

# Weston Longville Parish Council Annual Meeting of the Parish Minutes

**Date: Monday 9 May 2022 Time: 7.30pm**  
**Place: Hall for All, Church Street, Weston Longville**

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Parish Councillors present: Clare Morton (Chair), Peter Ross (Vice-Chair), Ruth Goodall, Justin Cohu, Paul Cowley, Bob Banks, Cynthia Savory. Also present Lorraine Trueman (Clerk) and 3 members of the public, including PC Colin Bailey

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7.33pm Cllr Morton opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

1. To approve and sign the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 5 May 2021

The minutes of the meeting were approved without amendment and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

2. To report on any matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters arising

3. To receive a report from the Chair of the Parish Council

The Parish Council continued to conduct its business and to try and improve on community engagement. A big-time demand for the Council has been the Planning Inspector's investigation of the A47 dualling proposals, and an on-going dialogue with the Norwich Western Link Delivery Group, with focus on getting the mitigations we want and need, but also supporting the project in the wider world. The Roarr dinosaur park submitted their expansion proposals and good communication links have been set up with their team to try and ensure that the park has the minimum possible impact on the local residents.

A key highlight for the year was the final delivery of a water supply to the allotments, a long drawn out and expensive project, and which would not have been completed without the support of David Curtis and Tony Finch on the ground. Our thanks go to both of them. The one outstanding action from this project is to get the allotment ownership onto the Land Registry, which is not made easier by the loss of the allotments ownership deeds many decades ago.

The Parish Council reviewed the Three Parishes Plan, which has a major focus on improving our local environment with emphasis on footpaths, green planting and other initiatives that keep the Three Parishes together.

The Council welcomed Cynthia Savory to its number, said goodbye to our clerk Helen, and welcomed Lorraine as her replacement. As Chair, I would like to extend

my heartfelt thanks to all of the councillors for the work they do for the parish throughout the year.

The councillors thanked Cllr Morton for her tremendous work this year.

#### 4. To hear and discuss matters raised by members of the public

A member of the public asked for an update on the Norwich Western Link. The Chair advised this was on the agenda for the Annual Parish Council Meeting that would follow this meeting.

A member of the public raised the problems being faced by pedestrians who use the road due to a lack of footpaths in some areas of the parish, in particular from the edge of the village towards Weston Green, which would have more non-motorised routes when the Western Link is built. The modelling suggests that if the Norwich Western Link goes ahead the traffic through the village will reduce but residents would like to see improvements before the Norwich Western Link commences.

Residents and councillors were concerned about an increase in HGV traffic in the last month. Rubber traffic counting strips have been installed in the parish and these will give types of vehicles travelling through.

PC Bailey advised of a covert speeding camera that may be available to the parish for approx. 6 days. He asked the Parish Council to advise him of the suggested location for the camera.

PC Bailey went on to advise that it may be possible for a visit from the Road Casualty Reduction team (motorcycle based) but they would need to see proof of issues before this could be agreed.

PC Bailey has asked that all crimes are reported so that the police can build up a picture and act where appropriate.

The council thanked PC Bailey for his continued support.

8.18pm PC Bailey left the meeting.

#### 5. To discuss any other business

No further items were raised.

8.19 pm Cllr Morton closed the meeting