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Westley Parish Council minutes

7 November 2019

Present: Chris Anderson (CA); Jim Sweetman (JS); Alan Green (AG); Mike Spenser-Morris (MSM); Steve McClellan. Jen Larner (JL) – Clerk. Ian Houlder (West Suffolk); Karen Soons (SCC)

Apology: Gary Smith. **Absent:** Colin Clayton

34/2019. Declarations of interest: none

35/2019. Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 12 September 2019 were approved, with one amendment ((30/2019 should be Old Church Lane) and signed as a true record.

36/2019. Reports from County and Borough Councillors – Karen Soons had circulated her monthly report.

37/2019. Finance – authorisation of payments: The balance in the bank is £3402. The following payments were authorised: JL salary September £77.83, and October £78.03; SALC payroll £54; Election expenses £21.34; ICO £35 (direct debit); One Suffolk (web hosting) £60; Insurance £185.64 (this is a three year LTU and includes all assets ie VAS and defibrillator).

38/2019. Defibrillator training: it was reported that 27 people have now been trained in excellent sessions. There are two more sessions to come. Thanks were given to JS and CC for organising these.

39/2019. Planning applications: DC/19/1947/HH – I Bullens Close, Hill Road. Two storey side extension, first floor rear extension, replacement pitched roof. No objections raised. DC/19/1808/HH – 5 Becket Close, single storey rear extension, two storey side extension and outbuilding. No objections.

Update on Pigeon development – it was noted that Pigeon is querying the need for an Environmental impact assessment, and is going to the Secretary of State for a judgment on this.

40/2019. Correspondence: Freedom of Information request has been received regarding the wording on the signs at the entrance to the village. A response was drafted and agreed and will be sent by the clerk.

Invitation to West Suffolk Civic Carol service, 2 December at 7pm.

Notification of consultation period (to 26 November) of West Suffolk Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (circulated).

41/2019. Urgent business: it was noted that there is increased congestion on Old Church Lane, with tractors going up and down this access road, and the possibility of a new access being considered by the farmer.

Date of next meeting: 9 January 2020

Jen Larner Clerk