WESTON-sub-EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL AT 7.15P.M. ON 28th JUNE 2016

PRESENT: Cllrs Bill Carruthers (chairman) Rachel Hurley Mike Jelley John Measey Chris Rossington

IN ATTENDANCE: C/D/Cllr Lynden Stowe 0 members of the public parish clerk

16/051 **COUNCILLORS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN THE BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA:** there were none.

16/052 **NOTICE OF ABSENCE:** an apology for absence was received from Wendy Clarke and accepted.

16/053 **CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24.05.16:** councillors unanimously **resolved** to approve these minutes which were signed by the chairman as a true record of the business conducted with the deletion of 'Kiftsgate', add 'Bank House farm' in minute 16/048.

16/054 **RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR:** Lynden Stowe announced that the CDC local plan is in its last phase of consultation and can be viewed online; a drop in session has been arranged at Moreton in July for the public to attend. Also out for consultation is a proposal to replace Section 106 agreements with a levy based on the floor area of new residential build, to be known as the Community Infrastructure Levy.
Councillors enquired what had happened to the Youth Project fund bid made in February this year and the request for two dog litter bins. Lynden Stowe agreed to investigate and report back. **LS**
The meeting heard that there is dissatisfaction with the performance of Amey with regard to minor works as being too procedural. GCC is reviewing this situation.
Lynden Stowe was asked when the new lengthsman scheme would be coming to Weston-sub-Edge. **LS**
Questioned about the effectiveness of the planning system when it can be so easily flouted and covered by a retrospective application, Lynden Stowe said it has always been planning law enabling building work to take place without permission at the risk of demolition or change at a later date if not acceptable in planning terms. He has advocated a higher charge on retrospective applications to discourage this.
The chairman thanked Lynden Stowe for his report and presence at the meeting.

16/055 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS PENDING:**
There were no current planning applications before the meeting. Councillors noted that the decision notice for 16/01550/FUL Manor Farm Barn excludes commercial activity at the site and that restoration of the three blocked off candle stick vents at Manor Farm Barn have yet to be re-instated.

16/056 **FINANCE:**
1.0 RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT & BANK RECONCILIATION: the monthly financial statement and bank reconciliation were before the meeting. Bank balances as at 02.06.16 were for the General account £21149.60 and the Business deposit account £6320.65.
2.0 APPROVE PAYMENTS DUE:

Chq. no.	date	paid to	item	amount	VAT	total
222122	28.06.16	Chris Tombs	clerk's salary for June	116.67	0.00	116.67
222123	28.06.16	WSE Village Hall	hall hire for May - inv. 899	61.25	0.00	61.25
222124	28.06.16	HMRC	clerk's PAYE 1st quarter	87.50	0.00	87.50
222125	28.06.16	Bill Carruthers	copying charge at Glos. CRO	13.00	0.00	13.00
222126	28.06.16	Community Heartbeat	replacement electrodes	53.00	10.60	63.60

Mike Jelley proposed and Rachel Hurley seconded making these payments which councillors unanimously **resolved** to approve. It was noted that the Youth Club did not meet on 2nd June, thus reducing the Village Hall payment by £15.75. The clerk suggested that since the cheque had been written this could be deducted from the next invoice. **CT**

16/057 **REVIEW VILLAGE MATTERS:**
HIGHWAY'S UPDATE: the chairman went through the statement from Bob Skillern dated 17th March 2016 and noted that some items have been carried and others not. It was agreed that it would be timely to arrange a meeting with Bob Skillern. **BC**
RECREATION GROUND: the chairman reported that having obtained certified copies of the 1854 Enclosure Award and the 1970 Commons Registration, indicating that the parish council owns the Recreation Ground, the grant from the Glos. Environmental Trust is now unconditionally confirmed.
The clerk reported that of the five contractors originally approached to provide drainage for the Recreation Ground, two had re-quoted for the additional levelling work. Councillors agree that the chairman and clerk should study the quotations and bring a recommendation to the parish council. **BC CT**

	The clerk was asked to invite the immediate neighbours to the Recreation Ground to the next parish council meeting to hear the proposals of the parish council. **YOUTH CLUB:** the meeting heard that numbers have risen slightly. Staffing from September is changing and will need sorting out with Campden Youth Project.	**CT** **CR**
16/058	**CONSIDER MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS NOT ON THE AGENDA:** 16/048 Need to change the defibrillator access code – awaiting answer. The problem of knowing whether the equipment has been used remains. 16/048 Renew Village Hall broadband contract – **actioned.** 16/048 Bank House Farm mirror enquiry – note the name change; it is suspected that the owners of this property have installed the mirror. Glos. Highways are aware. 16/047 3.0 Repairs the bus shelter notice board and re-installation of the seats in Church Street and the Recreation Ground – Chris Hurley has looked at what is involved and is preparing a quotation. 16/046 Planning application 16/01550/FUL – refer minute 16/055. 16/046 Sophia Price's (CDC) letter regarding the Manor Farm Barn escape window – reply awaited. 16/036 Visit Glos Records Office – **actioned**. 16/026 Contact BritishGas/Centrica regarding the highway gas leak in Friday Street in October 2015 – a councillor reported that British Gas will be renewing this gas main through the village later this year. 14/071 Breakdown of highway spend across the county – the chairman suggested that this action could be closed because Amey are now being scrutinised. 13/076 10.0 Register mineral rights.	 **MJ** **CT** **BC** **CT**
16/059	**NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:** Correspondence was before the meeting and is available for circulation by the clerk on request. The clerk was asked to circulate the road closure notice, the CDC cabinet posts and the Chartered Parishes meeting agenda.	 **CT**
	PUBLIC QUESTION TIME: there were no questions.	
	There being no other business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.50p.m. Signed……Date…….	