PRESENT:

Councillors M. Nairn Chair, M. Lister Vice Chair, M. Burlingham, M. Buxton, C. Drewry, T. Childerhouse, S. Walmsley, P. Smith and Mrs P. Angus Clerk to the Council.

Mr J. Reay Handyman. There were 21 members of the public, and District Councillor Sam Chapman-

1. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

Councillors Fabian Eagle and J. Prosser

2. ACCEPT AND SIGN THE MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 21st February 2019 having been previously circulated were accepted as a true record of that meeting, this was proposed by Cllr Drewry, seconded by Cllr Burlingham and all agreed, the Chair signed the minutes.

3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

4. PLANNING APPLICATION 3PL/2019/0189 Crematorium Building including memorial gardens and car parking – see Public Participation

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Following a discussion in which the public gave their many concerns the following is a summary of those concerns.

The principal concerns voiced were in respect of its proximity to the Village, the traffic issues that will be generated, it's location in relation to the Environment Agencies predicted Flood Zones, the Special Protection Areas for Nightjars, Woodlarks and the Stone Curlew.

The Chair asked as many residents as possible to view the application and most importantly, make their views known by making a comment.

6. MATTERS ARISING

6.1 Outstanding Highway Matters – to discuss any outstanding issues

Highways have approved our grant for £2,500 (total cost £5,000) towards the new gateways in to the village coming in from Methwold, these are constructed from recycled plastic so are maintenance free. Cllr Childerhouse said that he wasn't aware that signs had been put up on the side of Parrotts Place asking that cars do not park on the verges and that this should have been discussed at a meeting before the signs were put up, the Clerk apologised as she had arranged to have these put up on the advice from Highways following their visit, it was agreed to take these down.

6.2 Street Lighting – Street Lighting officers report

Cllr Burlingham had reported 5 lights out this month, these will be replaced with the new LED lanterns.

6.3 Playing Field/Open Spaces

The rope climbing frame has some fraying occurring in the nylon webbing in areas and it was agreed the Clerk would contact Fenland Leisure and get them to come out and inspect the damage. All agreed that the spring bulbs look beautiful and that more would be planted in the autumn.

6.4 STANTA Tour 2019 – date 12th June 2019 – up date on numbers so far

The Clerk said that 45 seats had been booked so far - there is 68 places left if two coaches are used.

6.5 Elections – Update

The Clerk said nomination forms need to be returned by the 3rd April 2019 and she is happy to take these to Breckland on behalf of all existing Councillors that wish to remain on the Parish Council.

7. REPORTS

7.1 Chairman's Report

Nothing to report.

7.2 Clerks Report

- Replied to letter regarding CCTV letting the resident know that this is not possible.
- Obtained industrial graffiti remover for Handyman.
- E-mailed District Councillor Sam Chapman Allen regarding unadopted street lights.
- Went around village with David Jacklin (from Highways) along with Cllrs Lister and Nairn to inspect various problem areas.
- Wrote letter to resident in All Saints regarding the overgrown bushes.
- Wrote letter to resident in All Saints regarding up and coming work that Highways will be carrying out next to their property.
- Wrote thankyou letter to Tom McCabe at the Highways department regarding the good service recently received from the Highways department in Weeting.
- Wrote thankyou letter to resident that has helped our Handyman with clearing trees that had fallen down and was causing access problems.
- Wrote thankyou letter to resident who made and supplied free of charge our new finial for the Gazebo.
- Had 2 3 hours training on the new website this will be much more informative than before with a whole lot more information for residents to keep up to date with events etc.
- Attended a Clerks Network morning views and ideas are shared at the meetings and are very helpful.
- Sent thankyou email to TJM Groundworks for the fantastic job carried out on the Village Hall Drive.

7.3 Handyman Report

- Fixed two dog signs on fence at pathway from Hockwold Road to Jubilee Close.
- Spread two tubs of road plaining in gateway at football hut.
- Cut down six small trees that had fallen over on the track on road side of chain link fence near entrance by the teen shelter, (a resident kindly helped with this using his power saw) and cleared away the remaining branches to rot down.
- Fixed seven small holes in the chain link fence.
- Fixed two no parking on grass verges at Parrotts Piece (it was agreed earlier in the meeting to take these down)
- New wooden ball for roof of the gazebo came back fromm a resident in Brandon who kindly made this free of charge for the Council.
- Cleared up split bag of cloth and put into the cloth bank.
- There is still some fly tipping at the bottle bank but there has been an improvement with this.

7.4 Bowls Club Report

Nothing to report.

