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Minutes of the meeting held on
Monday 8 February 2016, 7.30pm in the Hall for All, Weston Longville

PRESENT:

Clare Morton (CM), (Chair), Ruth Goodall (RG), Justin Cohu (JC) and Craig O'Brien (CO)

Other attendance: Sonya Blythe (clerk)

1	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies were received and accepted from Peter Ross, John Staveley and Anthony Thomas. It was noted that PR will be absent for over six months, the reasons for which were given and accepted.
2	Members' Declarations of Interests
	CO declared an interest as an employee of Balfour Beatty working on the NNDR. Register of interest forms would all be updated at the May meeting.
3	To approve and sign the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 November 2015
	The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed subject to the following amendment:-. Item 8c should read: "c) NNDR – it was noted that funding had now been confirmed for the NNDR and work was likely to start shortly."
4	To receive information on matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda
4.1	CM reported that she had only received one response from residents regarding the wheelie bin speed awareness stickers, so these had not been purchased.
4.2	The Atlas Works planning application had not yet gone to committee.
4.3	Philip Goodall was in the process of organizing a litter pick for March.
8	Highways issues
	a) To receive an update b) To consider tasks for the next Highway Rangers visit

	c) NDR and traffic calming in Weston: Progress Report (Ruth Goodall) a) Traffic monitoring results taken in October 2015 were received. The survey had been taken to verify the impact of the new signage (not all of which are up), directing vehicles around the HGV route. Results demonstrated that since 2014 the number of cars coming through the village from Fakenham Road had increased from 1163 to 1324 now. The volume of traffic on all roads had increased by at least 9%. The information indicated that the signs have made little difference. CM agreed to circulate a map showing the traffic directions and numbers. b) The usual tasks would be sent to the parish rangers. In addition a fallen street sign for Church Street had been found by JC, which the clerk would report. c) NNDR - Gavin Broad had not yet drawn up proposals regarding the next phase of traffic calming and road maintenance through the parish. He had now promised it by March 2016. CM agreed to write to him to reconfirm that the plans were needed urgently as they were extremely over due.
9	Village Hall and Play area a) Update (Ruth Goodall)
	RG advised that at the AGM she had accepted the role of chairman again. Bookings were still constant and the village hall had submitted a funding bid for LED lighting.
10	Greener Weston a) To receive an update (Craig O'Brien)
	CO reported that a meeting of Greener Weston had taken place with a detailed discussion being held, which would be followed with an article in the Wensum Diary. Consideration would be given to purchasing signs that warned of wild animals in the road, and asking drivers to slow down. Dates were being sought for a litter pick to be carried out.
11	To consider Planning issues: a) Planning Applications/Enforcement (Clerk) None outstanding.
12	To receive correspondence and agree action/response (Clerk) None outstanding.
13	Financial matters a) The clerk noted that the annual allotment payments had not been received. CM would speak to a resident to assist with collection.

	b) It was agreed to add CM to the bank account as a signatory. c) The revised accounts for 2015/2016 were noted. d) The following payments were received: i) Clerk salary and expenses Jan - Mar (salary £437.80 (paid 1 March by standing order), expenses £9.38, tax £109.60,) ii) SLCC - Fees for clerks CiLCA submission (previously agreed) £250.00 iii) Broadland Council – May 2015 Election Payment £193.43 e) Receipt of £4,530.00 from Norfolk Community Foundation for a replacement bus shelter in Morton on the Hill was noted.
14	Any Other Business (items for information only). a) A discussion was held about the absence of fast broadband within the parish. It was agreed that the church would be approached to reconsider their position regarding a mast on the church tower, and JU would contact Better Broadband for Norfolk to establish the position for the parish. b) CM had attended a meeting regarding the possibility of a footpath at the golf club. There had been no objection in principle as long as the parish council indemnified the golf club against public liability. However the golf club land ended at its gates - after that point the land was owned by Mr Goymour who had previously stated he did not want a footpath, therefore there would be little use in having a footpath which did not extend the entire required route. c) Agreement was reached to look to organize a summer community event between the four local parishes. CM to take forward. d) A local yoga group had requested funding for subsidised classes whilst the group built up. During discussion it was recognised that funding should ideally be used for non-profit organisations. It was agreed to ask for specific costs and the amount required, and then the council could give consideration to paying for the room hire, which would benefit the Hall for All.
15	To confirm the date of the next meeting: Monday 9 May 2016.
	Meeting closed at 21.00pm

Signed
Chairman.