

Welton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 14 January 2025

Present: Cllrs Thane (in the Chair), Paterson, Pengelly and Skinn.

Present as observers: Ward Cllr Corless and two members of the public.

Also in attendance was the Clerk.

Public Forum

Members of the public were in attendance to comment on the planning application for 6 Common Lane, Welton. Concerns were raised regarding the impact of the application on the residential area. There was already an increase in noise, vehicles and people using the facility. It was understood there was a need for a place of worship for the Muslim community within the East Riding but it was felt that the Common Lane site was totally inappropriate.

2919 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Barnfather, Brownlee, Hutchinson, Rix, Rockett, Taylor and Young. No apology had been received from Cllr Mills.

Resolved: that the absences of Cllrs Barnfather, Brownlee, Hutchinson, Rix, Rockett, Taylor and Young be authorised.

Proposed by Cllr Paterson and seconded by Cllr Pengelly.

2920 Declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests

Resolved:

- a) that Cllrs Skin and Thane expressed a non pecuniary interest in item 14 (minute number 2932) as Trustees of the Memorial Hall.
- b) that Cllr Thane expressed a non pecuniary interest in item 13 (minute 2931) as Editor of Welton News.
- c) that Cllr Pengelly expressed a non pecuniary interest in item 9 e (minute 2927 e).

2921 Dispensation requests

None received.

2922 East Riding of Yorkshire Ward Councilors report

Cllr Corless discussed the planning issues of concern and that the parish could request that they be heard at ERYC committee level for the reasons of the effect on a residential area.

It was hoped that the Omya/Ashcourt public meeting would be held on 31 January 2025 where Cllr Corless would be supporting residents.

2923 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17 December 2024

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 17 December 2024 were a true record.

Proposed by Cllr Paterson and seconded by Cllr Skinn.

2924 Minutes of the Finance and Policy Working Group meeting held on 7 January 2025

Resolved: that the minutes of the Finance and Policy Working Group held on 7 January 2025 be received.

Proposed by Cllr Thane and seconded by Cllr Pengelly.

2925 Finance

a) To note contractual payments listed below:

- I. £8.00 HSBC bank charges for December (Welton Bull)
- II. £6.00 – Unity Bank charges - December
- III. £15.34 – mobile phone direct debit for December – EE
- IV. £674.00 – Salary payment January – Staff
- V. £168.40 – PAYE January

b) To approve payments - none

c) To note payment agreed by Chair and Clerk - none

d) To note receipts

- I. £3,589.26 VAT claim
- II. £49.32 Welton Bull CCLA investment (Nov)
- III. £118.19 HSBC Savings Account interest November
- IV. £114.56 HSBC Savings Account interest December

2626 Reserves Policy

Cllr Thane explained that a draft Reserves Policy had been created and that a reserves spreadsheet would also be generated. The Finance and Policy Working Group would finalise these prior to being presented to full council.

2927 Planning

To agree responses to the following consultations:

a) Ref. No: 24/03412/PLF Welton Croft 6 Common Lane Welton HU15 1PT

A discussion was held regarding the application and that it was not a suitable location for a place of worship due to the anticipated increase in traffic and parking of vehicles. Concerns were also raised regarding opening hours and the impact on pupils travelling to and from South Hunsley and Welton Primary schools.

Resolved: that the application would be opposed and a comprehensive response would be posted on ERYC Planning portal. A request would also be made for the application to be presented to the Planning Committee for their consideration.

Proposed by Cllr Thane and seconded by Cllr Pengelly

Ward Cllr Corless and members of the public left the meeting.

- b) Ref. No: 24/02910/PLF Land South Of Welton Dale Wauldby Road
Resolved: that there were no objections to the application.
Proposed by Cllr Paterson and seconded by Cllr Pengelly.
- c) Ref. No: 24/02875/STOUTE Land South Of Oak Plantation Common Lane
Resolved: that there was no objection to the application.
Proposed by Cllr Thane and seconded by Cllr Paterson.
- d) Ref. No: 24/02876/STPLFE Land At Oak Plantation Common Lane Welton
Resolved: that there were no objections to the application although clarification would be requested regarding responsibility for future maintenance.
Proposed by Cllr Thane and seconded by Cllr Skinn
- e) Ref. No: 24/03730/STVAR Land North Of Operational Support Humberside Police, Wyke Way Melton.
Resolved: that there were no objections to the application.
Proposed by Cllr Thane and seconded by Cllr Paterson.

2928 Clerk's report

Easy PC Accounts System - payments and income were required to be recorded on the system from April 2024 (so far up to and including August 2024 had been completed).

Windfarm Grant – an update on the £20,554.60 requested via an invoice on 21/11/2024 was outstanding, which had been chased on 10 January 2025.

Salt bins – Melton had been requested through ERYC Winter Services, no date as yet for installation had been provided.

Precept – the request had been signed for £28,087.58 and forwarded to ERYC on 8 January 2025.

Sexual Harassment Policy – the draft policy had been circulated to the Personnel Committee. Training requirements were to view the Chris Moses webinar and 'sign as read and understood'. The policy required to be reviewed on an annual basis.

Boundary changes – there had been recent communication regarding the boundary changes which would take place in 2027. There was also a proposal to reduce the number of Cllrs for Welton Parish from 12 to 10, which the Clerk had queried with ERYC.

Website training had been requested. There was a cost of £75.00 for a two hour session, which would be for up to two persons. Cllr Barnfather would be contacted to establish her availability to attend alongside of the Clerk.

Memorial Hall – an installation date of week commencing 3 February 2025 had been arranged for the solar panels.

2929 Correspondence received and action required

It was agreed that VE Day would be an agenda item for the parish meeting scheduled to take place in February 2025.

2930 Melton Pond

Cllr Young had provided an update via email in advance of this meeting, he had shared details of the positive meeting with an Omya representative. It was hoped that Omya would contribute to the project.

2931 Welton, Melton and Wauldby News

The February edition was currently in progress.

2932 Memorial Hall

There were no updates to report.

2933 Jubilee Tree - Welton Pond

Cllrs Thane and Rix had made a site visit to establish where the tree could be moved to and concerns were raised regarding the view achieved. Therefore, the proposal was that the location of the Christmas tree would be moved as an alternative.

Resolved: that the location of the Christmas tree be moved.

Proposed by Cllr Thane and seconded by Cllr Paterson.

2934 Communications Committee update

The Clerk provided an update from the virtual meeting held on 19 December 2024. The Social Media Strategy had been amended to include an activity schedule and the frequency of committee meetings to be held. Cllrs had been requested to pass a comment on the page to test how the notification would be received. It was agreed that regular checks were required to ensure public comments/posts were not left un-responded to.

2935 A63 Diversion/HGVs

An email update from Cllr Young had been circulated prior to this meeting and a letter had been received from Sir David Davies MP following the meeting held with him.

HGVs utilising the village during diversions continued and Cllrs were requested to forward photographic evidence to PCSO Lynch.

2936 Cobbles around St. Helens Churchyard

Ward Cllr Hopton had progressed the issue of concern through ERYC, who had attended to sweep the area. There was an update provided although it was noted that it remained to be established whether the area was part of the maintenance schedule.

2937 Any other items for note for future agendas

Sexual Harassment Policy

VE Day – May 2025

Welton Pond – planting (Cllr Paterson)

Road Safety (Cllr Pengelly)

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.40pm

2938 Date and time of Next Meeting:

Ordinary Parish Council – Tuesday 18 February 2025 – 7.00 pm