

Weston Parish Council

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Minutes of the Weston Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 3rd of September 2025 in the Village Hall at 7:30pm.

Present: Cllr Simon Meadows (chair), Parish Councillors D Hill, R Henderson, D Chase, R Liversidge, S Widdowson

Clerk: Callum Bryant, Newark and Sherwood District Councillor Sylvia Michael, 2 Residents.

25.09.01 APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

25.09.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

25.09.03 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Residents spoke on local issues such as the condition of the footbridge on Bell Lane, blocked gullies, and highways issues. A report was given of a car crash outside of Post Boy Cottages.

25.09.04 UPDATE FROM DISTRICT / COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Newark and Sherwood District Councillor Sylvia Michaels gave an update on planning applications in the parish, domestic food waste collection, and local enforcement issues.

- CLOSURE OF THE PUBLIC SESSION -

members of the public may remain to observe but can take no further part in the council meeting

25.09.05 MINUTES

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd of July as accurate.

25.09.06 CO-OPTION

A resident expressed an interest in being co-opted.

It was resolved to co-opt Stuart Widdowson onto Weston Parish Council. The meeting was suspended momentarily while the declaration of acceptance of office was signed.

25.09.07 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Cllr Meadows gave an update on the enforcement issues regarding the unlawful development within the parish. The response from Newark and Sherwood District Council was extremely prompt with enforcement being supported by the police. He also provided an update on the solar park access, changes, and how the parish council was, as part of a wider group, working to represent residents' interests. Wider consultation is

open until the 2nd of October, and the link will be found on the website. All residents are encouraged to take part in the consultation.

Cllr Hill gave an update on the Safer Neighbourhood Forum and the possibility of addressing speeding issues.

25.09.08 HIGHWAYS

No further highways issues were raised.

25.09.09 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE

- a) Accounts presented were noted.
- b) The transaction summary was signed.
- c) The bank reconciliation was signed.
- d) Expenditure against budget was noted.

25.09.10 ASSET REGISTER

Deferred to next agenda.

25.09.11 DEFIBRILLATOR

It was resolved that the Chair will take over defibrillator maintenance should the current volunteer not continue.

25.09.12 SCHEME OF DELEGATION

It was resolved to approve the Scheme of Delegation and consider amendment at next meeting.

25.09.13 RECORDS AND ARCHIVES

It was resolved that the clerk would take custody of the physical records, produce an index of their contents, and make a recommendation to the council.

25.09.14 LENGTHSMAN

Cllr Hill to store lengthsman's equipment. Council to advertise position more widely.

25.09.15 PLANNING MATTERS

The council discussed local planning issues and the possibility of a Neighbourhood Plan.

25.09.16 ONGOING ISSUES AND UPDATES

No further issues were raised other than those already discussed.

25.09.17 CORRESPONDENCE AND ISSUES RAISED

The council discussed ongoing issues, including the sale of land adjacent to the church.

25.09.18 NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

Items for the next meeting were relayed to the clerk.