

Wellow Parish Council

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Meeting of Wellow Parish Council

Monday 19th May 2025 , 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall Wellow

Present Cllrs E Meyer, J Ragsdale, D West, M Webster, County Cllr J Gamble . Three members of the Public

Minutes

- 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
Apologies received from Cllrs R Henson, P Kitson. District Councillors L Tift and C Penny both in meetings at NSDC
- 3 Declarations of members interest in agenda items
Cllr Ragsdale in item 15, Cllr D West item 14
- 4 To approve minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th March 2025
Proposed Cllr D West, seconded Cllrs E Meyer - All in favour
- 5 To receive questions and petitions from members of the public – for information only
None
- 6 Reports from the District and County Councillors
*D Cllr J Gamble – thanked the council for his invitation to his first meeting at Wellow. Cllr Gamble offered his support to Wellow moving forward and acknowledged all the work done by out going D Cllr Carlton.
Cllr Gamble is meeting with Highways next week in connection with Speed Camera request by resident*
- 7 Finance
 - Payments due - Clerks wages
Agreed
 - Balance sheet - Current account, Maypole Reserve Fund acct,
Cllrs examined and agreed
 - Clerks report

The auditors visit will take place 5th June, following on, a separate meeting will be called to sign off AGAR forms for 2024-25. The annual Insurance is due and clerk sort permission to pay this and asked if council would like to take up offer for beneficial terms over 3 year period . These were agreed
- 8 Planning Applications - *None*
- 9 Play Park - to note Play Park Inspection recommendations and set up working group
*The working group will look at the recommendations in Annual report
Cllr Ragsdale reported that on his weekly inspection there were concerns over the swing and one of the Springers. In addition, someone has been moving the cut branches about the field. Clerk to obtain quotes for the removal of branches*
- 10 Gorge Dyke / Millenium Garden
Rhododendron plants donated by the late Mr Acutt are ready to be planted. No issues in the Millenium Garden at present but work will be needed ahead of the Autumn clearing the Dyke

11 Parish Field – to note the matter is ongoing and currently awaiting response from NSDC legal team
Still awaiting response from NSDC legal team regarding rental income etc. It was noted that the Parish Council will not be maintaining the Dyke after December 2025 without the rental fee

12 Update the Parish Council on the Speeding Drivers Campaign and the funding for Speed Cameras by resident *The resident was not present to give his report*

13 Maypole – consider repairs needed to seat and review maintenance plan
Awaiting quote for repair to seat from original supplier, Cllr Kitson said he would take immediate remedial action to ensure safety ahead of the Maypole Event. Clerk had obtained quote from Abacus for an inspection and cleaning of the Maypole from installer Abacus – the Maypole is now halfway through its expected life, cost £1084 to be met from Maypole Reserve Fund. Proposed J Ragsdale seconded D West All in favour

14 Storage for Parish Equipment – update from last meeting
Sadly, Mr Acutt has recently passed away, this family would like to donate the shed to the Parish Council. Cllr West proposed that a letter of thanks be sent and a statement be published. He also asked that the Council formerly contact the Poor Lands charity to request if the shed could be sited within the Allotments. Seconded Cllr Ragsdale All in favour Cllr West did not vote having an interest previously declared

15 Funding request made by resident, that the Parish Council fund reproduction costs for the issue of the DCA Booklet 'War Memorials in England and Wales Guidance for Custodians' for issue to all residents
After discussion it was agreed to put the leaflet on the Councils website. However, it could not agree to cover reproduction costs from the precept. Cllr West noted that copies of the leaflet were available free of charge as indicated on the back of the leaflet.

16 Correspondence *Already distributed by email*

15 Time and date next meeting

Next scheduled meeting 21st July 2025 7.30 Memorial Hall

Meeting closed 8.33

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