

Wellow Parish Council

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Minutes of Meeting Monday 22nd June 2025, 7.30pm at Maypole Court,
Wellow

Present Cllrs D West, J Ragsdale, E Meyer CClr Gamble

4 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

Cllrs Henson and Cllr Webster both due to work

3 Declarations of members interest in agenda item

None

4 to receive questions and petitions from members of the public – for information only

None

5 Finance

- AGAR form, year-end balance etc, and to sign off

The details were agreed and form signed. This will be posted on website

- Note Auditors report

Auditor was happy with the accounts and record keeping. He suggested the Councils assets were re-valued and register updated as necessary

- New Account for holding grant funding and EMR

A separate account has been opened to enable grant funding and E.M.R to be held to simplify accounting and for transparency. Clerk produced a schedule att'd of recent transfers to this account. NB the Maypole Reserve Acct stands alone

- note and agree payments for clerks wages and Auditors fee £90

Agreed

6 Planning Applications - none at time of writing

7 Grant Funding - to note additional funding £500 has been applied for from C Cllr Gamble divisional fund for Dog Walk repairs. Previous grant for this project £301.50 will expire 10/03/2027

Noted

Speed Watch equipment to be funded by C Cllr Gamble – matters around this to be discussed by C Cllr Gamble

Cllr Gamble explained that he had trained some volunteers for a speed watch group and proposed that Wellow PC be given a grant of £500 to purchase Speed Watch equipment – it would be the property of WPC but would be used by the team of volunteers at Wellow and other villagers. As Wellow PC has no buildings the clerk will have to check if Insurance would cover equipment held on non-council premises. Cllr Gamble will email clerk with details of grant and purchase requirements

8 Play Park Grant - closing date for this 31/07/2026 matter unresolved from last meeting

Councillors agreed in principle, working group to define what was needed

9 Bulb Planting - C Cllr Gamble grant from last year to be utilised by 16/11/2026

To agree purchase, areas to be planted and permissions needed from Toft holders

Working group to meet to decide areas for planting and permissions needed. Cllr Gamble happy to assist with planting out bulbs. Clerk to advertise for volunteers etc

10 Allotments - Advice from NALC on registering with Land Registry

Clerk reported that Wellow Allotments were not listed with Land Registry and NALC had provided advice from Solicitor on how to Register them. This may be time consuming for the clerk or too costly using a solicitor. Clerk recommended the Parish Council join the National Allotment Society and then seek their advice on the matter. Cost £70 plus VAT. Proposed Cllr Ragsdale , Seconded D West All in Favour.

Additionally the allotment/charity bank account has been frozen under probate , payments will need to go through WPC bank account until the matter is resolved

- Report from Darrell West as Trustee of the Poor Lands Charity - on vision for the allotments going forward -

Darrell West gave a full report of vision for the allotments moving forward , including adoption of bio diversity policy, removal of all plastics. and reduction in allotment sizes to make them more user friendly, increase the number and reduce water consumption. Edge planting small native and fruit trees to increase habitats. Forming an Allotment Holders group .

D West will present the details of the request bid – re trees – application to Greenwood scheme at the next meeting

Next meeting 21st July 2026 7.30 at Memorial Hall

Meeting closed 9.00

Signed and Dated