

Welton Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held 16th February 2016 at 7:00 pm

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

963. Public Forum

None required.

964. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. Hughes.

965. Declarations of interest

None were declared.

966. Dispensation Requests

None had been received.

967. To receive the police report

There was one incident in January.

968. To receive the Ward Councillors report

Cllr. Abraham reported on items that she had been asked about previously:

The safety audit for the A63 slip road including traffic lights and junction with Stanley Jackson Way – the area is maintained by Highways England and not East Riding Council and the latter cannot request an audit. The Ward Councillors have requested a meeting with Highways England and will include this matter in any discussions.

Parking on the grass near the primary school – the roads are not yet adopted by East Riding Council but the grass is; posts could be installed to prevent drivers going on the grass but it was considered too costly. The Parish Council cannot take any action as the area is actually in Brough.

The rise of 3.9% in council tax has been approved; this includes 2% for adult care although this 2% does not cover the increased costs.

She was asked whether there could be yellow lines on Broadley Way to stop parking around the junction of Fairfield View; this was not felt to be the solution as it creates more problems with parking.

She was asked whether any Council cuts would affect Welton – she responded that the Council are trying not to make cuts but savings - there are currently consultations on libraries and transport.

There have been further complaints about school buses coming through the village – what is the agreement? The matter to go on the next agenda.

There has been no news on the St Modwen appeal.

969. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting

A number of queries were raised by Cllr. Fairweather but the meeting agreed that the minutes accurately reflected what was said at the meeting. Cllr. Fairweather stated that he thought the minutes were 'a biased view'. The minutes were approved without modification.

Resolved – that the minutes of the meeting held on 19th January 2016 are a true record.

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

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

The holes in the verges on Common Lane were queried – work on these is still outstanding.

971. Finance

- a. To approve the payments listed below:
 - i. £ 566.64 Helena Crutchley Salary & allowance (Standing order)
 - ii. £ 12.97 Orange Phone (Direct Debit)
 - iii. £ 500.00 British Red Cross Grant
 - iv. £ 11.99 G. Latter Email account annual renewal

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

- b. To approve the receipts listed below:
 - i. £ 3.34 Jan Interest (Savings account)
- The receipts were noted.

972. Planning

- a. To agree a response to the following consultations:
 - i. 15/03603/PLF Humberside Police, Wyke Way Construction of an additional 25 car parking spaces, 6 van parking spaces and hard standing for trailers and equipment including landscaping to perimeter

Resolved – that the application be supported
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Fairweather

- ii. 16/00194/PLF 57 Kingscroft Drive Continued use of vehicular access onto Common Lane and installation of 1.8m electric sliding timber gates within the existing fence
It was noted that further plans are expected but the timescales for an amended application are short. Photos of the site were considered; it was suggested that it was quicker to drive out of the estate than out of Common Lane. It was agreed to object to the proposal on several grounds and noted that Council supported the condition on the original outline permission for the estate, which was not to have any access onto Common Lane.

Resolved – that Council objects to the proposal on the grounds that:
The original outline permission for the estate did not allow access to Common Lane and the Parish Council support this;
It would erode the rural character of Common Lane as a country lane;
There is a danger that it would set a precedent;
The road is narrow and not suitable for additional traffic and parking;
It would adversely affect the local amenity for users eg walkers.
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Walker

- iii. 16/00268/PLF 25 Cowgate Erection of two storey side extension to side, replacement doors and windows and render finish to existing brickwork
It was noted that the conservation officer had suggested dark window frames to contrast with the pale render.

Resolved – that Council returns a response supporting the views of the conservation officer.
The resolution was proposed by Cllr. Roberts and seconded by Cllr. Gill

- b. To note the following decisions:
 - i. 15/02550 Welton Mill Disused Dale Road Alterations to form 1no dwelling (AMENDED PLANS)
PC Response: Support
East Riding Decision: Granted with conditions
 - ii. 15/02736 Welton Mill Disused Dale Road Variation of condition 22 (Approved plans for The Mill) of planning reference 09/03527/PLF
PC Response: Support

- iii. East Riding Decision: Granted with conditions
15/03754/PLF 34 Common Lane Erection of two storey extension to rear following demolition of existing conservatory
PC Response: Support
East Riding Decision: Granted
- iv. 14/01499/STPLFE Land West, South and South East of Melton Waste Park Gibson Lane South Erection of 3 wind turbines (70m high to hub, 117m high to tip, 92m rotor diameter) on industrial land adjacent to the consented Seneca wind cluster on Gibson Lane with associated site roads and electrical connections infrastructure [Turbine 1: E496427 N425524 Turbine 2: E496665 N425000 Turbine 3: E497341 N425147] AMENDED
PC Response: Objection (PC Considered it together with 14/03951/STPLFE)
Welton Parish Council has considered these applications and objects to both. The increase in the proposed length of blades does not go any way towards mitigating the Council's previous grounds for objection – indeed Council feels that this will exacerbate the issues.
I re-iterate the grounds for objection:
- The impact of noise and possible shadow flicker would be detrimental to residents and businesses
 - The adverse visual impact on the Humber estuary landscape – the area is classified as a Zone 2 level of Natural Heritage Sensitivity ie High sensitivity to wind energy development
 - The potential negative impact on birds. The 'Planning for Renewable Energy Developments' document published by East Riding of Yorkshire Council states that: 'The Humber Estuary supports a number of internationally important bird populations, many of which are in danger of extinction, are rare, or are considered vulnerable within the European Union'. 'The Estuary is protected by every national and European biodiversity designation'.
 - The cumulative effect of additional turbines to those already approved, having a bigger and more intense impact.
- East Riding Decision: Granted with conditions

The decisions were noted. Cllr. Roberts had been contacted by Dan Grierson in relation to the community fund which will be financed from turbine development. It is thought that this will be managed by East Riding Council – the Clerk to contact them about how to benefit from the fund.
Cllr. Abraham left the meeting.

