

WESTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Monday
19th September 2016

Present; Cllrs Newton, Harper, Bowles, Green and Pendenque, District Cllr Mrs H Coyle and County Cllr Rob Davison

In the absence of Cllr Mrs Record Cllr Newton took the chair.

Public participation

1 member of the public attended. The question of the state of grass verges in the village was raised – the possibility of larger lorries unloading into smaller ones was suggested as a way of preserving the verges. It was noted that where the skip was on the grass on Main Street there is a dip in the pavement.

District Councillor's report

Cllr Mrs Coyle reported that a decision on the Weston Road planning application is expected in October. She attended the recent SAVE meeting about the proposed development in Moor Lane Aston – there seems to be no planning reasons why this one should not go through.

County Cllr report.

Cllr Davison gave an update on BT – there is a voucher scheme from the roll out fund to provide funding for alternative satellite or wireless services.

Secondary school provision - the location for a new 800 place school is being put forward to SDDC , several sites have been looked at including Findern and Melbourne. Cllr Davison does not support these as Findern is too far west and Melbourne would involve travelling over the Causeway. As the majority of new homes will be built in our area he feels that is where the school should be, he therefore supports sites at Thulston Fields, south of Boulton Moor which is green belt land and Lowes Farm , north of Swarkestone on the A50.

The initial proposals are available for the new parliamentary constituency boundaries in the East Midlands

1.Apologies for absence- Cllrs Mrs Record, Williamson and District Cllr N Atkin

2.Declaration of Interests

None declared

3 .Minutes of the previous meeting, having been previously circulated the minutes were deemed to have been read and were agreed as a true record of the meeting held on 15th August 2016 with the following exception; Cllr Pendenque attended the meeting.

4.Matters arising

Attendance at MENT meetings – a reply has now been received from Cllr Whyman and Weston’s attendance at these meetings will be discussed at the next meeting of the airport Independent Consultative Committee on 14th October.

School parking – still awaiting a reply about the possibility of school safety signs

Wicksteed Leisure will be doing the annual equipment inspection on 15th October

5. Reports

Clerk’s report;

Watering the plant boxes at the entrance to the village – Cllrs to keep an eye on them depending on the amount of rain.

The next Safer Neighbourhoods meeting is on October 10th at Barrow on Trent

Rubbish freighter – after a mix up of dates the freighter will be in the village on Saturday 24th September.

Cllr Green and I attended the SAVE meeting about the proposed planning application for Moor Lane in Aston.

The Clerk from Aston has contacted me about overgrown hedges protruding onto the footway in Willow Park Way – clerk will check and write to the house holder.

The next Acre Lane sand and gravel meeting is on 27th September

6. Planning

9/2016/0898 the erection of 37 care apartments (use class C2) and a village club house in lieu of 36 dwellings approved under planning permission 9/2014/0232 (to form an extension to the care retirement village) together with reconfiguration of 38 dwellings previously approved under the same permission on land off Maple Drive, Aston on Trent – no objection.

9/2016/0842 The demolition of existing single storey dwelling and outbuildings and construction of a new two storey dwelling with associated external works at Tower Farm, Swarkestone Road, Weston on Trent. The Parish Council objects to this application as it is outside the village boundary.

7. Correspondence

Snow warden scheme – the annual scheme asking parishes to supply people to clear their own snow has been received, it was decided not to participate.

Correspondence for the circulation
Clerks and Councils Direct

8. Grass cutting

Grass cutting – this is an ongoing problem as our mower has been in for repair for three weeks. We have been informed it will cost over one thousand pounds to repair. Clerk to ask Cllr Williamson if he can get a second opinion, in the meantime clerk will ask Brian Bewley if he can cut The Green and recreation ground. Options to be discussed at the finance meeting.

9. Scotch Bridge

The state of the bridge is still causing concern.

10. Christmas arrangements

It was agreed to have a large tree (around 22 feet) and have it in position by 1st December with a switch on ceremony on 2nd December.

11. Finance

Invoices awaiting payment;
Clerk's wages £200
Clerk's expenses £155.72 (includes new printer)
NFU Mutual Insurance £14.27
Sefton £58.36
B Bewley for grass cutting £120
S Cooper for grass cutting £455.70

The meeting closed at 9.20

