

Welton Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held 16th June 2015 at 7:00 pm

Present were Councillors Peck (in the chair), Roberts, Banks, Boyle, Fairweather, Gill. Also in attendance was the stand-in Clerk, the Ward councillor, a police representative and three members of the public,

792. Public Forum

Not required.

793. Presentation about wind turbine funding with Dan Grierson and Chris Tute

Dan Grierson (The Energy Workshop) and Chris Tute (Transwaste) circulated a summary to the meeting. Paperwork for the most recent 3 turbines application had recently been finalised. Community funds will be available with a minimum of £50,000 per annum from the first export of power expected to be mid to late 2017. This will be a secure source of income which is index linked. The funds will be administered by ERYC to be spent by Welton PC (2/3rd) and North Ferriby PC (1/3rd). Transwaste will improve the Transpennine Way and the Wolds Way in addition to the community fund. The fund is available when the turbines go up. Cllr Fairweather asked how ERYC will administer the funds as in the past the Parish has not benefited – this will be earmarked for the Parish. Cllr Abrahams said that the funds for the wind farm near Lissett were in the hands of a committee. Cllr Peck asked if any contact names were available from the ERYC but these are not known at the present but, as this is being run locally, the communications will be there. The Finance Committee will look at this as soon as a name is available. Cllr Abraham asked that if Seneca Global ceased trading what would happen - the Council were assured that 5 or 6 companies had signed the agreement, which is a legal document. It was pointed out that there was no legal agreement for the first two turbines but that this would not have any effect.

Dan and Chris left the meeting.

794. Presentation from Rev'd Canon Elaine Bielby in support of the grant application from the PCC of St Helen's Church

Elaine spoke on the grant application form to say that the cemetery is owned by St. Helen's for the community. The running costs to maintain the cemetery in good order is approximately £2K – 2.5K per annum. Although there are 100 on the church electoral roll the cemetery is for everyone in the Parish. The "I'anson fund" raises about £1K and the PCC are asking for a contribution towards the upkeep as a community amenity. About five full graves are added per year and 4 or 5 ashes interments annually. Cllr Banks asked about the restrictions of use - as this is not a municipal cemetery there can be no reflective surfaces or kerbs and lettering on gravestones has to conform to regulations. There are no separate accounts for the cemetery but accounts are kept for the Church with an entry for the cemetery and these are posted up in the Church before the annual PCC. Cllr Fairweather asked about the allotments – it would be about 20+ years before the land would be needed.

Elaine asked about other reimbursements i.e. floodlights for the building and the Christmas lights. There were separate meters for these but now there is one meter with the clock which can be read at any time.

A grant had not been applied for in regard to the War Memorial Clock of which one face belongs to the Parish and clarity was needed for this. Elaine commented that if there was anything the Church could provide for the Parish they just had to ask.

Elaine left the meeting.

795. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Walker, Rockett and Hughes.

796. Declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests

None

797. Dispensation Requests

None had been received.

798 To receive the monthly police report

The police representative reported one item of assault – an issue at South Hunsley School. Cllr Roberts asked about police reports - these are logged into areas and anything which cannot have an outcome (trivial things which cannot be solved) is screened out from source which frees up time for the important incidents.

The police representative left the meeting

799. To receive the Ward Councillors report

Councillor Julie Abraham gave the monthly report and the following points were noted:

- a) Noise issue at Humber Growers has been referred to Public Protection – Julie will report back.
- b) Planning application was refused for Melton Quarry.
- c) Planning application for three wind turbines at Gibson Lane was deferred pending final consultation responses and approval is delegated to officers. Minor amendments arose relating to reuse of waste at site.
- d) Melton Fields – decision from Secretary of State expected by 28th June.
- e) Draft local plan – consultation has taken place on the modifications required by the Planning Inspector and further public sessions will commence 14th July. Final decision is expected in the Autumn. St. Modwen is fighting through the Local Plan process to get Melton Fields included for housing development.
- f) Box junction at Stanley Jackson Way – the situation is being monitored and some timing adjustments to the traffic lights will help alleviate the problem. The development to the north of Welton Low Road identified improvements needed to the signal control installation over the A63 and these should begin in the near future.

Land to the South of Brough is also linked to improvements on the highway network including: a relief road to the south of the town, ultimately providing a link between Welton Road and Saltgrounds Road; a new signalised roundabout to replace the traffic signals at Welton Road/Welton Low Road; improvements to the existing signals which control access off the A63 westbound linked to the traffic signals at Welton Road/Welton Low Road. The development also includes a requirement for a Travel Plan in an effort to reduce reliance on single occupancy car usage, to promote sustainable transport modes and provide the bus service providers an opportunity to secure an increase in passenger numbers. Traffic monitoring equipment within the new highway infrastructure will establish if the predicted traffic figures match the actual flow. Outcomes from the monitoring will be reviewed to inform and update the measures in the development of the Travel Plan. There is a programme of minor works planned to improve pedestrian and cyclist facilities.

Julie was requested to ask who would be dealing with the community funding from the wind turbines. A question was raised about the fraction of the funding from the wind turbines – Brough had made no representation and therefore missed out. North Ferriby had made representation and it was felt that the Council should be mindful if they need to make representation for any nearby developments in the future.

