**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 11th May 2022 at 7**

**pm in the Reading Room.**

Present: Ray Vidler (Chairman), Bridget Durham (Vice Chair), John Garrod, Faye Parker, Constantine Pagonis, Jessica Ashbridge (clerk).

In Attendance: District Councillor Geoff Harvey in part

**Annual General Meeting of Weston Colville Parish Council Commenced at 7.57pm**

1. **Election of Officers**
   1. **Chairman –**  Cllr Vidler was proposed as Chairman **P: Cllr Durham, S: Cllr Pagonis, elected unopposed.** The Acceptance of Office by Chairman was signed.
   2. **Vice Chair –** Cllr Durham, was proposed as Vicechair, **P: Cllr Garrod, S: Cllr Pagonis, elected unopposed.** The Acceptance of Office by Vice Chairman was signed.
2. **Determination of Representatives/Responsibilities**
   1. **Financial Overseer –** Cllr Garrod
   2. **Combined Parishes Meeting Representative –** Cllr Vidler
   3. **Footpaths –** Cllr Durham
   4. **Tree Warden –** Cllr Garrod
   5. **Flood Wardens –** Cllrs Garrod, Parker and Durham, Alistair Douglas and Peter White.
   6. **LHI bids –** Cllrs Ashbridge and Hubbard
   7. **Wadlow Windfarm Representative –** Cllr Durham
3. **Chairman’s welcome -**
4. **To accept apologies and reasons for absence -**Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Hubbard and Ashbridge due to work commitments **P: Cllr Vidler, S: Cllr Durham, All in fav.**
5. **To make any declarations of interest –** Cllrs Pagonis and Durham declared a pecuniary interest in 13.1 as the beneficiary of a cheque. Cllrs Parker and Durham declared personal interests in 10.1 flooding.
6. **Public Participation Session –** None
7. **To approve minutes-** The Clerk had failed to circulate the minutes of 7th March 2022 to Cllrs, they would be approved at the July Meeting. .
8. **District and County Council reports and items of interest** – Apologies were received from Cllr Batchelor. Cllr Harvey was congratulated on being re-elected as District Cllr. He delivered a brief report.
9. **Planning –** None received.
10. **Matters In hand / Arising since last meeting**
    1. **Flooding** – A report from a Parishioner was received. Cllr Vidler reported that Brian Heffernan had contacted Cllr Vidler under his authority as Chairman to the Council. It was determined that Mr. Heffernan had no powers to enforce actions of landowners, and suggested that a letter was sent from Brian Heffernan to residents reminding them of their riparian rights. It was not for the Parish Council to be responsible for informing people of the risks, as it was outside the remit of the PC. It was suggested to add Brian Heffernan’s advice to the Challenge in the autumn.

Cllr Garrod reported that despite trying to swap grit bins with the company, a yellow one was in situ behind the bus shelter. A new sack truck had been received. The new drains along Mill Hill were filled with rubbish, Alistair Douglas was to be asked to clear them.

* 1. **SID and LHI** – The LHI Bid was unsuccessful. Move to July.
  2. **Code of Conduct and register of interests** – SCDC’s Code of Conduct model policy was received for review and adoption **P: Cllr Durham, S: Cllr Vidler, All in fav.** The new register of interest forms were received.
  3. **Footpaths –** The permissive path to Lower Wood from Mill Hill had been rescinded, walkers should take the footpath again.
  4. **Platinum Jubilee event** – A Community Chest Grant had been applied for, for £500, for a mega slide bouncy castle and sound system and music through the afternoon on June 5th. It was unfortunately unsuccessful. It was determined of the £800 promised by the PC that the slide would be £500, and the mugs for children in the village would be the other £300. **P: Cllr Vidler, S: Cllr Parker, all in fav.**

