

## Well Parish Council

### Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2015, 7.00 pm at the Institute

**Present:** David Webster (Chairman), Avril Lane, Sydd Perry, Julia Hamby (Parish Clerk), 10 Parishioners

1 **Apologies** – Sarah Sharp, Chris Wade

2 **Minutes of the Last Meeting** – these had been circulated to all Councillors following the last meeting and also published on the village website. Accepted as a true record by all those present, these were then duly signed by the Chairman.

#### 3 **Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes**

- a) Playing Field - Grand Opening on 13 September at 2.00 pm now that all complete.
- b) TDF – JH explained that there was £11,000 to be distributed to projects for individuals or groups that would benefit the community with an upper limit of £1000, and that this would be 50% of the cost of the project, matched funding in effect, information would be circulated to the villages of West Tanfield, Well and Snape shortly, suggested that the smaller fence and gates for the Playing Field would be a good project. Closing date 30 September **Action: DW/JH**
- c) Dog Bin – post in position, Roger Hamby to attach the bin **Action: RH/JH**
- d) Footpath Lighting near Acclom House- lights now in position, donated by Mark Sampson
- e) Speeding on Well Bank – a breakdown of figures from the data collected by the data logger had been received for both uphill and downhill speeds, showing an average of less than 30 mph. JH had circulated this via the village email system, Kath Greaves still not happy and is going to take it up herself
- f) Grass Cutting in the village – JH had forwarded details of who to contact at NYCC to Kath Greaves as she was not happy about the verges opposite her house, DW commented that the rest of the village appeared to be being cut by householders. It was pointed out that the grass at the crossroads was obscuring the view for traffic **Action: JH**
- g) PC Public Liability Insurance – JH had arranged a separate policy for Well Parish Council with Zurich with a PL limit of £10m as per the requirement of the lease for the Playing Field at a cost of £265
- h) Barking Dogs in the village – the problem seemed to have abated somewhat, the advice given at the previous meeting still stands. A record of incidents with dates, times etc needs to be kept and then submitted to Environmental Health with full details for them to act upon. **Action: All**
- i) The ‘Andrew Page’ business was still operating from the yard, however, following confirmation from HDC that this was for display purposes only, no further information had been received
- j) POS money for Pear Tree Barn still outstanding, HDC were chasing this and the site was still untidy
- k) Pear Tree Farm – A section 215 notice had been served on the owners to tidy up the site
- l) Traffic coming out of Well Hall Farm yard late at night – the advice still stands, a log of traffic needs to be kept and then submitted to Planning/Environmental Health for them to take action **Action: All**
- m) Air Ambulance recycling bin – too big to go at the Milbank Arms

#### 4 **Finance**

- a) A balance sheet was circulated to the meeting showing a balance of £1926.01 in the account. JH explained some of the items on the balance sheet, JH had two small VAT amounts to reclaim

#### 5 **Correspondence**

- a) Most correspondence now received by email and circulated to the Councillors

6 **Planning**

- a) Nothing to report

7 **Any Other Business**

- a) Mark Glatman informed the meeting about noise nuisance coming from Well Hall Farm yard which appeared to be from some kind of old car driving up and down the yard and motorbikes riding round the fields at the back of the buildings and up to the pond, this had happened on a weekend and on a Sunday and could be heard all over the village. Following discussion, it was agreed that a letter be sent to Gary Elsworth pointing out his liability in the event of an accident and asking if he could look into this
- b) The Beck – not running at all now although some water coming out of St Michael's Well. Following discussion, during which Mark Glatman offered to instruct an engineer on behalf of the village, it was agreed that David Webster and Mark Sampson be the people to go and have a look if permission granted. Agreed that JH would approach Alison Ingram to ask for permission to enter the grounds of Holly Hill to have a look at the water coming out of the pond and flowing down towards the village. Permission would also be sought from owners of the properties below Holly Hill to visit them as well. Chris Starr confirmed that he was happy for a visit to his property, Mill Garth
- Action: JH/DW/MS**

8 **Date of future meetings** –12<sup>th</sup> October, 14<sup>th</sup> December, 8<sup>th</sup> February, 11<sup>th</sup> April, 9<sup>th</sup> May (AGM and AVM) 13<sup>th</sup> June

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.40 pm

Signed:

Position:

Date: