

# WELLESBOURNE & WALTON PARISH COUNCIL

*Minutes for a meeting of the Council Community Facilities Committee on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at 7.15pm at the Methodist Hall, Bridge Street, Wellesbourne.*

Present: Chairman: Mrs Prior

Councillors: Blake, Dipple, Kendall

Clerk: Mrs Scriven

Members of public: 3

## 1. Welcome & Announcements

## 2. Apologies for Absence – Cllrs Mrs Bolton, Jackson, Mrs Patalong

## 3. Election of a Vice Chairman

Cllr Mrs Prior nominated Cllr Dipple who was accepting of the role. No other Nominations were made.	Prop: Cllr AP, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cllr DK carried (Cllr TD abstained from the vote)
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## 4. Confirmation of the order of the Agenda - agreed

## 5. Identification of any items that might be resolved for confidential session - none

## 6. Declarations of Interest - none

## 7. Open Session for members of the public to raise any matters of relevance to the Parish - none

## 8. Minutes of the meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2021 – accepted

## 9. Matters arising – (not on the agenda) - none

## 10. Sports Association

10.1 Report – Simon Isted - noted

## 11. Committee Budget

11.1 2021/2022 update - Cllr AP confirmed the expenditure was within budget for the committee. It was noted several commissioned jobs had been delayed by the pandemic restrictions, this included the fence and grounds work at the entrance of the

Bowls Club and the tree survey on the Mountford sports field.

## 12. Dog Close

12.1 Lease for Dog Close land update – The lease had been signed but it was noted the map did not accord with the Land

Registry document therefore it was back with the Walton Estate solicitors for amendment. The Certificate for Lawful Development was now posted to the SDC website.

12.2 Working party for Dog Close project had not met due to time for planning application to be completed and work to be done

by members of the group.

## 13. Village car park

13.1 Car park update on completed project – the newly surfaced car park now had 39 parking bays including 2 blue badge spaces

and a motorcycle parking area. It was agreed that the quote for electric charge points should be revisited and a consultation

regarding likely use. Neighbours backing onto the site had complemented the contractor on how quiet, tidy and considerate they

were during the demolition and resurfacing works.

Action: Request new quotes for electric charging points	By Clerk
Action: Blue badge only and motorcycle signs to be fitted by the Lengthsman (Clerk to arrange)	By Lengthsman

## 14. Newbold Road land

14.1 Planning application update – no further progress has been made with this project, there has been no communication with the

architect dealing with the planning application and attempts to contact him have failed.

Action: Write to Wellan formally, if no response - visit their offices	By Clerk
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14.2 Land use at the rear of school

14.2.1 Communication from resident, land rear of school – A request for the land behind the school be opened up for public leisure space including dog walking. Cllrs considered the request and whilst they were not against the idea in principle, there was concern about the problems with dog faeces being left by some thoughtless dog owners, especially as land behind the school had been set aside as a potential sports field. Experience of a shared use sports/leisure area on the Dovehouse estate led to the fencing in and locking of the sports field due to the teams having to clear the pitch of dog foul before the children could play football. This was met by repeated removal or supergluing of the locks as well as cutting of the fence with wire clippers, and some unpleasant exchanges between annoyed dog walkers and the Council’s contractors and staff who had the job of repairing the damage or replacing the damaged locks. The Council also noted that there was no budget for fencing off of the sports field and although members of the public were opening the gate by removing it from its hanging bars or climbing over the gate in order to enter the land to walk/walk dogs, there was no public footpath across this field and therefore they should not be on the land.

**15. Green open spaces**

15.1 Meeting with Persimmon to consider commuted sum for transfer of the open spaces and play areas at land East & West of Ettington Road and Mountford Place – response from Persimmon was still awaited.

15.2 Communication from resident – a family had requested a memorial bench to be placed on Dog Close land. Their only requirement being that the bench be placed in a southerly position in order to enjoy the sunshine. Cllrs were agreeable to this request and the positioning.

Action: Let the family know the bench request had been approved	By: Clerk
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**16. Handyman**

16.1 Handyman report - noted

**17. Cllr, Clerk and members exchange of information**

Cllr Blake – noted there was wood in the river at the White Bridge and asked if it was the old kissing gate and said there had been

requests on Facebook for another skate park in the parish.

Cllr Dipple – asked if there had been a job number allocated to the pothole in the layby at Walton

Cllr Kendall – none

Cllr Mrs Prior – none

Clerk - none

**18. Date of next meeting – 28<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.00pm

Chairman: Cllr Mrs Prior.....

Signed.....

Date.....

(completed 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021)