

Weedon Parish Council

Clerk to the Council Mrs Ruth Millard

Minutes of a general meeting of Weedon Parish Council held in The Old Schoolroom Weedon on Wednesday 17 January 2018 at 8.00pm

Present: Cllr J Rose (Chairman), Cllr W Kett, Cllr S Gradley, Cllr J Sellers, Cllr M Talbott, Cllr T Jameson-Evans, Bucks County Cllr Netta Glover & District Cllr Ashley Bond

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Members of the Public:

01/18 Apologies: Cllr N Winnett,

02/18 Open Forum for Parishioners: (under adjournment)

Cllr Glover gave her usual report giving an update what is happening at Bucks CC.

03/18 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. None declared.

04/18 Approval of Minutes. Members **RESOLVED** and the chair signed the minutes from a Planning Meeting of Weedon Parish Council held on 6 December 2017, as an accurate record.

05/18 Planning. None to date

06/18 Finance & Accounts.

a To agree financial statements of accounts and bank reconciliations for the end December 2017

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

January balances

Treasurers Account7936	30 December 2017	1000.00
Business Account3205	30 December 2017	30552.11
Business Account3205	Interest – 9 December 2017	1.38

Direct Debits

OPUS energy , invoices 10.11.2017-09.12.2017	LGA 1972,Sched.14 para 34	DD	120.62
OPUS energy , invoices 10.12.1017-09.01.2018	LGA 1972,Sched.14 para 34	DD	128.76
Green Thumb , ref Chapel, 1 January 2018	LGA 1972, s214	DD	5.17
Green Thumb , ref Play area, 1 January 2018	LG(misc prov)A 1976, s19	DD	16.00

Online Bank Payment

Crocketts Gates Ltd , inv 7425, remaining due		OBP	397.10
AVDC, Dog waste service , 04/2017-03/2018		OBP	72.06

c Budget – Members discussed and **RESOLVED** a budget for 2018/19 of £15539.00 – Fifteen Thousand, Five Hundred and Thirty Nine Pounds.

d Precept – Members discussed and **RESOLVED** a precept for 2018/19 of £13880.00 – Thirteen Thousand, Eight Hundred and Eighty Pounds

07/18 Environment. To report and discuss any issues arising.

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

i. Speed Control MVAS and Sentinel: MT reported that the AA batteries, needed for the memory when the large batteries are removed, should be replaced immediately. Members agreed, **Action; MT**

JR will continue discussions at the next LAF meeting regarding purchase of a Sentinel unit. The speed notices for the wheelie bins have been distributed to the residents.

b. **Street lighting**, all the lights are in working order.

c. **Play area**

i. Cllr JR reported that John Smith has offered to be a Volunteer to inspect the playground fortnightly. T J-E proposed asking John Smith if he would check the defibrillator fortnightly, at the same time as the play equipment. **Action; JR** to ask John Smith

ii. The new park gates opposite chapel have been installed and are working well.

iii. Members **RESOLVED** to accept Lynch Garden Services quote regarding the work on the Park trees.

iv. MT reported that the bird spikes are on order and he will attach them to the relevant items of play equipment when they arrive.

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- d. **Pond, Grass, Hedges and Verges**, including
 - i. Members asked to see Lynch Garden Services 2018 quote for the grass cutting. **Action; RM** will request a quote for the grass-cutting of verges and village horticultural and ask if the 2nd cut of the park hedge has been done.
 - ii. Members discussed the quotes received for the additional cuts to the verges outside the 30mph on New Road. Members **RESOLVED** to accept GM Outdoor Services quote. **Action; RM** to contact GM Outdoor Services to confirm both grass cutting and road sweeping schedules.
- e. **Management of Weedon Graveyard**, Members **RESOLVED** that the current fees should be held until 31 March 2019.
- f. **Dog Bin**, Members discuss and **RESOLVED** the purchase of a dog bin to site in the vicinity of the Fortescue gates. **Action;** Members would arrange a site visit to agree where to site the bin.
- g. **Number 52:** no problems to report.
- h. **New capital projects.**
 - i. Fingerpost at the village green triangle
 - ii. New planter for village green.
 - iii. New Bench at East End/Aston Abbots Road
JR reported that items i, ii & iii were dependant on a favourable report from the Bucks CC technician Matt Wincup.
 - iv. New bench for corner of park near notice-boards: Members agreed to defer this item until the next Parish Council meeting

08/18 Appointment of Trustees: Members **RESOLVED** to confirm the appointment of Chris Measures, Joanna Rose and Margaret Askew as trustees for the Lord Fortescue Charity and Chris Measures for the Dr. John Bridle charities

08/18 Communications.

- a. To review content and report any issues on the website, including update to mobile-friendly and any special items for parish magazine.
JR reported that she was still waiting confirmation of the switch over to the new version of the website.

09/18 Date of next meeting. Members agreed the date of the next meeting as Wed 21 March 2018 in The Old Schoolroom

Chairman's Signature Date.....