

# Weedon Parish Council

Clerk to the Council Mrs Ruth Millard

## Minutes of a Meeting of Weedon Parish Council held in The Old Schoolroom on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 8.00pm

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### Open Forum for Parishioners: (under adjournment)

District Cllr AB gave a district report which included;

- The lime cart, a new initiative selling online gardening products.
- Planning changes, when a council registers to speak in front of the Council committee its application will be vetted and if it is not properly based on material planning reasons it will not be heard. Also if a Parish Council registers to speak but does not attend the item will not be discussed and the Planning Officers recommendation will stand.
- ALVP, the answers from the consultation are being collated. The Plan is due to be submitted April 2017.

**24/16 Attendance:** Cllr Joanna Rose, Cllr Tom Jameson-Evans, Cllr Wendy Kett, Cllr Nigel Winnett, Cllr Justin Sellers, Cllr Mark Talbot, Cllr Stephen Gradley  
District Cllr Ashley Bond  
**Clerk** - Ruth Millard  
**Apologies:** Netta Glover and PC Danny Fahy

**25/16 Members' Interests;** Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Weedon Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011.  
Cllr JR declared an interest item 28/16 (a) (iii). Fortescue track gates.

**26/16 Approval of Minutes;** To agree and sign the minutes from the Meetings of Weedon Parish Council held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2016  
**Resolved;** the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2016 are approved and are signed as a true record of the meeting.

**27/16 Planning.** No new plans to date.

**28/16 Environment.** To report and discuss any issues arising.

**a Footpaths, Footways and Highways,** including

- i. Stiles to Kissing Gates project; the Council thanked Cllr WK for her diligence in moving this project on. There are just 4 stiles that have not been changed.
- ii. Speed Control MVAS; Cllr MT reported that every thing was fine and the next change of location would take place after Easter.
- iii. Fortescue track gates. After a short discussion regarding the various quotes that have been received the Council;

**Resolved;** to purchase Oak posts, a picket track gate with matching pedestrian gate in soft wood from Crockett. All new ironmongery. Not to request a contribution elsewhere, as the price is within budget.

**Action; T J-E**

- iv. After a short discussion regarding the letters sent to residents regarding the trees and hedges that were encroaching on the lamps, the Council noted that 2 residents had not responded.

**Resolved;** to monitor the situation as it was now the nesting season, and if necessary the Council would need to issue a formal notice before cutting the encroachment and invoicing the residents.

**b Street Lighting.** No update, the Clerk to follow up with Aylesbury Main, regarding the work requested from them.  
**Action; RM**

**c Play Area.** The Council thanked Cllr T J-E for fixing the spring on the large gate. Cllr JR reported that the soil under the safety mats is eroding. She has an appointment to meet a representative of the play equipment and will discuss with them how to best rectify the situation.

**Resolved;** to ratify the Tree Planning Application that had been submitted to AVDC. Have a voluntary day to do the work in the Park.

**d Pond, Grass, Hedges and Verges,** including

- i. Pond.

**Resolved;** The Council is pleased with the longer posts but now that it is the nesting season the purchase of the duck house will have to be deferred until the autumn.

- ii. Grass-cutting of verges and Village horticultural.

**Resolved;** that the Council is pleased with the first cut.

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## e Management of the Weedon Graveyard

### i. Burial charges;

**Resolved;** Not to be involved in any way with the grave digging. Agreed the fees to be published and the regulations to be published. It was noted that the Clerk at Stone had given a lot of help, regarding the forms that were needed.

### ii. Tree management. T J-E reported that he had cut the ivy down in the Chapel area.

**Resolved;** to ratify the Tree Planning Application that had been submitted to AVDC. Have a voluntary day to do the larger work in the Chapel area.

## f Best Kept Village competition 2016. It was noted that the point scoring is different again this year.

Discussion of how to let the judges have access to the inside of the Schoolroom. Noted that there was a village clean up organised for the 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

**Resolved;** to add the key safe number onto the application form. To remind residents, by email, to clean up their frontages in time for the BKV competition. Clerk to remind Terry Lynch to weed kill by mid May.

## g 52 Aston Abbotts Road;

**Resolved;** It was noted that the council has contact with the Manager. To monitor the parking activities outside of the home.

## 29/16 Finance & Accounts.

### a To agree financial statements of accounts and bank reconciliations for year to date to end Feb 2016

**Resolved;** that the documents were noted.

#### Accounts January/February 2016

....3205	30.01.2015		26281.74
....7936	30.01.2015		1000.00
....3205	26.02.2016		25489.64
....7936	26.02.2016		1000.00

#### Income January/February 2016

9 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	Bank Interest		1.04
9 <sup>th</sup> December 2016	Bank Interest		1.21

### b To draw cheques and ratify cheques drawn since the last meeting.

**Resolved;** Pay the invoices received for January/February 2015.

Payee	Power	Cheque	Amount
Opus, invoice 10/02/2015	LGA 1972 s14 para 27	DD	91.10
Opus, invoice 10/03/2016	LGA 1972 s14 para 27	DD	84.06
ICO, sent Direct Debit Instructions	LGA 1972, s111		
Michael Moore, duck food, <b>reissued</b>	LGA 1972, s137	001328	55.45
Weedon Methodist Church, <b>reissued</b>	LGA 1972, s133	001329	140.00
Chris Race, hosting website 2016/17		001330	72.00
ER Millard – Jan 2016 remuneration	LGA 1972 s112	001331	277.14
The Old Schoolroom, Weedon, invoice 6382	LGA 1972, s133	001332	13.00
CIB, PC <b>resolved</b> not to subscribe this year		001333	Destroyed
ER Millard – Feb 2016 remuneration	LGA 1972 s112	001334	227.14
The Old Schoolroom, invoice 6364 & 6397	LGA 1972, s133	001335	25.00
Joanna Rose, Duck Food	LGA 1972, s137	001336	55.45
ER Millard – March 2016 remuneration	LGA 1972 s112	001337	277.34
HMRC	LGA 1972 s112	001338	13.60
Lynch Garden Services, invoice 4367 & 4368		001339	440.00
Best Kept Village Competition	LGA 1972, s137	001340	20.00

### c Year end procedures for accounts are to stay the same as they have been for the next 2 years.

## 30/16 Communications. To review content and report any issues.

### a. Website b. Parish magazine/newsletter; article for May edition.

- Best Kept Village
- Annual Parish Meeting & Annual Parish Council Meeting
- Extra footpath gates

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Cllr JR reported that she had a meeting with Ralph Followell tomorrow. He wanted to resurrect the Welcome Pack that used to be given out to newcomers to the village and wanted to know what she thought about the idea.

## 31/16 Correspondence and communications including reports on Local Area Forum and training courses

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 02.02.2016 T2 Devolution - final deadline for agreements</li><li>• 10.02.2016 AVALC - Minutes of the January, 2016 Executive Meeting</li><li>• 12.02.2016 Agenda for Greater Aylesbury Local Area Forum, Monday 22nd February 2016, 6.30 pm</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 12.02.2016 New Financial Regs</li><li>• 19.02.2016 Urban Grass Cutting</li><li>• 23.02.2016 Your Community, Your Care</li><li>• 01.03.2016 Best Kept Village Competition 2016</li><li>• 04.03.2015 Annual Audit Training</li></ul>
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**Resolved;** that the correspondence was noted.

**32/16 Date of next meeting.** To agree the date – provisionally Wed 18<sup>th</sup> May 2016 in The Chapel

Chairman's Signature ..... Date.....