1. **Risk Assessment/Health and Safety –** The defibrillator was rescue ready on May 1st. The risk assessment for the Jubilee event would be covered by the Reading Room.
2. **Playground –** The Play Equipment Safety report from David Bracey was received. Some concerns had been raised, there would be an update from Cllr Hubbard in July.
3. **Finance –** 
   1. **To Approve cheques – P: Cllr Vidler, S: Cllr Garrod, Abstain: 2, 3 in fav.**
   2. **Parish Nurse Scheme –** It was determined to donate £500, **P: Cllr Pagonis, S: Cllr Parker, All in fav.**
   3. **Annual Return 2021-22 –** The Certificate of Exemption was approved **P: Cllr Vidler, s: Cllr Durham, All in fav.**
   4. **Annual Return 2021-22 –** The Annual Governance Statement was approved **P:Cllr Vidler, S: Cllr Durham, All in fav**
   5. **Annual return 2021-22 ­–** The Annual Accounting Statement was approved **P: Cllr Vidler, S: Cllr Pagonis, All in fav.**
   6. **Internal Audit –** It was noted that the internal audit would be carried out by CAPALC.
   7. **Briggs Gift –** It was suggested that accounts were changed, as the interest generated was not covering the donations.
   8. **War Memorial Trust –** Cllrs Parker and Pagonis were to be added as signatories.

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| **Credit Received – precept 19th April** | £6,250 |
| **Wages s/o** | £211.19 |
| **Balance at Lloyds Bank on 31st March 2022** | £15,141.63 |

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| **Cheque number** | **Detail and Date** |  | **Amount** | **VAT** |
| D/D | Street lighting | £14.08 | £15.37 | £1.29 |
| 810 | The Fun Factor – mega slide/music/sound system for Platinum Jubilee |  | £500 |  |
| 816 | iTransact – SSL westoncolville.org.uk  domain name renewal | £69.99  £20 | £107.99 | £14  £4 |
| 812 | David Bracey – Playground inspections 2022 | £135 | £162 | £27 |
| 813 | Simon Ratford – April and May Grass cutting |  | £375 |  |
| 814 | Horseheath Parish Council – third of new HP Printer for Council use |  | £18.05 |  |
| 815 | Zurich Insurance 22-23 |  | £620.09 |  |
| 817 | Cllr Durham – for Jubilee mugs |  | £327.54 |  |
| **Total** |  |  | £2 |  |
|  | **Total of Outstanding Cheques** | 807  808 | £50  £253.14 |  |
|  | **After above Cheques** |  | **£18,962.45** |  |

1. **Matters for next Agenda** Playground, LHI/SID

**Dates of Parish Council meetings in 2022 are: 6th June (planning), 4th July, 1st August (planning), 5th September, 3rd October (planning), 7th November, 5th December (planning).**

**Councillors Henry Batchelor and Geoff Harvey**

**District and County Councillor’s Report – May 2022**

**District Council Elections**

South Cambridgeshire District Council held elections at the beginning of the May and we’re both

very pleased to say that Geoff was re-elected to represent Balsham, Horseheath, Carlton, West

Wratting, West Wickham and Weston Colville for another 4 years. Regardless of who, if anyone, you voted for, Geoff represents everybody in the constituency on the District Council and is really looking forward to continuing to do so.

The full election results across the whole of South Cambridgeshire are:

Liberal Democrats – 37 councillors

Conservatives – 7 councillors

There are no other political parties represented on the council.

**A1307 Upgrades**

The next set of upgrades to be implemented on the A1307 is the safer crossing point at the

Hildersham junction. This involves putting in a crossing that all non-motorised users (pedestrians,

cyclists and horse riders) can use. This has begun already and will be fully completed in the summer.

**Vaccination Centres**

Some villages in South Cambridgeshire will be hosting mobile vaccination centres in May. These are facilitated by the NHS in conjunction with the local authorities. The full list can be found at

www.thevaccinators.co.uk but the closest centre to us will be in Linton Village Hall on Saturday 21st May between 10am and 4pm.

**Contact Information**

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**Signed……………………………………………………………………………………..18th July 2022**

**Cllr Vidler**