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Minutes of Weston by Welland Parish Council Meeting held in the St. Mary the Virgin Church on Monday 16th September 2024 at 7.30 pm.

Members Present	Cllrs B Roberts (Chair), S Grandidge, A Cowling, V Score and S Emery.
Others in Attendance	Mrs J Medwell (Clerk)

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476	<p>To receive and approve apologies: Cllr M Whitehouse NNC Cllr D Howes</p>	
477	<p>Member's declaration of interest in items on the agenda and any changes to the members Register of Interests: There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda. There were no changes to the Members' Register of Interests.</p>	
478	<p>To approve and sign the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 15th July 2024 were agreed as a true record of that meeting and were duly signed by the Chair. Proposed Cllr Grandidge Seconded Cllr Score All in favour.</p>	
479	<p>Matters Arising from the last Parish Council meeting: The Chair reminded the Council of the VE event next year and again urged Councillors to consider whether they would wish to commemorate this in any way. The Council is still to consider how to best to use the website, including the archive of historical data.</p>	
480	<p>Open Forum and Exchange of Information: There were no representations made at this point.</p>	
481	<p>Specific Matters: a) Recreation Area Working Group (RAWG): Cllr Grandidge referred to the proposed footpath /crossing from 1 Butlers Yard and access to the rec area. He will make contact with the company which is to provide construction drawings. These will need to be approved before rec ground works can be done. The Council approved the change of name of the obsolete Weston by Welland Village Hall Charity to the WbW Recreation Area Charity (WbWRAC), the sole purpose of which is to raise funds to build and maintain a rec area for public use. The trustees of the WBWRAC will be Simon Grandidge, Anna Cowling and Katherine Cox. Two further trustees will be recruited at a later date. Proposed Cllr Grandidge Seconded Cllr Cowling All in favour</p>	SG

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	<p>b) Environmental Group: The Chair volunteered to organise a river clearance event in the spring. He will consult the landowners for the best time for this. Cllr Cowling will liaise with the tree warden for dates for another tree walk.</p>	BR AC																																			
	<p>c) Highways Group: Cllr Score brought to the Council's attention new gateways observed in the surrounding Leicestershire villages. Cllr Score will look into the cost and availability for Weston by Welland. Cllr Emery advised that he was putting together speed data (summary and graphs) to be put onto the website. Cllrs Roberts and Emery will attend the Welland Wanderer meeting tomorrow evening.</p>	VS SE/JM BR/SE																																			
	<p>d) Village Maintenance: Cllr Emery informed the Council that the refurbishment of the village sign is under way. The middle plaque has been repaired.</p>																																				
	<p>e) Safety Review of Parish Assets: The Chair has carried out and circulated the review of the parish assets. Cllrs Emery and Grandidge will have a look at painting the phone box. Cllr Emery will look into organising a defib training session.</p>	SG/SE SE																																			
	<p>f) Financial Regulations: The Council agreed to adopt the adapted new model Financial Regulations Proposed Cllr Roberts Seconded Cllr Grandidge All in favour.</p>																																				
	<p>g) Community Governance Review: The Council referred to correspondence from NNC regarding the proposed Community Governance Review. It is envisaged that the review will be completed in 2026. There will then be a period before any new arrangements resulting from the review will come into effect which will be at the next set of scheduled parish council elections in May 2029.</p>																																				
	<p>h) Village Security: In the absence of Cllr Whitehouse and police representation, this item was deferred to a future meeting.</p>																																				
	<p>i) Town and Parish Strategic Forum: Cllr Score will attend the next forum meeting in November on behalf of the Council.</p>																																				
482	<p>Financial Matters: (a) Payments There were no payments to authorise</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="244 1697 1394 1742"> <thead> <tr> <th>Payee</th> <th>Details</th> <th>Total Amount</th> <th>VAT Element</th> <th>Legal Authority</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="5">(b) Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliation</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Current Account</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>£3,114.98</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Savings Account</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>£20,054.25</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Ring Fenced Environment Grant</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>£1,390.18</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"> Rec Area</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>£12,442.86</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Total Balance of Reserves</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td><u>£9,336.19</u></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The Bank Reconciliation was unanimously approved and signed by the Chair.</p>	Payee	Details	Total Amount	VAT Element	Legal Authority	(b) Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliation					Current Account				£3,114.98	Savings Account				£20,054.25	Ring Fenced Environment Grant				£1,390.18	Rec Area				£12,442.86	Total Balance of Reserves				<u>£9,336.19</u>	
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483	<p>Planning: NK/2024/0487 and NK/2024/0488. Home Farm Part demolition of ancillary buildings and erection of 2 no. dwellings, Construction of car port (Full Planning and Listed Building Consent)</p> <p>This application had been received after the agenda had been posted. The Council will consider this and submit its response in the required timeframe.</p> <p>The Clerk will circulate a planning policy for the Council to consider for adoption which covers planning applications coming in between meetings.</p>	JM
484	<p>Correspondence: There was no further correspondence to consider.</p>	
485	<p>New items for inclusion on the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting: To commence 2025/26 Budget Setting Process To set dates for next year</p>	
486	<p>Date of next meeting 18th November 2024</p>	

The Meeting Closed at 8.27 pm

Signed Chair Dated