

EDITH WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council (PC) held on Monday 25 February 2019

Present: Councillors H. Wood (HW)(Chair), N. Farmer (NF), N. Appleby (NA), P Boggust (PB), E. Jarron (EJ), P. Coe (PC), and the Clerk, B. Shirley (BS)

Visitors: S. Walling (SW), S. Ashworth (SA), J. Gray (JG), H. Palmer (HP), M. Earnshaw (ME), P. Welsh (PW), L. Allen (LA), P. Allen (PA)

Item	Description	Action
1. Apologies	Cllr N. Milne, County Councillor K. Bool, County Councillor G Waller, Captain K. Manson	
2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda	N. Milne – Agenda item 11 payment of invoices. P. Coe – Agenda item 8 planning applications received.	
3. Public Open Forum	Nothing to report	
4. Minutes of the last meeting held on 7 January 2019	Minutes of the last meeting held on 7 January, were agreed by the Parish Council as a correct record, and signed by the chair.	
5. Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda	<p>NA reported that he had attended the Rutland Water User Group meeting on 22 February:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> An 18 month trial will now take place of policing of verge and footway vehicle parking on routes leading to Rutland Water. The policing will be done by Rutland County Council officers. Car owners parking on verges and pathways will be cautioned. The trial will start before Easter, and will not include the Edith Weston village area. The 18 month trial includes road signage on ALL approach roads big and small, a soft start by RSC officers with cautions first followed by parking tickets if required. NA to draft letter to RCC expressing concern about the impact on the village. Anglian Water have put forward proposals to put a solar farm on the dam, facing Empingham. PC to look at the planning legalities. <p>NA is happy to pass on jigsaw puzzles for Oakham in Bloom – for more details contact NA.</p>	NA/PC
6. Updates from the Army	No update available.	

<p>7. Future of St George's Barracks</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ME has yet to receive a response to his letter to Sir Alan Duncan MP expressing his concern about the St Georges Barracks proposals. He has focused on legal aspects so his letter will probably require more attention than the standard response many people have already received. • HP has written to Roger Ranson about the Neighbourhood Plan but has not yet received a response. • EJ will attend the next St Georges Advisory Group with PC. • A letter has been drafted to the HIF concerning the RCC bid for funding. This was agreed by the Parish Council Chair before he went on holiday. The final paragraph of the letter is advice from a solicitor. If the HIF fails on all four key criteria, and is still approved, there may be grounds for a judicial review. The Parish Council asked to have sight of the letter before it was sent to HIF, for their comments/amendments. This was agreed and SW will send to the Clerk, who will circulate. Closing date for representations to the HIF is 26 March. • A St Georges Barracks update from NM , drafted for the 25 February meeting was noted by the Parish Council. 	<p>EJ/PC</p> <p>SW/BS</p>
<p>8. To discuss planning applications received</p>	<p>The following planning applications have been received:</p> <p>2019/0092/CAT, 1 no. Acer Tree - Crown lift to 2.4m to clear driveway and adjacent footpath. 20 King Edwards Way – agreed</p> <p>2019/0050/CAT – reduce and remove various trees, 9 Well Cross - agreed</p>	
<p>9. Update on environmental issues in the Parish</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was reported that someone has put signs up on the Glebe land asking dog owners to clear up after their dog. Tommys Close Trustees will put up similar signs. It was agreed that the Parish Council will write a letter to the dog owner concerned. 	<p>HW/BS</p>
<p>10. Update on safety issues in the Parish</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Derwent Avenue defibrillator – NA reported that the MOD have no objection to upgrading the telephone box. Annington Homes have also agreed. The matter is now with the MOD Estates legal team. 	
<p>11. Finance</p>	<p>a) To note the current bank balance on the Parish Council's accounts (as at 24 February 2019):</p> <p>Current account - £1,456.89</p> <p>Savings account - £23,429.78</p>	

<p>12. To agree payment of invoices</p>	<p>The following invoices were agreed for payment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rutland County Council - community street lighting recharge - £316.03 • Community Heartbeat Trust – defibrillator battery - £120.00 • N. Milne – printing costs St Georges - £96.22 • S.Walling – St Georges hi-vis jackets £74.94 <p>The Parish Council was asked to consider a request from Edith Weston PCC for a contribution of £396.00 towards cemetery grass cutting. The Parish Council agreed to pay £600 to the PCC in line with the amount agreed in the Parish Council budget. All agreed.</p> <p>The Chair asked those present to bear in mind that when presenting invoices to the Parish Council for costs they have incurred, the Parish Council are unable to claim back the VAT. In future, please could invoices go straight to the Clerk for payment (addressed to Edith Weston Parish Council).</p>	
<p>13. To discuss correspondence received by the Clerk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leicestershire Footpaths Association Annual Report – no action. • Campaign to Protect Rural England – request for annual membership – to go forward for next meeting. • LRALC Internal Audit Service – provision of internal audit service 2018-19 – to go forward for next meeting/ • Healthwatch survey of Armed Forces – HW to take forward. 	<p>BS</p> <p>BS</p> <p>HW</p>
<p>14. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting</p>	<p>Monday 25 March 7.15 pm, Edith Weston Village Hall</p> <p>Agenda to include briefing on forthcoming Parish Council elections, 2 May</p>	