973. Mill Dam

- a. **To consider the correspondence from Martyn Pedley and agree any action needed**
Mr Pedley's letter gave support for the work planned by the Parish Council but suggests that a large part of the problem is caused by water coming from Kidd Lane and Chapel Hill. He suggests that the drains on Kidd Lane are angled incorrectly and that there are no drains or grips above Chapel Hill. It was agreed that the Clerk write to East Riding Council, including Mr Pedley's letter, to ask for additional drainage. The Chair to thank Mr Pedley for his letter.
- b. **To receive an update on progress by Mason Clark and agree any actions needed**
Mason Clark are progressing with the specification and had raised some queries. They asked about location of gas and electric lines – not known by Councillors. There was a query about who would be the 'Employers Delegate' –John Clark has said he could do this if Mason Clark are contracted as part of the project; they have quoted for project management but it was thought that the project management would be an element of the tender. It was agreed to wait and see the specification and tender documents. The meeting discussed what to do with the fish during the work – it was thought that someone would be able to provide a holding service.
There has been no further news on taking electricity from the churchyard.
Correspondence had been received from a resident showing discussion about the problems with the pondweed, with a doctor of biology at Leeds University; the resident suggested inviting the doctor to take a look at the pond. Council welcomed his interest but

agreed that it would not be appropriate at this time as plans were in hand to deal with the problems.

974. To review the Community Plan Event and Dave Hickling's report and agree actions required

The Chair started the discussion by thanking everyone who had input to the event to make it a very successful evening. She particularly thanked Councillor Roberts and the Clerk. Cllr. Roberts followed with a debrief saying that he felt the event had been successful with over eighty people attending and some valuable discussion and sharing of ideas and contacts. The recommendation coming out of the event from Dave Hickling, is to form a steering group of interested people to put together a plan. There was lengthy discussion about whether to have one meeting of everybody or several covering either each topic or a couple of topics. There was some debate about how to provide the best leadership and advice and how much to involve the parish council. It was eventually agreed to set up a large meeting and invite everyone who volunteered their details. It was also agreed to invite Dave Hickling although it was noted that the plan needs to be 'owned' by councillors and residents. The Clerk to look into availability for the Hall (and sort out a date for the Annual Parish Meeting).

975. To agree any action regarding repairs to the Top Green

One post has been knocked over by a large vehicle – it is believed that large vehicles (one carrying a mobile home had been seen) are following satnavs into the village, despite the weight restrictions.

It was agreed to repair the damage (with a maximum budget of £300).

Resolved – that Top Green be repaired to reinstall one post.

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

976. To agree whether to meet with representatives from South Hunsley School regarding Lowfield Lane

Following the decision to object to the closure of Lowfield Lane, the school had requested a meeting to discuss options; it was noted that a decision cannot be reversed within six months. There was a discussion about whether to have a meeting, whether to visit the school or whether to invite them to attend a Council meeting so that any discussion could take place in the public domain. It was agreed to invite them to attend the March meeting.

Resolved – that representatives from South Hunsley School be invited to attend the March meeting to discuss Lowfield Lane

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

977. To discuss proposal from the Memorial Hall Trustees regarding hire agreements

The Clerk to complete one form for regular meetings with a list of dates attached to the form and further individual forms for additional meetings. This arrangement will apply from 1st June 2016.

978. To agree how to spend Commuted sums

It was agreed that the sum could be put towards the costs of setting up allotments – the Clerk to talk to the Commuted Sums officer.

Resolved – that the sum be used towards the cost of establishing allotments at St Anne's School

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

979. To note correspondence received

- a. ERNLLCA are offering training in Advanced Chairmanship – Cllr. Roberts to attend
- b. The information on the traffic order for Pool Bank Layby was noted
- c. South Hunsley School Swimming Pool – an email had been received from South Cave Parish Council asking for views on the pool and any interest in joining them to meet South Hunsley School – it was agreed that there was no need to be involved at this stage; the Clerk to respond giving details of efforts to date and copy letters sent to South Hunsley School. It was also noted that the campaign group want to put their petition on the

website – it was agreed that this should go on their own webpage (linked from the Councils) but not on the Council pages.

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

A new noticeboard has been installed on Brickyard Lane – a resident has passed on thanks for installing one south of the A63. It was reported that one of the locks is sticking – the Clerk to contact Woodcraft.

The note on transport issues from Helen Reynolds to be discussed next time.

Dog fouling in Welton Dale – the Clerk has contacted the dog wardens; the possibility of a bin to be put on the next agenda.

981. To confirm the date of the next full Council meeting as March 15th 2016.

Agreed.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.22 pm.