
Wentworth Parish Council

Minutes of meeting : 12th July 2017

<p>Present Cllr D Lee (Chair)</p> <p>Cllr S Springthorpe</p> <p>CC L Dupré</p> <p>DC S Cheetham</p>	<p>Cllr C Stone</p> <p>Cllr G Lowes</p> <p>Clerk – Mrs A Lowes</p> <p>1 member of the public</p>
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1.	Apologies for absence. DC Hugo, DC Smith and Cllr E Atkin.
2.	Minutes of the last meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.
3.	Matters arising. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The hedge on Church Road has been cut back by the homeowners. The section adjoining the horse field needs some brambles removed from overhanging the pavement.
4.	County Councillors report. CC Dupré reported on the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The report on A142 safety study between Chatteris and Ely which has been delayed from June until the end of August. • Transport planning moving to the control of the new Combined Authority Mayor. • Changes in funding to the Local Highways Improvement scheme. • Cuts and ‘repurposing’ of Children’s Centre’s in Cambridgeshire. • The Communities Partnership Committee. • Items to be discussed at Full Council next week; Railway crossing closures, Police and Crime Commissioner consultation to add Fire service to responsibilities, and potential improvements to junctions on the A10 from Littleport to Cambridge. • The next Meet Your Councillor surgery is on 8th August, 6.30 – 8.30pm in the Community Room at Sutton School. • Cllr Springthorpe asked for an overview of the Constitution and Ethics Committee. • Cllr Lowes asked about the speed limits on roads around the Ely bypass roadworks. Cllr Dupré will send the Clerk further information about this.

5.	<p>District Councillors report. Cllr Cheetham reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource and Finance Committee meeting. • Community Services Committee – final approval of East Cambs. Off street parking places order (attached to Minutes) • Andrew Phillips (Planning) has confirmed that Ref 17/00770/OUM Land behind College Farm, will be recommended for Refusal however he is expecting the applicant to withdraw the application and reduce the scale.
	CC L Dupré and DC S Cheetham left the meeting at 8.07pm
6.	<p>Correspondence. Councillors noted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mepal bridge maintenance and closures during July and August 2017 • The Fire Governance Consultation from the Police and Crime Commissioner. After some discussion, Cllr's agreed that this should not be approved and requested the Clerk to complete the survey.
7.	<p>Planning. Ref: 17/00786/FUL Land rear of Old School House Main Street, Wentworth. Application has been approved.</p>
8.	<p>Playpark maintenance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quotes for playbark were received from Bannold (£35 + VAT per bag) and Sid Bibby (£75 + VAT per bag). Cllrs agreed to purchase from Bannold and the bark has been delivered. • Paths: Cllr Lowes will contact Cllr Atkin to agree a date to begin work. • It was proposed by Cllr Springthorpe and seconded by Cllr Stone that the hedge in the playpark be cut as soon as legally allowed. Cllr Lee will organise this.
9.	<p>Bus shelter on A142.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unfortunately the windows in the bus stop on the A142 have been vandalised. The windows have been removed and the brick work made safe. There are three options for which the Clerk has obtained quotes; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replace the windows – approx. £100 2. Brick up both windows with contrasting brick – approx. £200 3. Leave as is. <p>Cllrs concluded that the bus shelter should be left without windows to prevent the same problem in the future.</p>
10.	<p>Accounts for payment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wentworth Parochial Church Council (Hall Hire 12th July 2017) £15.00 • Wentworth fundraising (Publication of minutes 12th July 2017) £10.00 • Playpark lease from Oct 2016 to Sept 2022 £6.00 <p>Proposed by Cllr Springthorpe and seconded by Cllr Stone.</p>

	Items for the next meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cllr Lowes updated the meeting on changes to the internet package currently paid for by Wentworth Fundraising. This item will be added to the Agenda for the next meeting.
	The Meeting closed at 8.46pm

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