

Welton Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held 15th December 2015 at 7:00 pm

Present were Councillors Peck (in the chair), Banks, Boyle, Gill, Roberts, Rockett and Wilde. Also in attendance was the Clerk and Ward Councillor Abraham.

919. Public Forum

No members of the public were present.

920. To hear a short presentation in support of the grant application from the British Red Cross

No-one from the British Red Cross was able to attend and it was agreed that consideration of the grant be postponed until next month, as Councillors had a number of questions. The Clerk to forward questions about local use of the emergency vehicle to the charity.

921. Apologies

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

922. Declarations of interest

None were declared.

923. Dispensation Requests

None had been received.

924. To receive the police report

There were no crimes in November.

925. To receive the Ward Councillors report

Ward Cllr. Abraham apologised for the absence of any ward councillor at the last meeting. The East Riding Council scrutiny panel will be looking into the performance of Humberside Police following its rating as 'inadequate' and raising any concerns to the police. Council Tax will probably rise by 3.9% - 2% of that has been allowed by the Chancellor to go towards meeting the gap in funding for adult services – East Riding Council will still be over a million short in this area alone; there is a £10.8 million gap in the overall budget. It was asked whether the budget cuts will affect parish councils – it is thought that if a parish council could contribute to something eg a road safety sign, it would probably increase the priority of that work. South Hunsley swimming pool: planning permission is not required as the whole site is covered by 'educational use'. The legal team has looked at whether the closure contravenes any legal obligations and it does not. East Riding is monitoring the level of enquiries to other pools and leisure facilities. It was noted that the planning application from Transwaste does not give details of whether additional waste will be processed and therefore a new licence needed.

926. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting

Resolved – that the minutes of the meeting held on 17th November 2015 are a true record.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Banks.

927. To note the minutes of other meetings

a. Finance & Policy Working Group 1st December 2015

The minutes were noted.

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

It was noted that Brough Town Council had not agreed to Council positioning a noticeboard at the entrance to the estate, on the grounds that it was confusing. It was agreed to leave the matter for now.

The Clerk reported that East Riding Council had agreed that a noticeboard can be installed on the verge of the roundabout (NE side) at Brickyard Lane and Monks Way.

The Clerk also reported that she and an officer from East Riding had looked at the location of the proposed road and that the SE verge was too narrow and that it would need to be on the NW side of the road. She will get a quote for this.

929. To resolve to update Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

Resolved – that updates to Standing Orders and Financial Regulations be accepted

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Gill.

930. Finance

a. To agree whether to award a grant (and how much) to the British Red Cross
Postponed until the next meeting.

b. To agree the budget for 2016-17 and a provisional precept amount

The Finance & Policy Working Group had discussed a draft budget of £27,316 and were recommending that it be adopted. Although this pointed to a possible reduction in the precept amount, it was noted that East Riding Council are still being forced to make major cuts which may affect services which the Parish Council may wish to support, plus the Parish Council is planning major projects. It was also felt that a cut would result in a rise the following year and that this was not the most sensible approach. It was noted that the amount paid by the taxpayer would go down due to a change in the tax base.

A provisional precept of £33,000 was agreed subject to formal agreement next month following any decisions from central government.

Resolved – to adopt the budget of £27,316

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Boyle and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

Resolved – that the precept amount be provisionally set to £33,000 for formal agreement next month subject to any changes needed as a result of news from central government.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Boyle and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

c. To consider the correspondence regarding the costs of maintaining salt bins

When the salt bins had been purchased, the agreement was that East Riding would check them a number of times a year and charge the parish when they needed refilling. A recent letter from East Riding stated that the parish would now be charged for each visit, whether or not the bin is refilled. The options were for Council to maintain the bin themselves or pay the new fees. The Clerk recommended that for bins in regular use, it was more cost effective to stay with East Riding but that not all bins seem to be well used. It was noted that East Riding intend to introduce technology which will allow their officers to record the state of each bin when visiting it. It was agreed to go with the charges for this winter and then review usage.

Resolved – to pay for salt bins to be inspected and refilled by East Riding Council for this winter.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Peck and seconded by Cllr. Boyle.

d. To approve the payments listed below:

i. £ 566.64	Helena Crutchley	Salary & allowance (Standing order)
ii. £ 11.96	Orange	Phone (Direct Debit)
iii. £1453.92	Woodcraft (UK) Ltd	Noticeboard
iv. £ 364.80	East Riding of Yorkshire Council	Grit bin refills
v. £ 393.50	Michael Lee	Mill Dam & Beck clearance

- vi. £ 225.15 PCC of St Helens Church Welton Clock service & electricity

It was noted that the work done on the Mill Dam & beck cost more than £300 although authorised by the Clerk with the expectation of it being less. The Council approved this amount and the other payments.

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

- e. To approve the receipts listed below:
 - i. £ 3.34 Nov Interest (Savings account)
 - ii. £1189.61 VAT Refund Apr – Sep (Current account)

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

931. To consider the application to stop vehicle access over part of Lowfield Lane
It was agreed that the Clerk get more information about who had applied for the change and why.

932. Mill Dam Project – to review progress and agree whether to retain the island
The Clerk reported that Mason Clark had started work and that she had circulated a sketch diagram to support the specification. A decision was required on whether to keep the island. It was agreed to keep it.

