

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 7th June 2018 at 6:30pm in Walesby Village Hall

Meeting opened 6:30pm

Present: Cllr Smith Cllr Slingsby Cllr Woodhouse
Cllr Wager Cllr Whittaker-Smith

1. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Samuel who was away with work and Cllr Ashall who had a prior engagement.

2. To receive declarations of interest

None received

18/48 To confirm the minutes of previous Parish Council Meetings

The minutes of the meeting held on 03/05/2018 were approved:

Prop: Cllr Samuel Sec: Cllr Woodhouse

18/49 Clerk's report on items from the previous meeting

The Clerk reported that:

- The new fridge and kettles were now in the kitchen.
- The insurance had been renewed.
- The internal audit had been completed.
- They had contacted Highways regarding the village signs. If the Parish Council decide to replace the signs it will be at their expense although match funding through grant application may be available in the future. Clerk to contact Ollerton & Boughton Town Council to ask details about the funding behind theirs and a rough idea of cost.

18/50 Hall / Ground Maintenance

As concerns about the ground maintenance had particularly been raised on this issue by Cllr Ashall, Clerk was asked to add this item to the agenda for the next meeting. The current contract for the ground maintenance runs until March 2019.

Cllr Smith to contact Steve Grise regarding the erection of the flag pole and also the outdoor painting as trying to get tradesmen to give quotes for the work seems impossible.

18/51 Willows Café

Cllr Slingsby read the following report: *"Sales continue to grow, last week we took £184. I've prepared a couple of graphs to show you how we're expanding.*

We held our Afternoon Tea on 20th May. Tickets went extremely quickly, although we had some last minute drop outs and some no shows. It was really well received, the guests donated £84 to the team in thanks so I will be taking the volunteers out for lunch. It cost around £150 for the catering for 50 people, and £50 for the entertainment. The preparation of the event was much easier than the first time around, we had better awareness of time required and food volumes and we'd certainly do this again in future.

We donated £140 to the Party in the Park – half from the raffle at the afternoon tea, and the profits from the Friday café.

We've got some interest in sponsoring some other streets for the poppies – Key Builders will do Central Avenue, individuals are prepared to pay for other roads. We have signed up a few people who want to nominate people to dedicate the poppies to. We are planning to have a wartime café, and potentially have some old vehicles and some alignment with the school. We received a mail from NCC who are offering grants of up to

£300 for war commemoration events, I wondered if we should apply for a small grant (say £100) to pay for food/decorations/printing of information. I have also been asked (again) by the person who donated the flagpole when we are going to get this installed and we really should have this in place for the event.

We had to delay the film night, we are proposing 30th June but I'm getting concerned that we have had no publicity out yet and it is getting tight to get the right level of interest. We are planning for the summer party on 22nd July, we have confirmed a number of participants for that. I sent out an email about a potential repair club, but not had much feedback."

It was agreed that the Clerk would look at applying to the Nottinghamshire County Council's Community Commemoration Funding for £150 to put towards food & advertising for a launch event for the proposed Poppy trail arrange the village.

18/52 To approve the accounts annual governance statement for 2017/18

Prop: Cllr Slingsby

Sec: Cllr Wager

18/53 To approve the Accounting Statements 2017/2018

Prop: Cllr Woodhouse

Sec: Cllr Slingsby

18/54 Rubbish in the Churchyard

Cllr Smith reported that Cllr Spratly had reported to him that there appeared to be some rubbish which had been thrown over into the churchyard from the allotments.

Cllr Whitaker-Smith offered to investigate the claim as she was going to visit a family grave in the churchyard. Cllr Whitaker-Smith to report to Clerk. If there did appear to be rubbish being disposed of from the allotments into the churchyard, the Clerk is to send a letter to all the allotment holders asking them to dispose of their rubbish responsibly.

Clerk asked to contact the Church regarding this matter.

18/55 Payments for approval

Prop: Cllr Wager

Sec: Cllr Woodhouse

18/56 To receive items for information and future meetings

The Electric contract is coming to an end, Clerk to look at prices for next meeting.

An email had been received from NSDC asking the Parish Council to consider banning sky lanterns and balloon releases from their property due to the devastating consequences they can cause to animals and the environment. This was agreed unanimously, with Cllr Smith adding that due to our proximity to Gamston Airport the CAA wouldn't look favourably on this type of event anyway.

Clerk to contact Walesby Forest regarding any road restrictions which may be put in place during their hosting of an International Jamboree at the end of July.

18/57 To suspend standing orders for public participation

Standing orders were suspended for public comment

18/58 Time and date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 6:30pm on Thursday 5th July 2018 at the village hall.

Meeting closed at 8.08pm