
Wentworth Parish Council

Minutes of meeting : 23rd March 2016

at 7.30pm in the Church Hall

<p>Present Cllr D Lee (Chair)</p> <p>Cllr G Lowes</p> <p>Cllr S Springthorpe</p> <p>County Cllr Bill Hunt</p>	<p>Cllr C Stone</p> <p>Clerk – Mrs A Lowes</p> <p>District Cllr Mark Hugo</p> <p>Cllr E Atkin</p> <p>1 Parishioner</p>
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1.	Apologies were received and accepted from DC Stuart Smith and DC Steve Cheetham.
2.	Minutes of the last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.
	The following were taken out of Agenda order.
5.	<p>District Councillors report. DC Hugo reported on the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budgets have been approved with no change. • The CLT supplementary planning document has been approved. • ECDC has been allocated a windfall of £120k from Central Government. The Council has decided to split this equally between the 42 smallest villages, therefore Wentworth will be allocated approximately £3000. • Barton Road car park – the land allocated to coach parking will be developed with 11 homes. There will be a designated drop off point and coaches will then be directed to an out of town parking area. CC Hunt commented that the area where the market stalls are currently stored will be used for further car-parking. • The toilets near Barton Road car park will be kept open. • Any comments on the Transport Strategy need to be in by 8th April. • Cllr Lowes asked if the monies outstanding from Poets House had been paid yet. CC Hunt replied that the Council is in discussion with the administrators.
10.	<p>LATC briefing update – Cllr Springthorpe and Cllr Lowes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Lowes updated other Councillors on the meeting he and Cllr Springthorpe attended. • The LATC has been set up as the only legal way ECDC is able to operate in a commercial (ie. profit making) manner. • The legal structure if the company ensures that 90% of its revenue must come from ECDC leaving a 10% opportunity for new ventures in the open market.

4.	<p>County Councillors report. C Cllr Hunt reported on the following.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ely By-Pass by end 2017? • Archives start within a year. • Street lights to 2am (Not 2pm to 6am) • Multi use of things like mobile libraries. • Community transport – Ely Zipper timetable may change due to potential of using for school transport. • Littleport Schools started – this will free up space at Ely to allow for better A level offering. • Cllr Hunt explained "Littleport West"- the proposed new area to be covered by 2 Councillors. • Science Park Station – work is underway. • 2% Adult Social Care precept showing on Council tax bills.
	<p>County Councillor Hunt and District Councillor Hugo left the meeting at 8.30pm</p>
3.	<p>Matters arising.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wheelie bin stickers. The Council resolved to purchase 200 stickers at £1.09 +VAT each. Four stickers will be given to each resident along with an explanatory letter which will also remind residents of the speed limit. • Trees : The Clerk reported the ash and walnut trees to Highways and has received a reply confirming the work should be carried out in April. • Playpark: The Clerk confirmed we can apply for a Community Facilities Improvement Grant from ECDC. Three quotes will be obtained to improve the pathways. The Clerk will organise a meeting at the playpark to agree a plan of action.
6.	<p>Correspondence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport strategy – The Clerk will respond asking for consideration to be given to the junction at the A142 for traffic coming out of Wentworth. • Community Safety Survey – the Clerk will supply paper copies of the survey those who requested it. • LHI funding bid – Wentworth was unsuccessful this year.
7.	<p>Update on Planning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunny Acre (ref 15/01567/FUL) has been amended to one bungalow on the plot. The Parish Council has already replied. The new decision date is May 2016. • Lemon Tree House (ref 16/00161/FUL) has been amended to include a toilet window. The Council has already commented on this application.
8.	<p>Requests for donations. The Clerk, Cllr Lowes and Cllr Stone declared an interest in this item.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests have been received from Magpas, EACH, ESACT and Rackham Primary school PTA (FWR). • It was proposed by Cllr Springthorpe and seconded by Cllr Atkin that the following donations were made. • £50 Magpas • £50 EACH • £50 ESACT • £150 Rackham Primary School PTA.
9.	<p>Playpark maintenance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed during (3) Matters Arising.

11.	<p>Update on Local Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Springthorpe updated the meeting on the Local plan which will run until 2036. • It has to cover 4 areas – Housing/Heritage/Leisure/Environment. • Key dates: Sites to be chosen by September 2016, followed by consultation. Sign off/Adoption in 2018. 																		
12.	<p>Appointment of Internal Auditor.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was proposed by Cllr Atkin and seconded by Cllr Stone, that Mrs G Barnes be appointed as Internal Auditor for 2015/16. 																		
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	<p>Any other business. None.</p>																		
	<p>The Meeting closed at 9.35pm</p>																		

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