Resolved – that the island in the Mill Dam be retained as part of the refurbishment work.
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Wilde.

933. Planning
a. to agree a response to the following consultations:

- i. 15/03586/TCA The Coach House, Kidd Lane WELTON CONSERVATION AREA: Fir tree; fell; due to out growing location and growing to close to property
It was noted that the application referred to damage to property but no evidence was given. It was agreed to go with the advice of the tree officer.

Resolved – that the response be ‘Council supports the advice of the tree officer’.
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Gill and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

- ii. 15/02736/VAR Welton Mill Disused, Dale Road Variation of condition 22 (Approved plans for The Mill) of planning reference 09/03527/PLF
- iii. 15/02550/PLB Welton Mill Disused, Dale Road Alterations to form 1no dwelling (AMENDED PLANS)
These two plans were considered together. There was very little difference to the original plans which the Council supported.

Resolved – that a response supporting the applications be returned.
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Peck and seconded by Cllr. Roberts.

- iv. 15/03489/STPLF Transwaste Recycling and Aggregates Limited Gibson Lane South Erection of extension to existing sorting building
Concerns were expressed that this may lead to an increase in the capacity being processed (which might need a change in licence) and that this in turn would lead to more problems with odours from the site (which are currently being monitored by the Ward Councillors). There was some discussion as to whether to object on these grounds but it was decided to comment and ask for the concerns to be considered in conditions.

Resolved – that the following response be returned:
‘Council has no objection to the construction of the building but has concerns that the building will mean an increase in the capacity of waste being handled and

that this in turn will lead to an increase in the existing problems of odours in the area. Council also questioned whether an update to the environmental agency licence would be required. If East Riding of Yorkshire Council is minded to approve the application, Council requests that its concerns are addressed with suitable conditions.'

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Boyle and seconded by Cllr. Wilde.

- v. 15/03404/STPLF Wastewise Waste Management Site Albion Lane, Willerby Erection of waste storage building with 2 leachate tanks and construction of 18 aerated and 1 non-aerated maturation areas with associated access and landscaping
It was noted that the application was not in the parish and unlikely to affect the residents of the parish.

Resolved – that a response of 'no comment' be returned.

The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Peck and seconded by Cllr. Gill.

- vi. An application at 34 Common Lane was received after the agenda had been sent. It was agreed that an additional meeting just to deal with this application would not be required.

b. To note the following decisions:

- i. 15/02768/PLF Welton Primary School, Elloughtonthorpe Way Erection of a single storey extension and construction of additional parking spaces
PC Response: Supports the application
East Riding Decision: Granted
- ii. 15/02745/PLF Hemingford House, 4 Church Street Erection of a children's play house
PC Response: Objection on the grounds that it is intrusive
East Riding decision: Granted with conditions
- iii. 15/02588/STPLF Melton Bridge, Brickyard Lane Erection of a replacement road bridge, replacement of sections of road and demolition of existing bridge
PC Response: Strong objection on grounds that 1) no perceived need 2) a lack of information on development to the South of the railway 3) loss of open space and agricultural land
East Riding Decision: Granted with conditions
- iv. 15/03157/PLF 11 Melton Bottom Alterations to front entrance canopy and erection of boundary wall to front and side with steel gate
PC Response: No comment
East Riding Decision: Granted
- v. 15/03433/PLF 57 Common Lane Erection of single storey extension to side
PC Response: No comment
East Riding Decision: Granted

The decisions were noted. It was noted that a condition had been put on application 15/02745/PLF to use the trees to hide the impact of the tree house ie without putting a TPO on the trees, the trees must be kept and replaced if damaged.

- c. To note the appeal decision for 15/00551/PLF Land North East of Welton Hall, Dale Road Erection of a dwelling and associated works – appeal dismissed
The decision was noted. It was pointed out that there are more listed buildings in Welton than any other village in the East Riding and that the importance of the listed building was a priority in dismissing the appeal.

934. To review progress on preparations for the Welton Community Plan Event and any actions needed

The Clerk has done some investigation into printing and distribution – now waiting for the leaflet, a draft of which will be distributed this week for comment by Cllr. Roberts. He will also contact the various groups and may be able to get a mention on Radio Humberside. It was suggested that it would be a good idea to have name badges for those staffing the stations. The Chair thanked Cllr. Roberts for all his work on the event.

935. To consider the nomination of a Trustee to the Welton Combined Charities

Terry Rockett's term of office comes to an end in March; he is willing to continue. He was thanked for his work with the charity and it was agreed to nominate him again.

Resolved – that Terry Rockett be nominated as a Trustee of the Welton Combined Charities
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Gill and seconded by Cllr. Peck.

936. To note correspondence received

- a. Consultation on winter services
Council had no comments.
- b. Public spaces protection orders consultation
The change in orders was noted.
- c. Changes in community policing
Noted
- d. Chairman's Awards
Noted.

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

- a. It was suggested that something about the 'Connect to Support' website go in the newsletter.
- b. It was reported that some rubbish had been left on the verge on Chapel Hill – the Clerk to talk to East Riding Council.
- c. It was noted that a kerb is being driven over in Dale Road. The Clerk to look into it.
- d. It was reported that a lot of dog fouling bags are being left on Dale Road towards the dale. The Clerk to contact the dog wardens.

938. To confirm the date of the next full Council meeting as January 19th 2016.

Agreed.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.10 pm.