

## WESTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018

**Present;** Cllrs, Newton, Green Mrs A Record, Mrs L Freeman, Pendenque  
and County Cllr Neil Atkin

2 members of the public attended

It was noted that Roy Holmes' funeral is on 23<sup>rd</sup> January, Cllr Mrs Record  
will represent the Parish Council.

### **Public session**

Rosalind Nicklin from Richmond Homes attended the meeting and spoke  
about a possible joint venture involving developing an area of land as part of  
the Royal Horticulture Society's 'It's Your Neighbourhood scheme'. The  
Parish Council suggested an allotment plot may be a good first step. Ms  
Nicklin will consult back with the residents to see if they would like to do  
this.

### **District Councillor's report**

Cllr Atkin spoke about the need to promote the Area Forum and Safer  
Neighbourhoods meetings as attendance is poor. The Councillors voiced their  
opinion that the start time is always too early for people who work.  
He asked to be kept informed about the possible proposed boundary change.  
He left a report which included updates on the bus service and Elvaston  
Castle.

**1.Apologies-** Cllrs Harper and Bowles

**2. Cllr 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 December 20<sup>th</sup> 2017 (copy attached) with the following exception – Cllr Green was at the meeting.

**4. Matters arising**

Information boards – Cllr Green reported that the board design is progressing well.

Christmas arrangements – the lights were removed on 6<sup>th</sup> January and are being stored at Cllr Harper's

Mower – awaiting interested parties to view

Possible boundary review – a meeting was held with Mr Frank McArdle – chair of SDDC and representatives from Aston and Weston Parish Councils. He explained the process which would happen if Aston proceed with their request. At the end of the meeting he asked if either Council wished to change their position – Aston wish the review to go ahead and Weston do not. We have a copy of Aston's reasons and we need to put together Weston's reasons. Cllr Newton to draft

Post in Willow Park Way at entrance to the cinder path. This is still there and could be dangerous, the Councillors agreed to look at how it is put in.

**5. Reports;**

Chair's report; not available

Clerk's report;

Over Christmas a parishioner contacted me about glass on the Recreation Ground, he had removed most of it and I checked the field and found some more. Hopefully this was a one- off but we will keep checking.

Whilst dealing with this I discovered the chain from the gate was not there, after checking that the grass cutters had not removed it, some more chain and a good quality padlock have been purchased.

It has been suggested that a plaque be added to the bench in memory of Norma and Roy Holmes, this was agreed and Cllr Mrs Record agreed to sort.

The Clerk reminded everyone that Kerry Bailey, project officer at DCC will attend the February meeting to talk about fibre broadband provision.

Footpath Officers report

All paths are in good condition although very muddy in places. Cllr Green is checking the paths down at the quarry.

**6. Planning** – 9/2017/1397 The erection of a single storey rear extension at 20 Willow Park Way, Aston on Trent. The Council has no objection

## **7. Correspondence**

Highway Capital Projects – Cllr Atkin asked for any ideas from the parish, this has been sent to him which included kerb edging on the triangle in Trent Lane, matting in Trent Lane, a footpath over the bridge in Trent Lane, safety mirror for safe turn into park Lane and improvements at Swarkestone.

Area Forum and Safer Neighbourhood meetings – posters received for meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> February

Elvaston Castle report – circulation

St Mary's Church sent thanks for participating in the Christmas Tree Festival

**8. Finance**

Invoices awaiting payment

Clerk's expenses £63.29

Clerk's wages £200

Padlock and chain £36.99

Greenstripes grass cutting £382.50

The budget which was set at the finance meeting was ratified. The precept was set at £13,500

Meeting closed at 9.25