

# WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
in the Village Hall which commenced at 8:04pm

## PRESENT:

Chair: Councillor John Cherry  
Councillor Judith Evans  
Councillor Matt Hale  
Councillor Claire Mason  
Councillor Vicky Patmore

IN ATTENDANCE: Lorraine Ellis (Clerk)

**2019/09/101** APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors Steve Ludbrook (other commitments), Tim Moody (holiday) and Alistair Schofield (holiday).

**2019/09/102** PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

**2019/09/103** TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT:

None.

**2019/09/104** MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2019:

To take the minutes of the meeting as read and approve them as a true and accurate record. The minutes were then duly signed by the Vice Chairman.

**2019/09/105** PLANNING:

Applications:

None received.

NHDC Decisions:

**Cherchez Bien, Mill Lane, Weston** – Single storey front extension following removal of existing conservatory. **Conditional permission.**

**11 Hitchin Road, Weston** – Open sided front porch. **Conditional permission..**

**3 Frays Cottages, Damask Green Road, Weston** – Two storey side extension, first floor rear extension and ancillary works (as amended by plans of 27.8.19). **Permission granted.**

**2019/09/106** FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION:

**a.Cheque signing and accounts for September 2019** - The accounts for September for £661.83 were duly approved.

**b.Parish Councillor vacancy** – The Clerk updated Councillors on the process for co-opting a Parish Councillor.

Councillors considered the attributes of both of the candidates and **agreed** that the Clerk would notify both candidates of the Council's decision; the successful candidate will be co-opted at the October meeting.

The Clerk to update the two candidates of the decision taken by Councillors.

**c.Communications and Media** – Councillor Patmore reported that communications between herself, Ally and the Chairman were taking place. Weston Voices recently received a PC grant and it is important that progress on the project is reported upon.

It was also reported that the calendar on the website was now working.

**d.Correspondence** – Duly noted. It was noted that prior consultation should have taken place with the owners/tenants of the assets of community value before renewing the documentation for NHDC. The Clerk to draft a letter of apology to all those involved.

Councillor Hale reported that the Rising Sun will be 100 years old in 2020.

It was reported that a Forge End resident had asked for an update on when fibre broadband will be installed in this location. It is understood that C.Councillor Jarvis has been in contact with Open Reach who have advised that this area is still part of their Phase 3 plans. No indication of when this will happen is known.

**2019/09/107 NEW HOUSING STRATEGY:**

The Clerk reported that the Inspector has provided NHDC with a complete list of his questions; there is still no indication of the likely timescales for anything to happen on the plan.

**2019/09/108 VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT including FOOTPATHS and MAINTENANCE:**

**Traffic management plan update** – Councillor Hale reported that the work on the management plan was progressing and that diagrams of all the streets in the village will shortly be completed.

The Clerk to ask C.Councillor Jarvis why two speed recording devices have been placed in Hitchin Road.

**2019/09/109 RECREATION GROUNDS and SPORTS FACILITIES:**

**Jackson’s Lane car parking** – Councillor Cherry agreed to speak further with the resident regarding parking their vehicles beyond the tree. The Clerk to liaise with Councillors Moody and Schofield on the marking out and weed spraying of the car park.

**Update on recreation ground storage** – Nothing to report at this time,

**Cutting boundary vegetation in recreation ground** – Councillor Cherry agreed to undertake this work as soon as possible.

**2019/09/110 HIGHWAYS & LIGHTING:**

It was noted that the broken drain in Munts Meadow had still not been repaired. The Clerk to request that C.Councillor Jarvis pursue the matter again on behalf the Council.

**2019/09/111 ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**

**To discuss the arrangements for a social event** –Councillor Mason agreed to liaise with Councillor Moody and the village shop.

The Vice Chairman thanked everyone for attending. The meeting then closed at 8:35pm with the next meeting being held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 8:00pm in the Village Hall Reading Room. The agenda will be displayed on the noticeboard three days prior to the meetings.

**Signed..... Chairman**

**Date.....**