

Westfield Parish Council

Minutes of the Environment and Development Committee Meeting held at the Oval Office, St Peters Business Park, Westfield on Monday 11th December 2017 commencing at 7pm

Present: Cllrs B Wallbridge (Chair), A Butcher, D Cooper, R Hopkins, E Jackson and P Williams.

Apologies: Cllrs J Honess and G Fuller

Also attending: Lesley Welch, Clerk and Tracey Stephens, Admin Assistant

111. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO CONSIDER THE REASONS GIVEN

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs J Honess and G Fuller.

112. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

There were no declarations of interest.

113. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2017 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

114. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

There were no objections to the following application, providing the beech hedge is maintained:

17/05762/OUT	39 Nightingale Way	Erection of one new dwelling in existing garden
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There were no objections to the following application:

17/05785/FUL	Unit 2, Code a Weld, Second Avenue	Addition of a 40ft metal storage container at the rear of Unit 2 to provide storage for demonstration machines and process of samples
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115. PLANNING DECISIONS

The planning decisions were noted.

116. PLANNING APPEAL

The appeal at Sunnycroft, Wells Road was noted.

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Signed **Dated**

117. CONSULTATION ON THE JOINT SPATIAL PLAN

Cllr Jackson proposed to raise an objection to any further housing development without improved infrastructure. Cllr Williams seconded. The vote was unanimous

118. PROPOSED LARCH COURT ALLOTMENTS

The update was noted.

Resolved: The Clerk to continue to liaise with Persimmon Homes

119. RECREATION GROUND – NORTON HILL

Resolved: to accept the quotes from Greensward:

1. for £420 for moss treatment
2. for £85 to repair bench slats and to add braces to strengthen the base
3. for £45 to replace a rotting fence post
4. for £10 to replace two bolts on top of the youth shelter
5. for £25 to replace safety chain shackles for basket swing
6. for £15 to replace a bolt at the top of the bow top fencing
7. for £35 to infill the ground beneath the swing seat
8. for £50 to increase the ground clearance of the nest swing by removing 2 links from all four chains under sleeves.

120. RECREATION GROUND – WESTHILL

Resolved: to accept the quotes from Greensward:

1. for £210 to replace the balance logs
2. for £95 for the supply and fit of a heavy duty grass protection mat at the gate entrance
3. for £275 to replace climbing wall planks at the top level
4. for £275 to replace the bin next to the bench in the field and remove and dispose of the old one

121. WELTON ROAD

The Committee discussed the need for works to improve safety at Welton Road.

Resolved: to send a response to Mr John Hamer advising that Council supports the residents in their attempt to achieve some traffic control and was meeting a Highways Officer that week, but that it is outside the remit of the Parish Council financially and to support it financially would be a case of double taxation

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122. DEFIB UPDATE AT MARDONS AND THE FIRE STATION

A verbal update was given. The defib at Mardons has been installed. The Clerk is awaiting confirmation of a date and time to meet at the fire station to establish positioning of the defib before placing an order.

123. EVENTS

Feedback was given regarding the Christmas lights switch on. Cllrs have received very positive comments from residents that attended, but the event has grown to an extent that more help is needed to set up.

Resolved: (1) to obtain quotes for the professional setting up and taking down of more solid marquees for Father Christmas and the Parish Council.
(2) to consider hiring a remote generator and safe cables and discuss the securing of the spotlight with Tony Denning

124. PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER

The diversion order was noted

125. ADDITIONAL FESTIVE LIGHTS IN WESTFIELD

The Committee received the report of the Finance Officer.

Resolved: to purchase 12 extra lights for next year. The vote was 5 in favour, 1 against

126. ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE SNOW WARDEN SCHEME

Resolved: In light of the fact that we now have just two snow wardens, to publish further requests for residents to take on the role.

127. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- Street Furniture, benches and litter bins

The meeting closed at 7.45pm

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