

RINGSFIELD AND WESTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Date of Meeting: 15th MARCH 2019

Present: Chair Cllr Rees, Statt, Warner, Sherriff, Cannell, Francis & 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** - Cllr Wheeler – Visitors & C Cllr Ritchie.**PUBLIC FORUM –****4 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PC MEETING HELD 15th FEBRUARY 2019** – Proposed Cllr Statt, 2nd Cllr Warner 4 votes for, 3 abstentions**5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING –**

1 Neighbourhood Plan – Mettingham have agreed to join, Ilketshall St John to vote tomorrow, the letters of agreement will need to be done again and Cllr Rees will start the process to begin the plan as soon as possible. Volunteers for working parties will be needed.

2 VAS – Cllrs Statt & Warner have put the sign up near the Village Hall, more brackets have been ordered. R&W PC will ask Ilketshall St Andrew for two fifths of the cost of insurance and agreement that should a claim be made the Parish who has possession at the time should pay the excess.

3 Village Hall refurbishment – Cllr Statt is waiting for agreement of the altered questionnaire and is hopeful they will be printed and delivered shortly. The new paintwork in the hall has attracted favourable comments, the bar area is due to have a tidy up as the planned full refurb is some time away. MS Oakes have turned down the job of repair work to the car park as they feel the gravel will interfere with proposed drainage works, Cllr Statt has asked Ovamil for an estimate. Cllr Rees has asked them for the loan of their roller for the cricket and football pitches.

Quote from Waveney Norse for weedkilling £165.00 plus vat - Cllr Rees proposed acceptance, 2nd Cllr Warner, aif

6 FINANCE**a Accounts for Payment**

J Brown, Clerks Salary January	204.95
HMRC	40.60
Cllr Statt – padlocks for VAS	37.52
Ringsfield Village Hall – Insurance for play equipment	416.39
Ringsfield Primary School – donation to Library	25.00
(Cheque reissued as name changed to St Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan MAT)	

Total 5**£724.46**Cllr Rees proposed acceptance and that these accounts are paid 2nd Cllr Warner 6 for 1 abstention

Cllr Statt handed the Clerk £253.00 cash from the latest car boot sale which will be used for the play area insurance.

b Accounts already paid – None**c Receipts** – None**d Bank Balance at 28th February 2019** £13,802.96**e Internet Banking** – In abeyance**f CIL money in hand** £ 323.02**7 CORRESPONDENCE** None.

8 PLANNING –**a Applications Rec'd – None****b Decisions Rec'd – None****9 REPORTS**

County and District Councillors Reports – Cllr Ritchie sent a Parishes report from SCC with his apologies, circulated, it wasn't really relevant to R&W.

Parish Councillor Reports –

Cllr Sherriff was not happy with the kind of mower Waveney Norse intend to use on the cricket pitch, Cllr Rees will contact them.

Cllr Scott- The CCG has recently wasted a lot of money on fans which cannot be used.

Cllrs Rees, Wheeler, Francis & Cannell, along with County, District & Beccles Councillors attended the meeting re Beccles southern relief road. Issues discussed – any speeding and increases in traffic through surrounding villages. Opinions varied on increases but every one agreed that speeding is a problem. There is to be a traffic survey and another meeting in June when the name will be decided.

Waveney Norse are having a general clean up in the villages on Monday, the volunteer litter pickers will look out for flytipping on Saturday.

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

There were 2 crimes reported in January

1 x other theft, Cromwell Road & 1 x other theft, School Road- both investigations complete, no suspects identified.

10 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –

Changes to bus services –C Cllr Ritchie did not answer the Clerk's request for an update, but the Clerk heard from C Cllr Ladd that First Bus will be taking over the route in April with some changes.

CLOSE - There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8.16pm.

Signed.....Chair Date: 12th April 2019