

ISLEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Chair: Richard Radcliffe

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD on

Monday 4th November 2024 at 19:15

Those Present; Cllr R Radcliffe (RR); Cllr Dr C Corbin (CC); Cllr D Beckett (DB); Cllr Dr A Noble (AN); Cllr Dr A Burn (AB); Cllr A Dennis (AD); Cllr P Wilkes (PW); Cllr M Caffarelli; Cllr C Elmer.

Members of the public: 3

County Councillor: Cllr. Mark Goldsack (MG)

District: Cllr. Julia Huff (JH).

Quorum: Four

Clerk: Rachel Nouch.

Responsible Finance Officer: Janet Hall

	AGENDA	Action
24-25/136	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE LGA	
	Cllr G Preece (GP), Cllr V Bruyneel-Smith (VB-S).	
24-25/137	DECLARATION OF INTEREST 1972s95	
	None Declared.	
24-25/138	OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (15mins)	
	i) Hedges outside 53 Beck Road – they have been reported, Clerk to check with MG.	Clerk
	ii) Isleham Lime Kilns – it has been noted that dog walkers and members of the public are walking / riding bikes on top of the kilns, proposed some signs, Clerk to contact Historic England. AB to contact Bat Survey company.	Clerk AB
24-25/139	TO APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD:	
	7 TH October 2024. Proposed CE, seconded PW. Agreed, unanimous.	
24-25/140	MATTERS ARISING / CLERKS REPORT	
(a)	No matters to be addressed	Clerk
24-25/141	COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT & BUSINESS	
(a)	County Councillors.	
	i) I met with director of Highways last Friday and we will see six patch repairs to Prickwillow Rd, Gt Fen Rd and Hasse Rd in next few weeks.	Clerk
	ii) Bids now open for community environmental projects, details include such as solar, ground source or even living roofs. Plan details sent to chair.	
	iii) At last week's Assets and procurement mtg I argued that I. The annual resident survey completed CCC stated it had 'maintained' 4600km of our roads and pathways. My argument was they had responsibility for 4600km of roads but definitely had not maintained them all!	
	iv) I have helped Isleham residents with planning applications, overcrowding hedgerows and trees, and care package advice this month. These really do make a change from road or path-based issues!	
	v) Located owner of the Pattersons land and am assured a suitable planning application will be received before end of 2024.	
(b)	District Councillors Report	
	i) ECDC Local Plan will be reviewed. Call for local land will go out. Parish Neighbourhood Plans will be protected.	
	ii) Bloor Homes Gifted Land – Section 106 contribution not complete. JH to speak to the lawyers at ECDC.	
24-25/142	MONTHLY FINANCIAL MATTERS	
(a)	Pay Accounts November 2024. Proposed DB, seconded CC. Agreed, unanimous.	DB / JH

(b)	To Approve Bank Reconciliations for September 2024. Proposed CC, seconded PW. Agreed, unanimous.	
(c)	Approval for Dunstall Charity Annual return 2023/2024. Proposed AN, seconded CC. Agreed, unanimous.	
(d)	Isleham Informer. It was agreed to defer this matter to next meeting with a cost breakdown.	JH
(e)	Quote to repair sunken road at the back of the Beeches - £540 John Allen. Proposed DB, seconded MC. Agreed, unanimous.	Clerk
(f)	It was noted a Finance Working Party Meeting would be held on Monday 25 th November 2024, 7pm at the Beeches.	Clerk / JH
24-25/143	PLANNING MATTERS	
(a)	Planning Applications:	
	Proposal: Proposed demolition of existing conservatory and construction of two storey rear extension and associated works Location: 3 Sheldricks Road Isleham Ely Cambridgeshire CB7 5SP Reference: 24/01054/FUL Comments were due 31.10.24 – extension request has been granted to 05.11.24. No Comment	
(b)	Planning Approvals	
(i)	Proposal: Two storey extension to side, single storey extension to rear, external insulation and render main dwelling and associated works. Location: 15 Station Road Isleham Ely Cambridgeshire CB7 5QT Reference: 24/00602/FUL Noted	
(ii)	Proposal: Change of use of workshop building (Use Class E) to dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) Location: 2 Station Road Isleham Ely Cambridgeshire CB7 5QT Reference: 24/00895/ERN Noted	
(c)	Planning Refusals:	
	No matter to be addressed	
(d)	Other Planning Matters:	
(i)	A pre application enquiry been received by ECDC. Reference: PREAPP/00162/24 Noted	
24-25/144	ENVIRONMENT AND WASH	
(a)	Pride of Place grant application form has been submitted.	
24-25/145	POLICE MATTERS	
	No matter to be addressed	
24-25/146	PLAY AREA & SKATEPARK	
(a)	No matter to be addressed	
24-25/147	RECREATION GROUND MATTERS	
(a)	Wicksted play equipment quotation, total excluding VAT £1,913.04. Proposed PW, seconded DB. Agreed, unanimous.	
24-25/148	CEMETERY & CHURCHYARD MATTERS	
(a)	No matter to be addressed	Clerk
24-25/149	ICA REPORT/THE BEECHES	
(a)	Trustee Report. None present.	Clerk
(b)	Beeches roof and guttering. Quotes have been sought, report back to Council next meeting. Unlikely to be this year as the gutters need to be completely dry for re-sealing. It was agreed that annual maintenance of the gutters was required.	MC / DB
(c)	Beeches Boiler replacement. Councillor agreed to spend up to £20,000 to fully replace the existing boiler. Agreed to vier the EMR funds to the Beeches reserves and use Beeches reserve funds. Finance Working Party to make a recommendation to Council.	Clerk

