

Wellow Parish Council

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Minutes of Meeting of Wellow Parish Council

Monday 15^h May 7.30 at Memorial Hall, Wellow

**Those Present Cllrs E Meyer, N Brown, J Ragsdale, G Parkin
District Cllr S Carlton Cllr L Tift
Parish Clerk C Wigman and 1 member of the Public**

- 1 Declarations of intent to record, film or photograph the meeting by members of the public or the press**
There were none
- 2 To receive apologies for absence**
There were none
- 3 Declarations of members interest in agenda items**
None
- 4 To approve minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 20th March 2023**
Proposed as a true record Cllr G Parkin seconded Cllr J Ragsdale All in favour
- 5 Matters arising Regarding letter to R Boardman in respect of Notice Board, also note Clerks enquiries to other Maypole councils ongoing,**
The clerk reported that she had not yet received a reply to her letter of 14/04/2023. Cllr Ragsdale reported that he had seen former Cllr J Crofts today who said she was going to speak to Mr Boardman about the Noticeboard following the clerk's email. Cllr Parkin said he would – with the council's approval would also speak to Mr Boardman with a view to getting the matter resolved.
- 6 to receive questions and petitions from members of the public – for information only**
there are concerns regarding speeding and near miss outside Wellow House School.
- 7 Reports from the District and County Councillors**
*District Cllr S Carlton gave his report, key elements - A616 has had temporary repairs but it has been proposed that it is resurfaced and resealed by a machine gang end to end of the village.
Cllr Carlton has given a donation of £600 to the Maypole fund to cover the cost of the Road Closure on Maypole Day.
As the number of houses has increased in the Area a donation of £800 has been given to ROB glass to help cover the costs of the collection boxes provided to new homes joining the scheme.
No planning application has been received to date in respect of the Recycling Plant Incinerator*

Cllr L Tift arrived at meeting 7.40 direct from another meeting at Castle House, having just been elected she had no report but came to meet the council and to check on village concerns

8 Finance

- Clerks report and payments due - clerks wages

Clerk advised Auditor was due to inspect the accounts on Friday 19th May 2023

- Balance sheet - current account, Maypole Reserve Fund acct

Balance sheet had been prepared to 31/3/2023 showing

Maypole reserve fund £7499.10; Current Acct £3870.48 unrepresented cheques £146.43

- note expenditure and payments re Coronation Big Lunch from Jubilee Grant

The cost of the event will be covered by the £200 Jubilee Grant from Newark and Sherwood D.C. (the Tea Dance was cancelled due to the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth)

Reimbursement for costs for purchase Souvenir Mugs, Pens toys; Wine for Toast, Decorations, disposable glasses platters, napkins, Tea coffee and Sugar totalling £126.34 to the Clerk, and £27.50 to Cllr J Ragsdale for catering costs.

Proposed Cllr N Brown, Seconded G Parkin all in favour. Additional cost will be for the Hall but we will come in just under the Grant.

Thanks are due to the generous donations of food by residents attending the event which helped to keep costs to a minimum. Clerk also thanked everyone who gave practical help on the day.

9 Dyke maintenance works – update

Clerk to confirm with Baugh Horticulture, that the Council would like him to monitor the Dyke during the year and continue with ongoing maintenance

10 Councillor vacancies - only 4 nominations received for the 7 seats on council, meaning these were not contested and an Election was not called by Newark and Sherwood District Council. This is true of almost all local parish councils this year. Council to discuss advertising for 3 remaining vacancies

The Clerk will prepare a Notice to advertise the vacancies and to high light that there are now only 6 scheduled meeting in the year.

11 Planning Applications - none at time of writing

None received

12 Fly Tipping on Coggles Lane - worrying increase in fly tipping, Council to discuss way forward

There has been a marked increase in Fly tipping within year as fast as one is removed another appears. The clerk was asked to contact NSDC to high light the problem and see if cameras could be installed

13 Pot Hole - Corner of the Garage entrance to Eakring Road - to discuss action to this recurrent problem

The pothole is over the kerb onto the resident's property and whilst this has previously been reported to and repaired by VIA a more permanent solution is needed. Cllr Carlton said he would mention this to VIA and try and find a way forward

14 Response from York Archaeology requesting re consideration of Councils decision on Dark Lanes

Following discuss and additional information provided by York Archaeology, the Council agreed to the work being carried out on the Dyke (under the Councils responsibility) providing

Before and after photographs are taken,

confirmation is received that York Archaeology put back to original condition

and that the Council would like to monitor the work being done. The clerk to send this decision to York Archaeology

15 Play Park working Party recommendations, quotes for work etc

The report had been previously circulated, the proposals were

Paint the Play equipment and that the paint is purchased and work done volunteers – Proposed Cllr Parkin seconded Cllr Meyer – All in Favour

Proposed that Gate entrances and grids are restored – proposed that quotes supplied by C Baugh are accepted Cllr Parkin, seconded Cllr Ragsdale All in favour

Plastic caps needed on some gateposts – to be sourced

Recommended that the hedge cutting to be reviewed in the Autumn after nesting had ceased

The Spring Monkey and Seesaw whilst deemed safe by the report are showing signs of wear – clerk to look into the costings of replacements. Cllr Carlton suggested that Capital Grants might be available for renewal of Play Equipment

16 Village Plan - work completed so far

Dog Bins purchased for Wellow Dam area and Coggles Lane entrance, council will pay for the emptying of these By NSDC

Notice Board at the Bus shelter has been re-sited to make it more weather resistant – will be monitored

Allotments details are now on the Web Page, as are booking details for the Memorial Hall and May Pole Court

Resurfacing of Main Road – repairs have been done and resurfacing and sealing due this summer

Speeding and Lighting issues – have been reported

Council will pay the annual renewal of the Web Page

The Play Park is safe and is subject to Annual Inspections, cost of renewing equipment is very high (see item 15)

Cost of Village Signs is prohibitive at present £12,000 plus which even with match funding is unaffordable given the commitment the Council has to maintain and replace the Maypole (minutes January 2023 item 17), maintain the Dyke and Playpark.

17 to note correspondence circulated by email

Noted

18 Time and Date next meeting

Next meeting 17th July 2023 - 7.30 at Memorial Hall

Meeting closed 8.40

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