

Weston Longville Parish Council
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Minutes of the meeting held on
Monday 12 November 2018, 7.30pm in the Hall for All, Weston Longville

PRESENT:

Clare Morton (Chair), Peter Ross (PR), Ruth Goodall (RG), Anthony Thomas (AT), John Staveley (JC),

Other attendance: Sonya Blythe (clerk)
County Councillor Greg Peck.

Members of the public

Informal Items:

Police report

Not present.

County Councillor report

GP noted that the large items of Western Link and Greater Norwich Plan would be discussed during the meeting.

1 Chairman's welcome and to receive apologies for absence

Apologies were noted from JC.

2 Members' Declarations of Interests

AT raised an interest at a landowner directly affected by the Western Link (route A) and the landlord of the land TMA land stood on.

CM noted that all Councillors would be affected by the Western Link as all routes crossed close to or through the parish, but no pecuniary interests could be declared until the final route was known.

3 To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2018

The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed.

4 To receive information on matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda

4.1 Item 7 – it was noted that any final response would be circulated to all Councillors to approve, once received comments had been collated.

4.2 Item 11.7 PR reported that a response had been received from Tony Garland, in which

he had stated he would not enter further discussions on the subject. Councillors agreed that he had not answered the questions put to him.

4.3 Item 10 CM to contact McDonalds.

5 To co-opt a new councilor

Four applications for the co-option vacancy had been received.

Following two rounds of voting, Paul Cowley was co-opted onto the parish council.

PC signed the declaration of interest and joined the Councillors.

6 To receive a report on the Local Chairs meeting

PR circulated the minutes and reported on the meeting.

7 To receive an update on the revised Parish Plan / Neighbourhood Plan

RG reported that both Attlebridge and Morton on the Hill were interested in writing a parish plan in conjunction with Weston Longville. Funding would be sought from Broadland Council and the wind turbine fund for the work. RG to contact parishioners to ask for volunteers with a view to commencing work in January 2019. ACTION RG.

8 To discuss Highways issues

8.1 To receive an update

JS reported that he had recently met with Norfolk Constabulary who had confirmed that the 20mph speed limit through the parish was enforceable by traffic officers, as was the width limit. They had agreed to send officers to monitor, though none had been seen so far. JS and CM to discuss how to follow up. ACTION CM/JS.

The speed monitoring camera schedule had been mis-read and Weston Longville had been missed out, so no figures to report.

It was agreed that CM could purchase new batteries for the speed camera.

RG noted that slow signs on the gates at Weston Green had not materialised. Discussion was held regarding the installation of SAM2 cameras which had previously been discussed with Highways. As there had been no movement on this it was agreed that the Clerk could apply for this under Parish Partnership funding and pay 50%.

8.2 To discuss the NNDR Western Link

The four proposed routes were discussed. It was felt that only Route D met the criteria required, as all other proposed routes were too far from Norwich and the existing road and therefore vehicles and HGVs would still use Costessey and Weston Longville as cut throughs. In addition routes A,B and C all converged at the junction of Wood Lane / A47 which would have a devastating noise and visual impact on the parish and access to

footpaths and minor roads would be seriously damaged, leaving the village boxed in.

Following discussion it was agreed that the parish council would support Route D and oppose all other routes. A leaflet was circulated which would be delivered in the Wensum Diary, advising parishioners to attend the forthcoming consultation. From there a full response to Highways would be drafted and circulated. ACTION RG.

Thanks were passed to RG and John Hurst for attending numerous meetings on the subject.

8.3 To discuss the A47 Duelling (Ruth Goodall

RG reported that the Assistant Project Director has agreed to meet with RG and John Hurst to discuss the project. They would use the opportunity to give views on the best route.

9 Village Hall and play area

9.1 RG reported that business was good. A fireworks party had been organised for New Years Eve for the parish.

10 Greener Weston

Tree wardens would now be independent of the District Council. PC agreed to look into what it involves and take on the role. AT stood down as existing tree warden. CM to complete questionnaire received by Wardens network and PC to report back at next meeting.

11 To consider the following planning applications

11.1 None received.

11.2 To consider planning applications which have been received since distribution of the agenda.

None.

11.3 To note and ratify planning applications responded to since the last meeting due to the deadline date:

20181595 Construction of New Boarding Kennels – objection. GP agreed to call this in if necessary.

20181555 Weston Hall, Weston Hall Road – no objection

12 To receive correspondence

12.1 Greater Norwich plan. There were no new proposed sites in Weston Longville, but locally Great Witchingham had a proposal for 150 houses which did not look likely to go ahead due to access issues. Land at Honningham / Easton which would extend food hub was

also discussed.

12.2 Broadland Council – change of housename - noted

12.3 Weston Longville War Memorial – in lieu of anyone in parish owning it, Councillors had agreed to take ownership of the memorial. This would mean an additional insurance premium each annum, which was agreed. AT advised that he may have possession of ownership documents, which he would check. ACTION AT.

12.4 Planning approval notification for TMA Bark was noted.

13 To receive the updated accounts for 2018/19.

13.1 The accounts were noted.

13.2 To agree payment of accounts:

- i) Clerk salary, and expenses - £477.19
- ii) HMRC - £117.20
- iii) Norse (grounds maintenance) £515.69
- iv) Peter Ross – remembrance day wreath £25
- v) Zurich – additional insurance (war memorial) £100.26

13.3 Agreement was give to donate up to £400 from the wind turbine fund for the New Years Day walk return transport.

13.4 To note income:
£7,728.91 CIL
£2750 precept

13.5 To consider the draft budget for 2019/20

The draft budget was considered and amendments agreed.

13.6 To set the precept for 2019/20

Following consideration of the draft budget, the precept was considered. An increase of 5% (£1.40 per Band D property per annum) was recommended by the Clerk. Councillors considered this but agreed to not make an increase for 2019/20. The precept was therefore set as £5500. This would be confirmed by email once the tax base was received.

14 Any Other Business (items for information only).

14.1 To add a discussion on the future use of wind turbine and CIL money to the next agenda.

15 To confirm the date of the next meeting:

Monday 12 November 2018

Meeting closed at 21:30

Signed
Chairman.