

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 5th September 2024 held in Walesby Village Hall

Meeting opened 6:30pm

Present: Cllr Smith Cllr Whittaker-Smith Cllr Allan

1. To receive and accept apologies for absence

None received

2. To receive declarations of interest

None received

24/62 To confirm the minutes of previous Parish Council Meeting

The minutes were accepted.

Prop: Cllr Whittaker-Smith

Sec: Cllr Allan

decision was unanimous

24/63 Clerk's report on items from the previous meeting

- The employee personal accident insurance has now been renewed.
- The Electricity & Gas contracts have been updated. The contracts will, from renewal, be directly through British Gas Lite as the broker, Love Energy couldn't offer deals which were competitive. The Electricity will be 45p/day standing charge & 23.49p/kwh unit charge. The Gas will be 38.73p/day standing charge & 5.96p/kwh unit charge.

24/64 The Allotments: to discuss their uptake, issues and the proposal of the holders forming a committee to aid the running of the allotments

Standing Orders were suspended to allow residents to speak on this matter.

The condition of the allotments particularly along the boundary between the allotments and the churchyard was discussed at length, as was the general state of some of the allotments. Standing orders were resumed and the Parish Councillors asked the Clerk to contact the contractor suggested by a resident and request a quote for clearing the area where the allotments meet the churchyard, clearing unused plots with mechanical means and also repairing the gates between Pocket Park and the allotments. Clerk was also asked to remind the allotment holders of their responsibilities for looking after their plots and also informing them that the Parish Council intend to look at clearing the area up. This will be communicated as part of the renewal letters which will be sent out in a few weeks time.

24/65 Planning: To discuss any received planning applications

24/01325/TWCA 2 x Cherry trees - reduce height by 25% to leave a finished height of approx 9m; crown thin by 30% at Willoughby Lodge Green Lane Walesby NG22 9PA

no objections to this application

24/66 Payments for approval

All payments were approved

Prop: Cllr Whittaker-Smith

Sec: Cllr Allan

decision was unanimous

24/67 To receive items for information and future meetings

- Cllr Allan had been contacted by RN Surfacing requesting the use of an area in Pocket Park to experiment with a product which allows grass to be driven on. It was decided that this was ok as long as it was done in a safe manner, would be child friendly and no damage to the park was caused.
- The Clerk reported that the external audit had been returned that afternoon with no comments.

24/68 To suspend standing orders for public participation

None present.

24/69 Time and date of next meeting
Thursday 10th October at 6:30pm

Meeting closed at 7:10 pm