800. To approve the minutes of the previous meetings

Resolved – that the minutes of the Annual meeting held on 19th May 2015 are a true record.
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Banks and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

Resolved – that the minutes of the meeting held on 19th May 2015 are a true record.
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Gill and seconded by Cllr. Boyle
The minutes were signed.

801. To note the minutes of other meetings

- a. Personnel Committee Meeting held 2nd June 2015 (draft)
The minutes were noted.

802. Clerks Report – to receive the report and discuss any matters arising not otherwise on the agenda

The Chair had received an email which had been circulated to all Councillors from Mr Wilde, prospective Councillor and he is to be invited to the next Council meeting.
Cllrs. Banks and Gill had attended training re electronic planning applications which had not been successful as the presentation was not in focus. Cllr. Peck is to attend a session next week in Goole. The new system is online but it is not working well. Cllr. Gill said there are two different providers for access but they are not compatible.
Other items: Top Green has been done. Invoices are in and will be on the next agenda.
Melton Pond - Nothing to report
Trods: Cllr. Peck will email Swanland regarding the funding for this.
Bull Ings account – Cllrs. Peck and Boyle will open the new account at HSBC and will alter the address for the Clerk as Cllr. Gill is still getting the accounts.
Grit bins – email had been circulated – to go on the August agenda
Concrete by the pump – Cllr. Gill asked who would remove it. KC had been questioned. ERYC is to be contacted about this.
Cllr. Fairweather asked if Cllr. Eve Wood had resigned, but she had not re-applied. Cllr. Gill asked if she could be thanked for her service. The Chairman would do this.

803. Finance

- a. To agree whether to award a grant towards the upkeep of the cemetery to the PCC of St. Helen's Church.

The Council was not happy that full accounts had not been seen. Mr Johnson had not complied with the grant system.

Resolved – That a decision on the awarding of a grant for the cemetery be deferred pending further details of income and expenditure which would be requested from the church Treasurer.
Proposed by Cllr. Peck and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

- b. To agree the insurance renewal

Discussion took place on whether to leave some street furniture uninsured, premium could cost more than any repairs.

Resolved: That the items covered remain as in the present policy and the premium be paid for one year at a cost of £309.16p

Proposed by Cllr. Boyle and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

- c) To approve the payments listed below:

i) £566.64 Helena Crutchley Salary & allowance (Standing order)

Cllr. Fairweather asked a question about "fit" notes and salary and this had been considered at the Personnel committee. Fit notes were discussed and also the duty of care when the Clerk returns. No Personnel committee was scheduled at the moment.

ii) £11.96 Orange Phone (Direct Debit)

iii) £101.40 PCC of St. Helen's Church Welton Electricity Nov-May

There was nothing in the budget for paying for this and discussion ensued regarding the payments. The PC had installed the lights and there was contingency money in the budget.

Resolved – to agree to pay the invoice and to accommodate payment which will be allocated to a budget heading and that this will be referred to the next Council meeting to amend the budget.
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Boyle and seconded by Cllr Fairweather.

iv. £ 309.16 Zurich Municipal Insurance renewal

Resolved – that the above payments be approved
 The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Gill and seconded by Cllr. Banks.

- d. To approve the receipts listed below:
 - i. £ 3.23 May Interest (Savings account)

Resolved – that the receipts be approved
 The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Gill and seconded by Cllr .Banks.

804. Planning – to agree a response to the following consultation:
 a.15/01420/PLF 22 The Crescent

Resolved – No comment
 The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Banks and seconded by Cllr. Gill.

b. To note the following decisions:

Reference	Address	Description	East Riding Decision
15/03621/PLF	Land West of 7 Gibson Lane North	Erection of 3 dwellings	Granted with conditions
	PC Response	Initial concerns about noise levels and then recommended support of amended plans	

Noted

805. To review the Action Plan priorities

There had been no report to date from Dave Hickling. Information gathered on Councillors' priorities from the action plan to be forwarded to Dave Hickling.

806. To agree any action regarding a possible box junction at Stanley Jackson Way

The East Riding had offered to do a safety audit and the whole issue is being looked at. (Item 799 (f))

807. To agree whether to support the Minsters Rail Campaign to re-open the Beverley to York railway

Noted

808. To note correspondence received

a. Scarecrow Festival

There had been a festival about three or four years ago – the first one displayed outside individuals houses and the second one on the Green, on posts. The Chair is to reply that it is too late for this year and the details have been forwarded to the Open Gardens co-ordinator.

809. To receive any other items for note or future agendas

a) Mill Dam –following a meeting with the Clerk and Cllrs Peck and Roberts, Mason Clark e to submit a report in a month for a potential solutions to the silt problem in the stream and to the improvements to the structure of the Mill Dam.

b) Swimming Pool – South Hunsley The interim report from the independent consultant had been circulated to all Councillors.

Cllr Gill asked about any Planning applications, but none had been received therefore there would not be a Planning Committee meeting on 25 June.

810. To confirm the date of the next full Council meeting as July 21st.

811. Bull Ings – To approve the annual account and reconciliation for 2014-15 for the Bull Ings Account

Proposed – that the account and reconciliation be approved.
Proposed by Cllr. Boyle and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:25 p.m.