WESTON-sub-EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.15P.M. ON 25th FEBRUARY 2014

PRESENT: Cllrs Bill Carruthers (chairman) Wendy Clarke Andy Irvine Mike Jelley Joan Jenkins John Measey Chris Rossington

IN ATTENDANCE: D/Cllr Mark Annett 0 member of the public parish clerk

14/011 **COUNCILLORS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON THE BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA:** there were none.

14/012 **NOTICE OF ABSENCE:** none - all present.

14/013 **CONFIRM MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 28.01.14:** councillors unanimously **resolved** approval of these minutes which were signed by the chairman as a true record of the business conducted.

14/014 **RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS:** Mark Annett reported that CDC is offering a grant to parish councils to fund marking the centenary of World War 1. The chairman asked if CDC is likely to be getting some of the latest round of government flood resilience funding and if yes might some of it be available for completion of the work in Weston-sub-Edge; Mark Annett agreed to consult. **MA**

The meeting heard of the proposed district council ward boundary changes which will have little or no impact on Weston-sub-Edge.

The chairman asked that Lynden Stowe is thanked for prompting a response from CDC planning department following the recent planning application at Canonbourne.

14/015 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

14/00233/FUL Leyclose – replacement conservatory

Councillors unanimously **resolved** no objection. **CT**

Councillors agreed to assess the trees at Canonbourne with a view to applying for tree preservation orders on them. Mike Jelley agreed to take photographs of trees worthy of a TPO. **MJ**

The clerk agreed to obtain a list of existing TPOs in the parish. **CT**

PLANNING AUTHORITY DECISIONS TO PERMIT:

14/00030/FUL Canonbourne – demolish existing garage block, erection of new garage building.

14/00031/LBC Canonbourne – demolish existing garage block, erection of new garage building.

14/00162/FUL Whites Farm House – two storey extension and annex.

14/016 **FINANCE – RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT & BANK RCONCILIATION:** the monthly financial statement and bank reconciliation were before the meeting. Councillors noted that there is £464 in the flood resilience budget. Councillors heard that Weston Riparian Flood Action Group plans to organise an investigation of the flood alleviation measures to determine what maintenance is necessary. It was noted that much of the balance of the village improvement budget will be used to pay for the new bus shelter.

FINANCE – APPROVE PAYMENTS DUE:

200552	14.02.14	AON Ins.	insurance cover for the defibrillator & cabinet	6.73	0.00	6.73
200553	25.02.14	Chris Tombs	clerk's salary for February	111.27	0.00	111.27
200554	25.02.14	Village Hall	Village Hall hire PC, Seniors & youth club	61.25	0.00	61.25
200555	25.02.14	Young Glos.	youth club service provision for January	45.00	0.00	45.00
200556	25.02.14	GRCC	costs arising from the recent HNS survey	45.58	9.12	54.70
200557	25.02.14	John Langston	Church Street verge mowing	100.00	20.00	120.00
200558	25.02.14	Chris Rossington	memorial plaque for Alan Edmonds	97.50	19.50	117.00
200557	25.02.14	Bill Carruthers	replacement glass for noticeboard	32.05	6.41	38.46
000013	25.02.14	John Langston	hedge cutting at the recreation ground	75.00	15.00	90.00
000014	25.02.14	Alan Pritchard	gardening work at the recreation ground	50.00	0.00	50.00

Andy Irving proposed and Mike Jelley seconded making these payments which councillors unanimously **resolved** approval. Signatures were also put to a transfer of £100 from the parish council account to the recreation ground account to cover the two cheques above.

CONSIDER APPLYING FOR CDC WORLD WAR 1 CENTENARY GRANT: councillors unanimously **resolved** to apply for £500 from this grant. Suggestions for its use were to organise a talk on the war; mount an exhibition of local involvement; prepare short biographies of those from the village who took part; replant the shrub in the village green in memory of those who died. The clerk was asked to obtain the list of names on the memorial at the church. **CT**

14/017 **REVIEW VILLAGE MATTERS:**

PROVISION OF A YOUTH CLUB LEADER: the chairman told the meeting that Young Gloucestershire's contract to supply a youth leader has come to an end. A qualified youth leader is being sought.

