

Minutes of Weeley Parish Council Meeting held on 15 April 2019 at Weeley Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Botterell, Brown, Hamilton (Chair), Foster, Spong, Wesley-Smith.
Clerk; N Baker; ECC Cllr Erskine;

The Chair opened the meeting with a statement about the untimely death of Cllr Bailey. The sympathies of the Parish Council are extended to her family.

1. Apologies

Cllrs Green and Groom.

2. Confirmation of minutes.

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18 March 2019 were approved.
Proposed: Cllr Botterell., seconded: Cllr Hamilton

3. Declarations of interest

None

4. Matters for report from previous meetings

- Community Speedwatch; one site has been risk assessed and some training dates have been proposed.
- Weeley Heath gateway scheme has been validated and costed by the LHP

5. Questions from members of the public

Matters raised related to potholes in The Street, the sale of cars near Spencer Way, planning applications, building work along the by-pass and the future of the by-pass poplars.

6. Essex County Council & Tendring District Council liaison reports

Neither Cllr Erskine nor Cllr Brown had anything to add to their report given in the preceding Annual Parish Meeting.

7. Weeley Residents' Association report

The report covered various activities and projects.

8. Correspondence

Correspondence on the following was received: proposed West Tey garden community; housing numbers; Frinton Festival; EALC.

9. Planning

The following planning applications were considered:

19/00473/TPO Defer to TDC's tree officer.	Various TPO trees - root severance	Land at Cravenwood Close Church Lane Weeley
19/00296/LBC Weeley Parish Council has no comment to make on this application	Replaced failing guttering and full external re-decoration.	The Ancient House 60 The Street Weeley

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<p>19/00460/FUL Weeley Parish Council has no objection to this application, subject to confirmation that the proposed extension will not project beyond the building line.</p>	<p>Proposed single storey front and rear extensions.</p>	<p>12 Mill Lane Weeley Heath</p>
<p>19/00558/FUL Weeley Parish Council has no objection to this application.</p>	<p>Single storey rear extension.</p>	<p>18 Thornberry Avenue, Weeley</p>
<p>19/00524/OUT Weeley Parish Council objects to this new application on behalf of the people of Weeley. Whilst recognizing a need in the county for additional homes, this development would totally overwhelm the village of Weeley. The infrastructure simply could not cope with such a large development, following on from the number of new builds already completed or under way in the village. A number of residents have already submitted objections citing the additional risk of flooding to their properties and this is reinforced by comments made at the monthly parish council meetings.</p> <p>The figures stated in the transport assessment indicate a surprisingly small increase in traffic volumes; so small as to indicate a flawed methodology. Whatever the actual figure, any increase in traffic volumes will cause significant inconvenience and delays for local residents and through traffic, not to mention the increased risk of accidents.</p> <p>Reliance on public transport is simply not sustainable given the poor train service and limited bus service.</p> <p>Finally, it goes without saying that local residents are dismayed at the way that this application has been allowed to be re-submitted. Local opposition is vehement and unanimous.</p>	<p>Outline planning application with all matters reserved, except for access, for 280 dwellings, a 2 Form of Entry primary school, 56 place early years nursery, up to 3000 sqm of office (B1) buildings etc</p>	<p>Land to The South of Thorpe Road Weeley</p>
<p>19/00080/FUL Weeley Parish Council continues to object to this revision in line with our comments dated 25 January 2019.</p>	<p>Variation of condition 2 of application 17/00843/FUL to construct additional access</p>	<p>Wolvers Thorpe Road Weeley</p>

10. Local Plan

Nothing to report.

11. Highways & footpaths

The Chair and the Clerk had assessed all signage in the village and this will be submitted to the LHP as a signage review.

12. Street lights

There are a number of lights which seem to be repeat failures. The following are currently out: 9092 The Street; 9061 Colchester Road; 9023 Clacton Road; 9034 Clacton Road; 9029 Clacton Road.

13. Tree Warden

Nothing additional to report.

14. Playing Field

The new goal posts are being well used.

15. Playground

Nothing to report.

16. Grass cutting & maintenance

The new season's cutting programme has started.

17. TDALC

Report has been e-mailed to Councillors.

18. Rural policing

22 crimes in February.

19. Local elections

The eight nominated Councillors have been returned unopposed. This includes the late Cllr Bailey. The vacancy caused by her death and the remaining vacancy will be eligible to be filled by co-option.

20. Legal agreement

It was agreed not to vote on the adoption of a legal agreement with ECC regarding flower beds at Spencer Way as Weeley in Bloom is not yet in a position to proceed with this project due to the costs involved.

21. Weeley Heath boundary

It was agreed that ECC Highways be asked to confirm the exact location of the village gateways prior to installation to ensure that they are placed in an appropriate location.

22. Kempton Park

It was resolved to accept a quotation of £1,588 to resolve the flooding problems on land owned by the Parish Council at Kempton Park. Proposed; Cllr Hamilton; seconded; Cllr Botterell.

23. Accounts for payment

The following accounts for payment were approved. Proposed; Cllr Hamilton; seconded; Cllr Botterell.

INVOICE DATE	CHEQUE NO.	PAYEE	PURPOSE	£ NET	£ VAT	£ GROSS
15/04/2019	102951	N BAKER	SALARY	443.65		443.65
15/04/2019	102951	N BAKER	MILEAGE	57.60		57.60
15/04/2019	102951	N BAKER	SOFTWARE	79.99		79.99
			TOTAL			581.24
31/03/2019	102952	WEELEY VILLAGE HALL	HALL HIRE	90.00		90.00
31/03/2019	102952	WEELEY VILLAGE HALL	PLAY AREA ELECTRICITY	18.43		18.43
			TOTAL			108.43
26/03/2019	102953	A & J LIGHTING	STREET LAMP REPAIRS	91.45	18.29	109.74
04/04/2019	102953	A & J LIGHTING	STREET LAMP REPAIRS	91.45	18.29	109.74
01/04/2019	102953	A & J LIGHTING	MONTHLY MAINTENANCE	99.98	20.00	119.98
			TOTAL			339.46
29/10/2018	102954	LADYWELL ACCOUNTANCY	PAYROLL	52.00		52.00
01/04/2019	102955	EALC	SUBSCRIPTION	466.20		466.20
25/03/2019	102956	KENDALL FACILITY MGMT	GROUNDS MAINTENANCE	394.33	78.87	473.20
02/04/2019	DD	E-ON	STREET LIGHT ELECTRICITY	379.77	75.95	455.72
21/03/2019	DD	BT	TELEPHONE	36.14		36.14

24. Further questions from the public

Questions on the following were received:

Thorpe Road planning appeal, the conduct of local developers, dog poo bags and bins.