDC*
 - *The chairman had met with a manager from Greenwood Community Forest , who was also the liaison for the work at the Clay Gardens he advised that a new budget grant will soon be open and work to improve Millenium Garden is something they would be interested in supporting he will be in touch*
 - *Await the decision from the Planning before planting of perennials*

10 Play Park - Report of meeting with NSDC/VIA

NSDC asked for meeting to discuss ensure our ground maintenance were being met and if other services were needed, Parish Council discussed issues with locking the gate and a new lock will be installed.

To note Hedge trimming and overhanging from Millenium Garden on to 40 Maypole Rd

NSDC will send in a quote for cutting back the hedge for consideration.

The Sycamore tree overhanging The Hollies is now within touching distance, it was agreed that a planning application be made to enable us to remove the over hanging branches

ALSO *to be noted that Dog Faeces had been found in the park; clerk to advise residents via Wellow Warbler. Also to follow up order for new Dog Exclusion Notices.*

Painting to be resumed - it was suggested that we consider using the probation service to help with this work rather than it falling to volunteer Cllrs. This was rejected, due to a previous bad experience

11 Planning Applications - None at time of writing

*24/01386/S73 Amendment to number of permanent pitches to 3 land off Newark Rd
After consideration No Comment*

12 Gorge Dyke – consider report from Working group and recommendations

Cllr West gave report from the working group the recommendations are as follows

- To put a staggered chicane in the Dyke at the Millenium Garden to slow debris and catch larger branches*
- Contact residents to remind them of Riparian responsibility*
- The grill near the school is currently okay*
- The grill near Cuckstool gully needs flushing*
- Suggestion to report of Key Areas is prepared prior to each Parish Council meeting All in favour*

Miss Laughton has agreed to join the working party who will prepare this report

13 Engagement with other Local Parish Councils – to discuss benefits of best practice, Community engagement

Cllr Webster who presented this agenda item lead the discussion; it was agreed that there were benefits of net working with other small local councils e.g. funding, websites, the Council look into this further.

Initially a Community Engagement Strategy would be draw up for the next meeting. Cllr Webster volunteered to prepare this and liaise with the clerk

14 Consider starting a Suggestions Scheme as a way to involve villagers with decisions (noting Village Plan was previous way of community engagement and its low response

To be discussed next meeting

15 Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance – following contact from the charity consider hosting a talk and a fund-raising event

- Agreed that clerk should contact Events Committee

16 to note correspondence received by email

Duly noted

17 Time and date next meeting

18th November 2024 7.30 at Maypole Court

Meeting closed 9.05

