

# Weedon Parish Council

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Minutes of a general meeting of Weedon Parish Council held in The Old Schoolroom Weedon on Wednesday 21 March 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, Cllr N Winnett,  
Bucks County Cllr Netta Glover & District Cllr Ashley Bond  
**Clerk:** Ruth Millard **Members of the Public:** None

**17/18 Apologies:** To receive and accept any apologies.

**18/18 Open Forum for Parishioners:** (under adjournment)  
District Cllr Ashley Bond gave a report from Aylesbury District Council.  
County Cllr Netta Bond gave a report from Bucks County Council.

**19/18 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**

**20/18 Approval of Minutes.** Members **RESOLVED** minutes from a Planning Meeting of Weedon Parish Council held on 8 February 2018 and the chair signed them as an accurate record. The chair also signed an authorised copy of the minutes from January 2018, (originally a draft copy had been signed at the February meeting.)

**21/18 Planning.** No new planning applications at the time of publishing  
a. to discuss a potential planning breach occurring along the Aston Abbotts Road. Members noted a report from MT. He had reported the potential planning breach to AVDC who had replied that it should be reported to Bucks CC. **Action:** MT will inform TfB, as a resident.

**22/18 Finance & Accounts.**  
a To agree financial statements of accounts and bank reconciliations for the end February 2018. Members **RESOLVED** that the accounts were accurate  
b To approve cheques & online banking for this meeting and ratify cheques drawn since the last meeting. Members **RESOLVED** the online payments and requested the Clerk to transfer the total amount of the payments from the, Business Account to the Treasurers Account, in the first instance.  
c Members **RESOLVED** to confirm Weedon Parish Council's Internal Auditor for 2018/19 as Gus Orchard.

## February balance

Treasurers Account ....7936	28 February 2018	<b>1000.00</b>
Business Account ....3205	30 December 2017	<b>28713.75</b>
Business Account ....3205	Interest – 9 February 2018	<b>1.22</b>

## Direct Debits

<b>OPUS energy</b> , invoices 10.01.2018-09.02.2018	LGA 1972,Sched.14 para 34	<b>DD</b>	<b>127.15</b>
<b>Green Thumb</b> , ref Chapel, 1 February 2018	LGA 1972, s214	<b>DD</b>	<b>5.17</b>
<b>Green Thumb</b> , ref Play area, 1 February 2018	LG(misc prov)A 1976, s19	<b>DD</b>	<b>16.00</b>
<b>Data Protection Registration</b> , 16/03/2018	LGA 1972, s111	<b>DD</b>	<b>35.00</b>

## March Online Bank Payment

<b>The Old Schoolroom Weedon</b>	LGA 1972, s133	<b>BP 08</b>	<b>6.50</b>
<b>Sign Wizzard Ltd</b> , Bird defenders	LG(misc prov)A 1976, s19	<b>BP 09</b>	<b>28.98</b>
<b>BALC</b> , General DP & Fol Training Cllr T JE	LGA 1972, s175	<b>BP 10</b>	<b>63.83</b>
<b>BALC</b> , Granting, Exercising & Transferring Rights of Burial Training Cllr WK & Clerk	LGA 1972, s175 & LGA 1972, s111	<b>BP 11</b>	<b>117.12</b>
<b>GM Outdoor Services LTD</b> , Road Sweeping	LGA 1972, s101	<b>BP 12</b>	<b>225.00</b>
<b>ER Millard</b> , Jan, Feb & March Remuneration	LGA 1972, s112	<b>BP 13</b>	<b>885.77</b>
<b>HMRC</b> , 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	LGA 1972, s112	<b>BP 14</b>	<b>4.60</b>
<b>ER Millard</b> , Training, SLCC Subs, Mileage etc	LGA 1972, s111	<b>BP 15</b>	<b>164.60</b>
<b>Joanna Rose</b> , ref Duck Food SI-13873	LGA 1972, s137	<b>BP 16</b>	<b>56.19</b>
<b>Lynch Garden Services, inv. 5370&amp; 5369</b>	LG(misc prov)A 1976, s19	<b>BP 17</b>	<b>452.50</b>
<b>Parochial Church Council of Hardwick</b>	LGA 1972, s214	<b>BP 18</b>	<b>200.00</b>
<b>Race Computing Solutions inv. WPC 007</b>	LGA 1972, s111	<b>BP 19</b>	<b>709.00</b>

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**23/18 Environment.** To report and discuss any issues arising.

