WESTON-sub-EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.15P.M. ON 24TH NOVEMBER 2015

PRESENT: Cllrs Bill Carruthers (chairman) Rachel Hurley Andy Irvine John Measey Chris Rossington

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

15/091	**COUNCILLORS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON THE BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA:** there were none.	
15/092	**NOTICE OF ABSENCE:** apologies of absence were received and accepted from Wendy Clarke and Mike Jelley.	
15/093	**CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27.10.15:** councillors unanimously **resolved** approval of these minutes which were signed by the chairman as a true record of the business conducted.	
15/094	**RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR:** Mark Annett reported that Lynden Stowe is constantly putting pressure on Glos. Highways to get repairs and maintenance work carried out. The chairman reported that whilst improvements take place other issues like clearing blocked drains don't happen; the drain at Latimers corner has been reported for over one year ago and remains blocked. A consultation over public transport is taking place. Mark Annett advised linking with neighbouring parishes to present a common response, being likely to carry more weight. It is unlikely that any news of the local bid for devolved powers from the government will be available until the new year. The chairman asked whether more parish maintenance might arise and how does the size of the Weston-sub-Edge precept compare across the district? Mark Annett suggested getting in touch with CDC accounts. Parish councillors were encouraged to take part in the CDC local plan consultation and the local transport consultation. The chairman agreed to consult with the Seniors over their view of the local bus service. An update on the extra emergency escape window and the disappearance of three of the candle stick features at Manor Farm barn was asked. Mark Annett agreed to investigate. The chairman thanked Mark Annett for his report.	**CT** **BC** **MA**
15/095	**PLANNING APPLICATIONS BEFORE THE MEETING:** there were none.	
15/096	**1.0 FINANCE – RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT & BANK RECONCILIATION:** the monthly financial statement and bank reconciliation were before the meeting. Bank balances: for the General account £16734.00 and the Business Deposit account £6317.48.	
	2.0 FINANCE – APPROVE PAYMENTS DUE:	

Cheque	date	paid to	item	amount	VAT	total
222091	27.10.15	Royal British Legion	grant to cover cost of poppy wreath	50.00	0.00	50.00
222092	24.11.15	Chris Tombs	clerk's salary for November	116.67	0.00	116.67
222093	24.11.15	WsE Village Hall	hall hire PC/Seniors/Youth Club	61.25	0.00	61.25
222094	24.11.15	John Lees	verge maintenance Stratford Road	120.00	0.00	120.00

Chris Rossington proposed and Andy Irvine seconded making these payments which councillors unanimously **resolved** approval.

	3.0 CONSIDER ITEMS OF EXPENDITURE FOR 2016/17: councillors made suggestions to include Recreation Ground drainage, parish noticeboard, verge maintenance, commission a flood resilience statement for the village as well as the usual items of expenditure.	**CT**
15/097	**REVIEW WORK NEEDED AROUND THE PARISH:** **FOOTPATHS, FOOTWAYS, HIGHWAYS AND VERGES:** it was reported that some work has been completed. Church street verge and allotment and recreation ground cutting has been promised by the end of the month. The clerk was asked to enquire if the winter performance of solar powered speed signs has improved. **WW1 BOOKLET PUBLICATION AND LAUNCH:** it was reported that this went well and at low cost. **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH COORDINATOR**: no progress was reported because re-organisation of personnel at Stow police station has taken place making the supply of information erratic. The other problem is to know how best a coordinator can communicate the information received to parishioners. **UPDATE ON SPEED CAMERA USE:** this is ongoing particularly because of the change of personnel mentioned above. **YOUTH CLUB:** the letter to parents has not been sent. Some change is immanent which might involve the Chipping Campden youth club joining with Weston-sub-Edge youth club, meeting in the village hall. This will be discussed fully in the new year. One of the issues being hall availability.	**CT**

15/098	**CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS NOT ON THE AGENDA:** 15/088 Apply for grants to upgrade recreation ground – on going 15/086 Report planning opinion – **actioned** – report satellite dish at Manor Farm 15/085 Confirm precise location for dog bins; report to Lynden Stowe no action over Amey key performance indicators, drain cleaning across the parish and in particular blocked drain at Latimers corner 15/079 Purchase six cans orange spray paint – reduced to three 15/079 Community Clean Up fund for 3 more dog litter bins and obtain more signs – Lynden Stowe is willing to fund two bins 15/079 Article in the Messenger and parish website about an increase in dog fouling - **actioned** 15/079 Church Street verge cut, Recreation Ground hedges cut – before month end; report hole in the fence to the owner/tenant of the adjoining field – **actioned** but no response; obtain more quotations to drain the field - **actioned** 15/040 Emergency contact list – the requirement is for CDC's of local contacts to be updated. 15/026 Consult the Land Registry for information about parish council ownership of land. 15/005 Write again to Buckle Street riparians requesting action to clear their ditches, copy Laurence King and Lynden Stowe. 14/071 Provide breakdown of highway spend across the county. 13/076 10.0 Register mineral rights.	**BC** **CT** **CT** **AI** **CT** **CT** **CT** **CT** **LS** **CT**
15/099	**NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:** Correspondence was before the meeting and is available for circulation by the clerk on request. The clerk was asked to check the reference to Weston-sub-Edge in the draft local plan and circulate information about grants from Tescos, the report from the recent joint meeting between CDC and town and parish councils and any information relating to local ambulance response times.	**CT**
	PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: there were no questions.	
	There being no other business the chairman closed the meeting at 9.10p.m. Signed……Date…….	