

# Wellow Parish Council

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## Minutes of Meeting of Wellow Parish Council

Monday 21<sup>th</sup> July 2025 , 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall Wellow

Present Cllrs D West, M Webster, J Ragsdale, R Henson, E Meyer, County Cllr J Gamble

13 members 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**

*D Cllr L Tift sent apologies for health reasons*

**3 Declarations of members interest in agenda items**

*Cllr West item 16*

**4 To approve minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2025 and 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

*Proposed Cllr J Ragsdale seconded Cllr E Meyer All in favour*

**5 To receive questions and petitions from members of the public – for information only**

*A member of the public addressed his concerns to C Cllr J Gamble regarding use Facebook; there were no questions or petitions to Wellow Parish Council*

**6 To consider application for Casual Vacancy and vote on co option**

*The resident concerned was unable to come to this meeting for family reasons so this item will to carried forward to September meeting*

**7 Reports from the District and County Councillors**

*C Cllr Gamble reported that following the last meeting he has met with several residents who welcomed him into their homes who expressed concerns over speeding, around the school, and Eaking approach asking if speed watch and 30mph could be adopted.*

*He attended the Toft Holders meeting. The National Gardens scheme is looking for others in the village to join.*

*C.Cllr Gamble addressed the Facebook issue at item 5 with resident*

*Regarding the A1 diversion C Cllr Gamble stated that he has asked if a risk assessment had been made prior to diversion and is awaiting response*

**8 Finance**

- **Payments due** - **Clerks wages, Maypole Maintenance cost £1301.22 including VAT**

*Payments agreed*

- **Balance sheet** - **Current account , Maypole Reserve Fund acct,**

*Current account balance £5112.03 Maypole Acct £7438.41 at 10/7/25*

- **Clerks report** - *The balance sheets and Bank statements were reviewed by Cllrs.*

*The clerk presented the first quarter variance report which shows we are on Track.*

**9 Planning Applications - to note Solar Farm application approved**

***Duly noted***

**10 Play Park - to receive quotes and vote - removal and disposal of branches**

*Two quotes have been received C Baugh £100 and H MacNeil £150, Cllr Webster proposed we accept £100 quote from C Baugh, seconded Cllr Henson All in favour. Cllr Ragsdale reported that the litter bin has not been emptied again – this is getting to be too regular, clerk to contact NSDC see also item 17*

**11 Maypole – to note maintenance report and quote for remedial work**

*The report shows that corrosion spots had been found on the mast and weather vane and should be treated in the near future with a new coat of paint. Quotes have been obtained for both a partial £1963 and full repaint £4551 Including VAT.*

*After full discussion it was agreed to a full repaint as the Maypole the focal point of the village , and proves good maintenance for Insurance purposes. The cost will be from the May Pole Reserve account*

**12 Gorge Dyke / Millenium Garden - to receive report**

*Cllr West reported that visual checks show all okay , but the Rhododendrons would benefit from rain/watering. The removal of mud from the Dyke is scheduled for September*

**13 Parish Field – to note the matter is ongoing and currently awaiting response from NSDC legal team**

*J Kent NSDC senior legal advisor had today responded, the whole content of his reply was read out at the meeting, copy will be shown separately. The main points appear to be that “the council does not consider that the Enclosure Award in question is an overriding interest capable of binding the land. Furthermore, certain overriding interests lost their status on 13 October 2013 if not noted on the title. “ It was noted that NSDC registered the land on 19/02/2021. NSDC will make no further payments to Wellow PC. Cllrs agreed that we need to seek further advice on this matter. To check with Land Registry how the land was previously registered, and to clarify that NSDC will be responsible for maintenance of the Dyke.*

**14 Actions proposed from Village Meeting re speeding on A616 during A1 diversions**

*This item was deferred due to absence of resident who is leading on this matter*

**15 Presentation of recent progress of Speeding Issues on Eakring Rd – deferred from previous meeting**

*A resident who expressed a need for anonymity, gave an extensive report. Most recent developments are a meeting with VIA – the A614 project has been postponed until next year, East Midlands Mayor to visit accompanied by Michelle Walsh and DC Gamble. Date of visit was not given*

**16 Storage for Parish Equipment – update from last meeting**

*Cllr Ragsdale stated that this has still to be erected*

**17 Dog Waste Bin – Coggles Lane – consider repair costs versus replacement and re siting**

*NDSC officer has offered a site visit clerk to liaise with him and Cllrs Meyer and Webster. It would be prudent to consider asking about re-siting of the Play Park waste bin and it is frequently missed by waste collection team*

**18 Parking Issues on Potter Lane -**

*A resident had suggested that Wellow PC consider contacting St Swithin’s Church to ask that they allow parking on the field aside the Church and Highways to add Yellow Lines on Potter Lane. The Parish Council will not be taking any action on this for the following reasons*

- *The field is consecrated land*
- *Yellow Lines not permitted in a conservation area*

**19 Correspondence**

*None*

**Time and date next meeting**

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 7.30 at the Memorial Hall**

**Meeting closed 8.45**

**Signed**

**Date**