	It was also agreed to replace all radiator valves, as this compliment the works to replace the boiler. Proposed MC, seconded DB. Agreed, unanimous.	
(d)	Proposal for immersion heater circa £400. Proposed PW, seconded CC. Agreed, unanimous.	
(e)	Command Pest Control for vermin control. It was agreed IPC would pay for the full amount for IPC and the Beeches. Proposed DB, seconded AN. Agreed, unanimous.	JH
24-25/150	HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MATTERS	
(a)	Proposal to upgrade to a Zebra crossing at Malting Lane. Clerk to raise the matter with Highways. 3rd LHI bid?	Clerk
(b)	Cambridgeshire County Council (Fordham Road and Hall Barn Road, Isleham) (30mph and 40mph Speed Limit) Order 202\$. No comment.	Clerk
(c)	It was reported trees are blocking the Highway from 56 the Causeway up to Festival Road. Clerk to report to CCC.	Clerk
24-25/151	PARISH COUNCIL POLICY UPDATES AND REVIEW	
(a)	No matter to be addressed	
24-25/152	CORRESPONDENCE/MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY	
(a)	ECDC new Local Plan. Noted in JH's update.	
(b)	Jubilee Close Trees. It was noted there are overgrown trees at Jubilee Close, the Council does not own this land and cuts the grass as a service to the residents. It was agreed to advise to contact the Developer / Management Company.	Clerk
(c)	Parish Council Land Query. There were no objections raised to the proposal for ENC to connect an LV cable to the existing UKPN pole on the land. It was agreed this was PC land and a proof of letting is the Dunstall allotment rental agreements. Clerk to send Objects of the Dunstall Charity and a map.	Clerk
(d)	Issue raised Ivy on Wall. It was agreed this can be cleared either by our Village Maintenance or obtain a quote. It was agreed the Clerk would be able to approve for costs under £500.	Clerk
(e)	75th Anniversary USAF Bomber Crash Memorial Service Thank you. Thanks were expressed to CC for his efforts in organising. RR to re-site commemoration plaque to St Andrew Church.	Noted RR
(f)	East Cambridgeshire District Council: Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion Policy 2025-2028 Consultation.	Noted
(g)	East Cambridgeshire Community Fund application dates.	Noted
	MC raised a Residents concerns that golf is not to be played on the village recreation ground.	Agreed
24-25/153	ALLOTMENT MATTERS	
(a)	The allotment posts are ready to be sited. Awaiting works to commence.	
24-25/154	ORCHARD MATTERS	
	No matter to be addressed	
24-25/155	MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS The meeting closed at 20.20 and reopened at 20:33. Approve Excluded Minutes 24-25/133. The meeting closed at 20.38.	
24-25/156	DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS	
	Monday 2 nd December 2024.	
24-25/157	AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT / FUTURE MEETING	
	Any business and payments, to be considered at Parish Council meeting must be delivered to the Clerk for inclusion on the agenda at least 7 days prior to the meeting.	