

From the Archives

From the pages of the Welton NEWS in August 2000...

Parents, friends and local businesses were reported to have raised £10,000 for St Mary's school and with 'matching funds' it brought the total to £23,333 to be used to provide computer technology for the pupils at the school.

The Police File report included a local incident where counterfeit currency was tendered in respect of some services which raised the suspicion of staff. One of the culprits returned, attempting to buy back the counterfeit Bank of Scotland £10 notes.

There was further correspondence regarding a meeting called to discuss concerns about the bus route along Westhall and Rivehall. It was alleged that residents of Stonecliff Park had heckled speakers who spoke against the new route.

A parish councillor's resignation letter outlined allegations that despite his long hours of work attempting to turn around the financial situation at Manor Park his reward was to be reprimanded for not following financial regulations. In a separate article the chairman of the parish council explained the issue of the debt relating to Manor Park, the need to follow legal guidelines and why the council were taking new actions to address the issues at Manor Park.

Bill Cave was saddened by the news that the village cricket club had folded.

And from the August 2010 issue....

Parish councillors considered a report on the perception of the public to the workings of the council. The council was seen as focused on past achievements and too prone to an 'it's been tried before' approach to issues. The high turnover of councillors was attributed to their frustration with the working of the council. In the debate at the parish council, many councillors rejected this description of the council; new ideas were welcome but procedures had to be followed. A proposal to set up a sub-committee to prepare a consultation document on the issue was defeated.

A six-year old child coming out of school at Occupation Lane had recently been knocked down by a slow-moving car and had fortunately avoided serious injury. It was reported that Lincolnshire County Council Highways had stated that "nothing would be done pending a fatality". A search had begun in the village to appoint a 'lollipop person'.

Jim Cook warned residents against taking a holiday in Wales. He quoted from an item from The Times newspaper that reported, "Wales will become the first part of Britain to take dying people's organs without their consent".

Elsewhere, an article by Penny Scillen, warned about a new cheese on sale at Waitrose which was described on the packaging as, "Handmade...using local milk from our family and friends..."