	It was agreed that in future the parish council will be firmer in ensuring the requirements of the youth club are met and that the club should run over the summer months. Help was not forthcoming following a letter sent to parents. The chairman agreed to contact Willersey parish council to keep them informed of developments. It was suggested that a group for pre-school age children should be started in the village. The parish council could help by paying for hall hire. Getting such a group started was discussed without decision but further investigation as to viability will proceed.	
	OUTCOME OF THE ACTION TO REVIVE THE VILLAGE WEBSITE AND AGREE FUTURE DIRECTION: John Measey gave a presentation on the work he has done to revamp the existing village website. Councillors were very pleased with the result and were encouraged to get as many people as possible to use the site. The chairman thanked John Measey for this work.	
	ACTION TO PREPARE A VILLAGE PLAN: the sub group have yet to meet.	
	REVIEW CONDITION OF THE VILLAGE WATER COURSES AND AGREE FUTURE DIRECTION: the meeting heard that the brook level monitor is out of action because the data service provider has gone out of business. It was agreed that a new one must be found. It was also agree that the status of the water courses in the village needs to be established.	**CT**
	PROVISION OF A VEHICLE SPEED INDICATOR ON B4632: mains powered 'your speed' VAS displays are available at £1500 to £2500. Before taking any action towards an installation on the B4632 the clerk was asked to inform Glos. Highways of the parish council's intention to install such equipment.	**CT**
	CONSIDER TO APPOINT A SECOND PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE AS A TRUSTEE ON THE VILLAGE EDUCATIONAL CHARITY: of the two parish council nominated trustees, Kate Thorpe and Francis Robbins, Kate has tendered her resignation. Councillors agreed to nominate Jane Slatter, subject to consent in her place; the chairman agreed to contact her and for the clerk to send a letter of thanks to Kate for the many years of service she has given to the charity.	**BC** **CT**
	CONSIDER AND AGREE ACTIONS TO FUND RAISE FOR THE DEFIBRILLATOR: after discussion councillors agreed to organise a race night on 25th or 26th April and a quiz night in June subject to Village Hall availability which Chris Rossington agreed to check.	**CR**
14/018	**CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF LAST MEETING NOT ON THE AGENDA:** 14/005 Canonbourne planning application – **actioned** – Martin Perks reply circulated. 14/006 Precept lodged with CDC – **actioned**. 14/007 Appoint tree surgeon to lop tree at allotment to clear BT line – **actioned** – quotation of £50 from Ancient Oaks Tree Surgeons was accepted. 14/007 Distribute the news sheet – **actioned** – it should appear in the March edition of the Campden Bulletin. 13/092 Follow up action agreed with Martin Hutchings – **actioned** – the clerk reported that CDC planning department has yet to respond. The clerk was asked to chase Martin Hutchings. 13/095 1.0 Obtain additional quotation for the cutting of the Dovers View footpath hedge - **actioned** – £10 per cut. With this information councillors agreed top appoint JJ Lees to cut the verges on the B4632 both sides adjacent to the bus stops and to cut the Dovers View footpath hedge; John Langston to cut the Church Street verges; Glebe Contractors to cut the recreation ground (agreed last meeting). The clerk was asked to contact these contractors accordingly. 13/092 2.0 Site meeting, obtain quotation for electrical installation of the defibrillator cabinet – **actioned** - £135. Councillors accepted this quotation; clerk to inform the contractor. 13/029 Presentation of revised standing orders and financial regulations by the clerk – **not actioned**. 13/048 3.0 School Field tree guard removal – **not actioned** – Mike Jelley agreed to carry out this work. Restore the parish notice board – **actioned**. Invoice for Alan Pritchard – **actioned**. 13/076 1.0 Purchase commemorative plaque in memory of Alan Edmonds – **actioned** - installation arrangements to be agreed. 13/076 10.0 Register mineral rights with respect to the parish quarry – **not actioned** – the clerk reported investigating the process and obtaining the relevant application forms. It has been advised that all of the parish council's property should be registered together; obtaining title may require some considerable effort. 13/006 3.0 Bus shelter – Hartwell to make the shelter and B A Hull Ltd to carry out ground work and lay concrete base have been instructed; completion expected mid to end March. 13/085 5.0 Write to residents whose properties adjoin parish council land – **actioned.**	**CT** **CT** **CT** **CT** **MJ** **CT** **CT**
14/019	**CORRESPONDENCE:** was shown to the meeting.	

There being no other business the chairman closed the meeting at 9.45p.m.

Signed……Date…….