7.5 Village Hall Report

Nothing to report.

7.6 Football Club Report

The electricity bill is now going direct to the club.

7.7 District Councillors Report

Not at meeting apologies sent.

7.8 County Councillors Report

County Cllr Sam Chapman-Allen said that the Breckland Council had agreed to adopt the lights in Weeting that were currently not assigned to any authority.

He went on to thank everyone for giving him the opportunity to represent Weeting and he said that the village was a very diverse and vibrant community and he congratulated the Parish Council and the community for what they do for the village. He said that he had not seen any clubs or organisations sign up for the Breckland Lottery and he advised that they should do so as it is completely free of charge and is money is there to be had. Breckland have joined up with DWP to fund mopeds for the unemployed that are in isolated areas to enable them to get to and from work and advised that if anyone knows of a person that is in this situation then to let them know about the scheme. With regard to the local plan, nothing changes vastly for Weeting, however he urged that the Council puts their comments on all planning applications even if they agree and even if it is not in their area.

The Parish Council thanked Cllr Chapman-Allen for all his hard work in the past and for every thing that he has done for Weeting.

8. CORRESPONDENCE – To report on any outstanding correspondence received by the Council

Nothing to report

9. FINANCE

Balance for February 2019

9.1 To Agree and Sign the Payments for the February/March invoices

The following payments were authorised on Thursday the 21st March 2019 the BACS payments were signed by Cllr M. Nairn and Cllr M. Burlingham, there was one cheque that was signed by Cllr M. Burlingham and Cllr M. Lister. Cllr Buxton proposed that the payments are made this was seconded by Cllr Drewry and all agreed.

£9,982.54

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Minus the following dia	rect debits / SO	
E-On Street Lights		593.14
E-On Street Lights Parro	ts Piece £	13.76
Viridor Waste Collection	ı £	52.61
Total Direct Debits	£	659.51
Plus the following recei	=	
Weeting Bowls Club		18.75
Football Club Electricity		68.73
Total Income		87.48
Total after Direct Debi	ts and Income £	9,410.51
BACS Ref/Cheques	Description	Total
52937760	Mr J Reay Salary - £402.76/Mileage £18.00/	
	Del WVL £135.87	£556.63
52937801	Mrs P Angus Salary £536.77/Mileage £3.60/	
	Office Allowance £25.00/Phone £13.26/Graffiti remov	er
	£62.67	£641.30
52937867	HMRC Employers Tax	£437.40
52937928	Barkers Print - WVL	£617.00
52937971	Westcotec Street Light Maintenance	£194.08
52938023	Mrs M Burlingham Street Light Reporting Phone 2 yea	rs £130.00
52938108	E-On Football Club Electricity	£19.14
52968568	Westcotec 5 New Lanterns Jubilee Close/	
	Shadwell Close /Castle Close (2)	£1,032.00
52970191	Weeting Village Hall	£28.00
53097940	Rosemary Godfrey - Web Site upgrade and initial set up	p £400.00
400277	Norfolk County Council - New Signs into the Village	£2,500.00
Total Cheques Bacs pa	yments paid	£6,555.55
Balance in Community Account March 2019		£2,854.96
Balance in Savings Account		
Total in Parish Council Accounts		
(£2,000 ringfenced for p	lay area maintenance and £996.50 for outdoor play project	ts)

10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Ref Number	Address	Date	Description	Outcome/update
3PL/2018/1413/F	Rear of 1 Cromwell Road	16/3/18	Proposed 4- bedroom dwelling	20/3/19 Site plane amended existing access now to be used: Decision by 10 th April 2019
3PL/2018/1586/HOU	20 Park View Weeting	15/2/19	Remove external timber finish, install insulation, finish with light weight silicone render	Decision by 8/3/19
3PL/2019/0189	Land at Brandon Road	18/3/19	Crematorium with Memorial Gardens and Car Park	Decision by 3/6/19 to be discussed under item 4 of the meeting
3PL/2019/0246/LU	33 St Edmund Road	11/3/19	Single storey rear extension (Certificate of Lawfulness)	Planning not seeking views this is for info only

11. MEMBERS' MATTERS - items for next Agenda

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Fly Tipping at back of Bowls Club
Over hanging willow Tree at 10 Rectory Lane
Hedge over path at Rectory Lane
Fence over path between Shadwell and Rectory Lane
2 posts are needed on the lorry park to stop cars cutting through

Cllr Childerhouse thanked the Chairman for running a good and orderly meeting for the public tonight.

With nothing more to discuss the meeting closed at 19.50	
Chairman:	