

Wellow Parish Council

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Meeting of Wellow Parish Council

Monday 20th May 2024, 7.30pm at Memorial Hall, Wellow

Present Cllrs E Meyer , J Ragsdale, R Henson, D West , District Cllr S Carlton

Clerk C Wigman and 2 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
Cllr G Parkin sent his apologies due to work related absence
- 3 Declarations of members interest in agenda items
None
- 4 To approve minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th March 2024
Proposed Cllr West, seconded R Henson All in favour
- 5 Matters arising
None
- 6 to receive questions and petitions from members of the public – for information only
None
- 7 Reports from the District and County Councillors
D Cllr Carlton started by clarifying the reasons behind the proposals of closure to Recycling centres, incoming waste from other areas, the size of some centres is limited with no room for expansion. The Bilsthorpe proposal is just that but they are looking at other ideas for better regulating the use at the site. All proposals are to be put to public consultation before any action taken.
Work starts on the A614 Warren Hill area in August. In preparation of up coming work, Rumble strips with cameras have been installed at Ollerton Roundabout, Old Ollerton, Wellow, Eakring etc. In addition, Eakring Road is being monitored for speeding and abuse of weight restriction. In both cases the monitoring is for volume, times and frequency
- 8 Finance
 - Payments due - Clerks wages, costs to repair Notice Board £171, NALC training £45, Hiscox Insurance £854
Meeting paused whilst cheques were signed
 - Balance sheet - Current account, Maypole Reserve Fund acct, April /May
Bank statements not received at time of meeting
 - AGAR form, year-end balance etc, and to Auditors report re 2023-24
- Clerk reported that the Auditor had signed off end of year accounts , The end of year forms - signed by the chairman forms will be displayed on web page and Notice boards
 - review Web Page re new additional cost £2.99 per month and effectiveness
The Council voted to pay the monthly fee. With only 160 visits to the site last year, it was agreed to re advertise the site

- 9 Planning Applications - none at time of writing – *None received*
- 10 Casual Vacancies – to consider applications received
One application has been received from Mr M Webster; Mr Webster left the room whilst his application was discussed. On returning to the room the Council advised him that his application had been unanimously approved. The meeting paused whilst the Acceptance of Office and Interest forms were signed. Cllr Webster was invited to join the meeting at this point
- 11 Review Council policies – Code of Conduct, Standing orders, Risk Assessment
The policies were reviewed and no amendments were made
- 12 Biodiversity - *Clerk report from training and draft policy for adoption was discussed*
The Clerk gave a report of the biodiversity training received explaining that this was now mandatory for all councils large and small.
The Clerk had drawn up a basic policy suited to a small parish. The Council agreed that Biodiversity plans for the village should be discussed at a later meeting and to explore funding available. The policy was agreed by all and will be put on the web pages
- 13 Play Park - update following visit from Highways re new entrance on Potter Lane
The officers visited the site, there were major safety concerns over a gateway from the Park opening straight onto Potter Lane. However, they will budget 2025/6 for a 'Pedestrians in Road' sign for Potter Lane to help deal with speeding issues
A small nest of Bees has appeared in one of the trees in the Play Park and notices have been put place
Other issues to be taken to next meeting – repairs to seat, and work need to improve drainage on the Dog Walk path
- 14 Gorge Dyke flooding Issues – recommendations following visit from the Flood Team Officer
Flood warden advised us on ways to maintain the flow from Millenium Garden through Dark and North Lanes.
Putting up a grid/ leaky dam to catch large branches etc but these need to be cleaned out regularly.
This will not deal with excess flow coming 'upstream' when there is very heavy rain
- 15 Notice Board - Update on repairs
The Notice Board has now been repaired and is back in situ , it is now waterproof . Many thanks are due to Cllr E Meyer and former councillor N Brown for all their hard work to restore the notice board - at cost only
- 16 Note and comment on proposed closure of Recycling centre at Rainworth
See D Cllr Carltons comments at 7
- 17 Correspondence *None*
- 18 Time and date of next meeting **15th July 2024 7.30 pm at Memorial Hall**

19 Confidential Item

To review the draft minute report from meeting 17th March 2024
Minute report was agreed by all present

Meeting closed 9.00

Signed

Dated

