

Wellow Parish Council

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING
of the Parish Council (WPC) held on Monday 18 June 2018 at 20:00
at Wellow Village Hall BA2 8PU

Present: Councillors H. Andrews, S. Betts, P.Caudle (Vice-chair, meeting Chair), S. Chivers,
In attendance: Ward Councillor N. Butters (from minute 18.085), R. Campbell (Clerk), four members of the public

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

All speakers agreed to their names being included.

- Stuart Cole said he had difficulty street cleaning near Bubbler's Dyitch due to parked builders' vans
There was a deep pothole by the Parlour shop. *To be reported*
He urged people to use the 757 bus, or risk losing it. *To be included in Parish Newsletter*
- Richard Holland said the sand drains on the Playing Field had all sunk, leaving the surface in a dangerous condition. Because of this the School had cancelled its sports day on the field. *Mike Clarkson, Wellow Recreation, to be contacted on his return*
- Pakriti Karthausser drew attention to the worsening state of the road surface on the far side of Wellow Brook, making it dangerous to drive. *B&NES again to be urged to repair.*
- John Clement complained of 10ft high cow parsley on the walk past Henley View down to the brook. *Cllr Caudle will speak to the landowner about this seasonal issue.*
Mr Clement asked if Curo could be asked to cut their hedges more regularly,

18.075 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs B. Wright, M. Hartigan, S. Kotchie (all working), D. Clarkson (on holiday) and J. Handel (family commitment).

18.076 Interests

There were no declarations of interests

18.077 Minutes

The minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting of 21 May 2018 were APPROVED as a true record and signed by the Chair.

18.078 Clerk's report

Actions from previous meetings are NOTED under the relevant minute.

18.079 Planning

(a) Councillors CONSIDERED the following applications:

18/02392/FUL & 02395/ LBA Box Bush Cottage High Street Wellow BA2 8QA	Internal and external repairs, alterations and extension of the listed building. John Davey	RESOLVED to support (proposed Cllr Chivers, 2 nd Cllr Andrews, unanimous)
18/02632/TCA The Cottage The Square Wellow BA2 8QE	T1. Yew. Prune by 60-90cm and reduction of 1m for topiarised shape	RESOLVED to support (proposed Cllr Andrews, 2 nd Cllr 2 nd Cllr Chivers, unanimous)

(b) The following application, on which WPC had not been invited to comment, was noted

18/02278/AGRN Church Farm Buildings, Ford Rd., Wellow BA2 8QF	Erection of steel portal framed agricultural building. Edward Allsop	Cllr Caudle reported that the application had been turned down; a full application would have to be made.
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(c) The following decisions by B&NES were noted:

18/01248/FUL Church House – car port, garden and store room permitted;

17/02588/EFUL Parcel 4234, Combe Hay Lane – 171 houses permitted by majority vote of Development Management Committee.

(d) Enforcement It was noted that the development boundary extends into the agricultural land to the south of Wellow High Street and which was thought to be housing encroachment may not be. An enforcement officer will visit to check.

B&NES to be chased about the status of caravans behind the Old Dairy, Baggridge

18.080 **Highways & Transport**

- Work at Wellow Ford and Mill Hill Was due to start imminently. Cllr Caudle will speak to the postman about how deliveries to the Baggridge side are to be maintained
- A large pothole at the foot of the Village Hall drive to be reported
- B&NES had said they would cut the grass bank between Church and opposite School in July, as complaints had been received the previous year about cutting the cow parsley too early.

18.081 **Rights of way** No update

18.082 **Mobile Library**

Cllr Handel had advised that she was willing to liaise with the School to see if WPC could help encourage more adults to supervise children using the mobile library, so helping to support the service.

18.083 **Parish Facilities**

(a) Sports Pavilion No report, due to holidays

(b) Playing Field, Play Park

- Footholds on the play park climbing wall needed tightening. Cllr Kotchie to be advised
- Nothing had been found to prevent WPC from putting up a notice restricting adult access to those accompanying children
- Having been told by the loss adjuster that the drainage repair claim had been authorized, WPC was then told by the insurance company that the claim should be made on the village hall's insurance. Agreed to ask the VH Committee to explore this possibility while seeking advice on whether WPC's insurers could be challenged.
- The Village Hall Committee and Wellow Recreation to be asked for copies of their insurance policies
- There seemed to be no reason why a sign should not be erected

(c) Village Hall Committee No report.

Driveway Clutton Contracts had been asked to quote for wall repair at the foot of the drive.

18.084 **Environment**

(a) Advice on bonfires

Following a complaint, it was noted that there is no law on domestic bonfires, only on subsequent nuisance. Agreed to put a note in the Parish Newsletter asking for consideration for one's neighbours when lighting bonfires,

(b) Hedges Cllr Betts will ask the owner of West End House about cutting the hedge along the Village Hall drive. It was noted that in general hedge cutting has to wait until the end of August.

Ward Cllr N. Butters joined the meeting.

18.085 **Clerk** The advertisement for a new Clerk was approved. Cllr Butters said Freshford PC had recently appointed a new Clerk..

18.086 **Finance**

(a) The Month 2 financial statement was received. A reconciliation difference to be found.

(b) The check on recently made grant principles to be considered in July

(h) **Resolved** (proposed Cllr Chivers, 2nd Cllr Andrews, unanimous) to pay:

2047	S. Cole – June 2018	313.20
2049	R. Campbell – June 2018	337.20
2050	Mendip Toilet Hire – 30/4 – 28/5/18, inc. VAT	96.00
2053	S. Humphreys – refund pavilion expenses, inc. VAT	683.67
2052	D. Clarkson – refund pavilion expenses, inc. VAT	158.35
2054	Sheer Class -	116.60
2055	B & NES Council – grounds maintenance services 1.4 – 30.6.18, inc. VAT	992.47
2057	C. Wordsworth	53.60
2058	D. Lucey Ltd, inc. VAT	3228.00

Payment of the following pavilion project invoices was noted

2043	Matthews Construction	100.00
2044	P. Day - kitchen	1039.38
2056 replace s 2046	Paragon Bank (Duotech), inc. VAT	546.00
	Sheerclass – pavilion decking, inc. VAT	3228.40

18.087 **Information**

(a) Correspondence received was noted. No actions were identified.

(b) There were no miscellaneous reports

18.088 **Meetings** The date of the next WPC meeting was confirmed as 16 July, 20:00, Wellow Village Hall. Cllr Caudle gave her apologies.

The Chair thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 21:30.