

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 9th January 2019 at 6:30pm in Walesby Village Hall

Meeting opened 6:33pm

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

1. To receive and accept apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from, Cllr Tapper who had a longstanding prior engagement. Cllr Wager apologised for missing the last meeting.

2. To receive declarations of interest

None

20/01 To confirm the minutes of previous Parish Council Meetings

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved:

Prop: Cllr Slingsby Sec: Cllr Woodhouse

20/02 Clerk's report on items from the previous meeting

- Clerk waiting for suggested dates from Rev. Burton, it was suggested that if nothing had been heard in the following 2 weeks the Clerk should write a letter regarding the concerns of the graveyard etc.
- The Yew Trees in the churchyard have had a 6 month Tree Protection Order placed on them by N&SDC.
- Nothing has been heard from Highways regarding the trees on Retford Road.

20/03 Trees around the village

General thoughts were to request 14 Oak, 16 Rowan & 20 Hawthorn from the N&SDC tree scheme. Clerk to start to fill paperwork in for it to be confirmed at the next meeting before submitting the final request.

Clerk also to check out whether any of the trees from the personal tree scheme are still available to those who missed the original deadline.

20/04 N&SDC Grant Scheme: To discuss possible projects at the Village Hall

Clerk has a meeting arranged on 16th January with Trusted Energy Solutions to discuss the feasibility and rough costs of installing solar panels at the village hall. It was therefore decided to discuss this at the next meeting when the facts and figures were available.

20/05 Willows Café

The Willows Café will split from the Parish Council to form the Willows Community Hub, which will be a non-profit making organisation. Willows Community Hub will take on the financing and running of village events. By splitting from the Parish Council it will allow them to support and access a wider range of causes and resources not available to Parish Council. It is proposed that the split be dated as 1st December as this was the original set up date of the Willows Café. As there was £1,241.56 cash in hand at the end of the Willows Café year it was proposed that £700 was used as start-up funding for the Willows Community Hub and £541.56 be paid into Parish Council funds as the last income from the café.

Prop: Cllr Samuel Sec: Cllr Wager

The split was unanimously agreed and Parish Council agreed that they would be interested in receiving regular reports regarding the Willows Community Hub.

20/06 To decide on Precept request for the coming financial year to include of a review of the year so far

Following a discussion it was decided to request a precept of £39250.00 for the financial year 20/21, just over 2.6% increase on 19/20.

Prop: Cllr Samuel Sec: Cllr Woodhouse

20/07 Payments for approval

Prop: Cllr Wager Sec: Cllr Slingsby

20/08 To receive items for information and future meetings

- Planning application 19/02273/FUL; erection of single storey extension to side and rear 30 Ashvale Road. This application was supported by Parish Council with no additional comments.
- Letters will be sent out to allotment holders who don't look after their allotments.

20/09 To suspend standing orders for public participation

20/10 Time and date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 6:30pm on Thursday 6th February 2020 at the village hall.

Meeting closed at 7:48pm