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

- i. Speed Control MVAS and Sentinel, members agreed to keep passing the data on to the Police. JR reported that she had spoken to Sue Severn, Councillor for Watermead, who had offered to loan Weedon Parish Council the sentinel equipment. Members **RESOLVED** to accept Watermead's offer. **Action: JR**
- ii. To discuss timetabling village clean-up, road sign cleaning and street sweeping. After a short discussion members **RESOLVED** that Weedon Village Association usually organises the village clean-up therefore WK will contact them. MT said that he could clean the signs for about £100.00. Members **RESOLVED** for him to clean the signs preferably before the end of April.
- iii. WK reported that she had been asked by some residents if the stile, on the footpath to Hardwick could be changed to a kissing gate.. Having obtained permission from the landowner she had contacted the Right of Way officer who has arranged to provide a kissing gate for the land owner to erect.
- iv. JR proposed getting quotes from the 2 contractors for;
  - a. Weed killing pavements and roads
  - b. Siding out each side of the pavement along the Aston Abbots Road. Members **RESOLVED** to have the work done. **Action;** RM will contact the contractors for quotes.

**b. Street lighting;** to discuss & agree a possible modification for the street light outside 4 High Street. Members **RESOLVED** to action the suggestion made by an Aylesbury Mains representative for a conversion which may reduce the glare from the street light into the neighbouring property. **Action: RM** to contact Aylesbury Main and action.

**c. Play area**

- i. Parish Council Volunteer; JR reported that the new volunteer is taking his role very seriously, He has mended the small gate catch & mended the spring fitting on the large gate as well removing bird droppings and reporting on the state of the play equipment.
- ii. Members discussed whether to have an accompanied play ground inspection and the extra cost involved. Members **RESOLVED** to have an accompanied inspection. **Action:** MT also to invite John Smith to join, if he is available.
- iii. Members were pleased with the new park gates opposite chapel although the fitting needed some attention.

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

- i. Members discussed the 2 quotes and **RESOLVED** that the contractor for grass-cutting of verges under devolved services would be Lynch Garden Services. **Action:** RM to contact the contractor and tell them the Council's decision.
- ii. Members discussed the 2 quotes and **RESOLVED** the contractor for village horticultural contract would be GM Outdoor Services LTD. **Action:** RM to contact the contractor and tell them the Councils decision.
- iii. Members discussed the proposal from Shawfield residents regarding 50% contribution to works to a Willow on the pond (PC owned) side of their boundary and **RESOLVED** to accept the Shawfield resident's offer. **Action:** JR would contact them with the Parish Council details for the order & invoice.

**e. Management of Weedon Graveyard,** the Chairman & Clerk signed an EROB certificate.

**f. Dog Bin,** Members discuss the position of a dog bin to site near the Fortescue gate and **RESOLVED** WK suggested site just inside the gate.

**g. Grit Bin;** Members discussed the purchase of a new grit bin for the incline on Aston Abbots Road. The members wanted more information about the colour and style. **Action:** RM to contact TfB and request information about the colour and style of salt bins that they supply.

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h. **Number 52;** No update

i. **Best Kept village competition;** Members confirmed that Weedon Parish Council will enter the competition. **Action;** JR will formulate the documents to register the Parish Council.

j. **New capital projects.** i. Fingerpost at the village green triangle ii. New planter for village green.  
v. New bench for corner of park near notice-boards iv. New Bench at East End/Aston Abbots Road  
Members discussed a new bench for the corner of the park near the notice-boards and **RESOLVED** that there isn't the room to place a bench in the area. This idea is rejected.  
JR reported that the Parish Council is still waiting for a response from the Local Area Technician on the feasibility of the other projects before any work can begin.

**24/18 Modernising Local Government in Buckinghamshire;** Members discussed the PC response to the DCLG re the proposal from Bucks CC for Bucks one-unitary that Sajid Javid is minded to accept. Members **RESOLVED** to reiterate its previous response. **Action;** JR will formulate the response and circulate to the Councillors for comments.

**25/18 Annual Parish Meeting;** Members discussed the usual arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting in May followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting. The Village organisations will be contacted at the beginning of May with an invitation to attend and give their annual reports.

**26/18 Communications.**

a. To review content and report any issues on website, including update to mobile-friendly and any special items for parish magazine. Members are very pleased with the work that has been done on the website to make it mobile-friendly.

**27/18 Date of next meeting.** To agree the date – provisionally APCM Wed 16 May 2018 in The Chapel

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