

Wellow Parish Council

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Meeting of Wellow Parish Council

Monday 17th November 2025 7.30pm at Memorial Hall, Wellow

Present Cllrs M Webster, D West, J Ragsdale, E Meyer, R Henson

C Cllr J Gamble

Members of the Public

1 **Declarations of intent to record, film or photograph the meeting by members of the public or the press**
None

2 **To receive apologies for absence**
Cllr Kitson DCllr L Tift

3 **Declarations of members interest in agenda items**
Cllr D West item 14

4 **To Approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 22nd September 2025**
Proposed by Cllr Meyer, seconded by Cllr Ragsdale All in favour

5 **To received petitions and questions from member of the public – for information only**
None

6 **Reports from District and County Councillors**
*Cllr Gamble advised £739,000 had been saved from Pension Management
Rufford Ford consultation has been reopened and residents have been invited to contribute*

7 **Finance**

*Payments were authorised for Clerks wages, ICO annual subscription, Waste Bin signs , grids for Play
Park and Cement
Balance sheets for August September were reviewed, and half yearly report was presented*

8 **Planning Application – 25/01862/PIP for 2-9 Bungalows of Newark Rd**
*Councillors object to the planning application for reasons of Road Safety, Flood Risk,
A risk to Wildlife and an isolated development – All in favour*

9 **Christmas Lights Event – donation request for this annual event**
All were in favour of continued support of this event and agreed a donation of £75

10 **Play Park - Inspection report**

*The boundary fence post is wobbly , Cllrs West and Webster will get cement to stabilise. The
Waste bin has been removed. Cllr Meyer proposed purchase of new waste bin seconded
Cllr Ragsdale All in favour. The footpath needs resurfacing and C Cllr Gamble to enquire about
red shale*

Dog Exclusion signage costings

*The clerk gave costings of new signage and it was unanimously agreed to purchase 4x Aluminium
signs - being more robust*

11 Gorge Dyke/Millennium Garden - report and recommendations

Cllr West reported that the Dyke cleared of debris 2 weeks ago but rain has brought down more debris from above Garden and the grid is blocked once again.

The clerk will contact flooding officer again sending pictures to ask for Assistance, in getting Dyke above Garden cleared. The amount coming down into the garden is unprecedented

Also to check when the culvert on Potter Lane will be cleared by VIA

12 Parish Field - note outcome from visit to NSDC

It was apparent from the visit that the officers working on the biodiversity project had not checked their archives and history surrounding the Parish field and funding of Dyke maintenance or the flooding issues in Wellow. After long discussion they agreed to look at their records over Land Registry submission and get back to Wellow PC. There was also a verbal offer given to continue funding but no details given of how this would be determined /duration Shanade Bradley stated that the current tenant would be offered an extension to the lease as plans for the field were unlikely to proceed for sometime

Recent response from Land Registry

The clerk had received documents submitted by NSDC when registering - part of Enclosure Award , though no explanation of its relevance and statement of truth, which only stated land let since at least 2021, (actually 1800's) No mention was made of the 1996 agreement whereby the rental income collected was passed to Wellow PC for Dyke Maintenance.

The Council unanimously agreed to the following course of action

- *Write to Land Registry to determine (considering omission) if Land registered without Overriding interest was correct*
- *Clerk to contact solicitors for quotes*
- *Parish Councillors to explore media options for next meeting*
- *Write to NSDC to see why offer of extension had not been passed onto tenant*
- *Ask NSDC if they have considered flooding issues*
- *Make no comment on offer of funding (when /if recd) until legal advice received*

13 Website/DirGovUK Website – correspondence re costs of email(s)

Hugo Fox had written with new email offer for Dir/Gov website for small Parish Councils . Cllr M Webster proposed we have one email for the clerk as this was recommended Best Practice. Seconded by Cllr Henson , All in favour Cost £2.99 per mth

Lack of response to news item placed on website for updates

It was agreed to prepare a leaflet advertising Web Site and place in Notice Boards, Maypole Court and other prominent places

14 Allotments

It was noted Mr E Ilett had passed away, Mr Ilett had been a Trustee of the Poor Lands charity who run the Allotments , and was involved with the Allotments since 1965.

Cllr West fellow Trustee spoke of Mr Ilett's extraordinary serve to the village and as Trustee will be preparing a statement in due course.

Clerk will prepare a vacancy notice for the Role of Trustee after the funeral

15 Correspondence

letter had been received from John O'Connor company offering free quote for grounds maintenance. Not needed at this time, but email to say we will review in spring

Time and day of next meeting

12th January 2026 7.30 at Maypole Court

Meeting closed 9.03

Signed Chairman

Dated

