

RINGSFIELD AND WESTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Date of Meeting: 15th February 2019

Present: Chair Cllr Rees, Statt, Warner, Wheeler & Scott.

Attending Clerk Mrs Brown

1 OPENING OF MEETING - The meeting was declared open at 7.00pm

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

3 RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Cllrs Cannell, Sherriff, Ritchie – all unwell.
Cllr Francis - Holiday

PUBLIC FORUM –

4 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PC MEETING HELD 18th January 2019 – Proposed Cllr Statt,
2nd Cllr Warner aif

5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING –

1 Neighbourhood Plan – Ilketshall St Andrew PC have decided they are not joining. Barsham & Shipmeadow and Ringsfield & Weston have signed letters agreeing to join the Plan, Cllr Rees will send them onto WDC. Locality Budget funds will pay any consultants needed.

2 VAS – M Mottram from Highways has advised that no training is needed for operating/moving the sign, Cllr Rees will put it up in School Road this weekend. She thought that more brackets are needed, along with a padlock and chain. It was agreed that the 'Kill your Speed' sign should be placed in Redisham Rd and Cllr Rees still wants to get the 30mph speed limit extended along this road.

3 Village Hall refurbishment – Cllr Statt sent round a revised questionnaire, which the CC are happy with, Cllr Wheeler suggested a few minor changes. Cllr Rees brought in a sample questionnaire and stressed that grant givers look very closely at facilities for the disabled, very young and elderly. John Eaton from CAS met with Cllr Statt at the hall to give advice on funding etc and suggested that a community-based architect would be best to draw up the plans. A rep from the Cricket Club will be attending the next CC meeting to give their views, the toilet in the pavilion is urgently need of refurbishment. There are picture rails and a protective dado ready to go up in the hall.

4 Quote from Waveney Norse for grass cutting – 19 cuts of cricket pitch & 10 of green and hall grounds £1490.00 plus vat, extra cuts £83.00 plus vat, Cllr Rees proposed acceptance, 2nd Cllr Warner, aif. Cllr Statt proposed getting a quote from Waveney Norse for weedkilling round the tennis courts, car park and play area, 2nd Cllr Rees, aif, Cllr Wheeler asked that it be ecologically friendly. Cllr Scott will ask Mr Knight if he would be interested in maintaining the garden on the village green, Cllr Scott and his son will rake the gravel of the hall's car park periodically.

6 FINANCE

a. Accounts for Payment

J Brown, Clerks Salary January	204.95
HMRC	40.60
Ringsfield Primary School – donation to Library	25.00
Total 3	£270.55

Cllr Rees proposed acceptance and that these accounts are paid 2nd Cllr Statt aif

b Accounts already paid – None

c Receipts – Vat reclaimed £397.02

d Bank Balance at 30th January 2019 - £14,294.51. £8,000 set aside for repairs/drainage to car park

e Internet Banking – In abeyance

f CIL money in hand £ 323.02

g Clerk's pay review in accordance with NALC's recommendation. Cllr Rees proposed acceptance,
2nd Cllr Statt, aif

h Appointment of Internal Auditor - Cllr Rees proposed SALC, 2nd Cllr Warner, aif

7 CORRESPONDENCE None.

8 PLANNING –

a Applications Rec'd – None

b Decisions Rec'd – None

Cllr Rees expressed her anger at WDC's Planning Dept's inconsistency on enforcement, decisions and responses to complaints citing various recent incidents.

9 REPORTS

County and District Councillors Reports – None

Parish Councillor Reports –

Cllr Scott said that Cllr Punt is willing to attend a meeting before he leaves Office, all agreed it would be interesting to hear his report.

Cllr Statt asked for helpers for the Car Boot Sale 9th March.

Cllr Statt is trying to get another quote for the car park repairs.

Cllr Statt reported mud left on Kings Lane following deliveries to Grove Farm, Highways said it had been cleared, but since it hasn't she will report it again.

Cllr Wheeler asked if anything could be done on Ringsfield Common, Cllr Rees will have a look this could possibly be another project for the village.

Cllr Scott asked if the PC would support a suggestion to call the southern by-pass Weston Way, after some discussion the Clerk was asked to contact WDC to suggest that Weston & Ellough residents should decide the name.

Cllr Scott announced the recent sad death of former Chief Executive of WDC Malcolm Berridge.

Clerk's Report – To include crime report sourced from Suffolk Constabulary's website.

No crimes reported in December.

10 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –

Waste and asbestos surveys – in hand.

Building on land next to Village Hall – following concerns of a resident that a large new building has been erected on the site Cllrs looked again at the submitted plans and all appears to be in order.

Changes to bus services – Konnect Buses are withdrawing their service number 90 from April, SCC are looking to find a new provider, Clerk to contact C Cllr Ritchie to get some news. The proposed development in School Road was supposed to be dependent on the village having a school, shop and bus service.

CLOSE - There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.45pm.

Signed.....Chair Date: 15th March 2019