

# Minutes of Annual Meeting

of Wellow Parish Council

15th May 2023 7.00pm

at the Memorial Hall, Wellow

Present Cllrs E Meyer, J Ragsdale, N Brown, G Parkin

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN and VICE CHAIRMAN  
Cllr Ragsdale nominated Cllr Meyer as Chairman, seconded Cllr Parkin All in favour  
Cllr E Meyer nominated Cllr Ragsdale as Vice Chairman , seconded Cllr Parkin All in favour
2. DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE  
The meeting paused whilst forms were completed
3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE  
None
4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS  
None
5. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2022  
Proposed J Ragsdale, seconded N Brown , all in favour

## 5. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

“ It has been a difficult year as funds were low and expenditure was high, so we reluctantly increased the precept after six years of maintaining a low percentage.

Contractors were employed to clear the Gorge Dyke of vegetation from the Millenium Garden to Toll Bar corner. Storm damaged trees were pollarded or removed from Dark Lane, Millenium Garden, the play area and the dog walk beside the play area.

Two new Dog bins were installed near Wellow Dam and Coggles Lane and a contract arranged for them to be regularly emptied.

Donations were made to the British Legion for lamp post poppies and to the village Christmas Tree event. As well as routine maintenance on the play area, an annual inspection by the safety officer has highlighted several areas where remedial work needs to be done.

The Book Exchange scheme which was set up in the bus shelter near Maypole Green during lockdown had to be stopped and cleared for safety reasons. Potentially dangerous items such as glass and crockery were being left.

Fly tipping has been a recurring problem in several areas of the village.

Potholes on Newark Rd have been reported on numerous occasions to VIA and finally temporary repairs have been carried out.

Bi-monthly council meetings have been trialled and accepted, in line with other local parish councils. It was hoped that less frequent meetings might perhaps encourage more people to apply to be on the council, but without success as no new candidates were forthcoming at the recent elections.

6 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Concerns were raised over road safety near the School corner

Signed Chairman

Date