

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
13th APRIL 2015
AT THE BEECHES**

Those Present; - Cllr Beckett (DB); Cllr Mrs H Thompson (HT); Cllr Mitchell (BM); Mrs P Wilkes (PW); Mrs G Preece (GP); Cllr Radcliffe (RR); Cllr Mrs Malkin (JM); Cllr Neal (LN); Cllr Chaplin (PC); Cllr Patterson (CP) Cllr Mrs V Bruyneel-Smith (VBS) arrived at 9.07pm

Members 11

Quorum 4

5 Parishioners

The meeting opened at 7.19pm.

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| 14-15/248 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
C Cllr Palmer; C Cllr Schumann; Cllr VBS will be late; | | 1 |
| 14-15/249 COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST for items on agenda
Cllr D Beckett: Planning Applications (ECDC Planning Committee) | | |
| 14-15/250 OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (15mins)
Mrs Winter: A car has been dumped in Limestone Close, the police and the council have not done anything about removing it. The Parish Council will contact the relevant authorities.
Leighton Sheldrick has set up a Cambridge and District Sunday Football League (Cambs FA) Can they use the recreation ground annually to raise money for charity? They would like to use it on 24 th May this year. The plan is for 52 teams to play 5 aside. | | |
| 14-15/251 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD 2nd MARCH 2015
It was proposed by RR and seconded by GP that the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd March 2015 are approved and signed. | | 3 |
| | | CARRIED |
| 14-15/252 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 16th MARCH 2015
It was proposed by CP and seconded by BM that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 th March 2015 are approved and signed. | | |
| | | CARRIED |
| 14-15/253 MATTERS ARISING/CLERKS REPORT (<i>for information only</i>)
2 nd March 228 RR had looked into alternative methods of 'gritting' outside The Beeches however the cost worked out 3-4 times more expensive than rock salt. | | |
| 14-15/254 POLICE MATTERS
a) Concerns have been raised about drug use on the recreation ground.
The dumped car in Limestone Close will be reported.
b) Volunteering within Cambridgeshire
c) The Parish Conference entitled 'Safer, Stronger, Sustainable,' was held on 2 nd April, and attended by JM and GP.
The focus of East Cambs Policing was the Constabulary and Community Safety Partnership priorities. It was stressed how Parish Councillors can act as 'eyes and ears of the community' in helping to identify the most vulnerable.
Other topics covered were building and growing facilities for Parish Communities – meeting demand for burial spaces in old and new cemeteries, and grant funding opportunities. The Parish Council's role in Community Led Planning; a talk was given on the importance of Neighbourhood Plans. | | |
| 14-15/255 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT & BUSINESS | | |

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- a) There was no report from the County Council.
The street lighting situation appears to be in chaos all over the county; it was proposed by RR and seconded by PW that a letter is sent to the County Council Chief Executive outlining the Councils concerns.

CARRIED

- b) The District Council Election will be held on 7th May.

14-15/256 TO RECEIVE RECOMMENDATION FROM ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

It was proposed by PW and seconded by PC that the Dunstall Apprentice Grant is increased to £250.

CARRIED

It was agreed that the Council would investigate the possibility of a footpath/cycleway to Fordham.

It was agreed that the Council would pursue the possibility of signage pertaining to the Nature Reserve on the Fordham Road.

It was proposed by DB and seconded by PC that a second letter will be sent to the chief executive of the county council about the lack of response from Highways.

CARRIED

14-15/257 RECREATION GOUND MATTERS

- a) The Youth Football Presentation Event is to be held on Sunday 31st May. Councillors are welcome to attend.

Noted

It was proposed by RR and seconded by LN that a charge of £100 is made for use of the recreation ground by the Cambridge and District Sunday Football League for a charity football match on Sunday 24th May.

6 in favour

3 against

CARRIED

JM suggested that there should be a policy with regard to charges for use of the recreation ground. This will be considered once the new council takes office.

- b) It was proposed by DB and seconded by PC that the gap in the fence at the back of the centre is filled in, and that a pair of gates is installed at the other end onto the road way with a gap to one side for pedestrians. A price will be sought for the gates.

CARRIED

- c) A quotation for installing the cricket fencing has not yet been received.

- d) The skate park has been completed and is being well used. The wording for the sign has been agreed.

It was proposed by BM and seconded by JM that a bin is purchased for the skate park area.

CARRIED

- e) It was proposed by RR and seconded by BM that the Gala may be held on the recreation ground on Saturday 4th July.

CARRIED

14-15/258 PLAY AREA MATTERS

- a) Nothing to report.

14-15/259 CEMETERY MATTERS

- a) Nothing to report.

- b) It was proposed by PW and seconded by PC that the purchase of exclusive right of burial is approved for Mrs Carolyn Bird.

CARRIED

14-15/260 ICA REPORT

- a) PC and CP declared an interest in this matter.

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After consideration of a letter from the ICA trustees, it was proposed by RR and seconded by LN that the rent payment is deferred until 1st February 2016.

An amendment was proposed by PW and seconded by HT that the payment is deferred until 1st February and that the ICA provide evidence that they are setting aside the funds to make sure that the payment can be made.

2 in favour

4 against

Motion Fallen

A vote was taken on the original proposal

5 in favour

3 abstained

CARRIED

CP And PC did not take part in the vote as they are trustees of the Centre.

b) The Centre Opening Ceremony is to be held on 2nd May.

c) It was proposed by GP and seconded by JM that the quotation from Create Signs for signage for the Beeches is approved. Only one quotation has been received as this is a specialist product.

CARRIED

CP And PC did not take part in the vote as they are trustees of the Centre.

14-15/261 MONTHLY FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) It was proposed by PW and seconded by PC that the March bank reconciliation and the March Petty Cash reconciliation is approved.

Noted

CARRIED

b) It was proposed by RR and seconded by PW that the Year End Bank Reconciliation is approved.

CARRIED

c) The Year End Budget Reports were noted.

d) It was proposed by PW and seconded by PC that the quotation for £288.67 for the tractor insurance renewal is approved. A cheque will be issued at this meeting.

CARRIED

e) To Pay Accounts

Clerk

Cheque	Payee	Item	Net	VAT	Total	Power
522820	Amey Cespa	CTP Contribution	£2,000	£0.00	£2,000	LG Misc Provisions Act 1976 s 19 (d)
522821	Staff	March Salaries	£2094.23	£0.00	£2094.23	LGA 1972 s112
522822						Local Authorities Cemetery Orders 1977 and 1986
522823						Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214
522824	SJD Sports	Cricket Fencing Deposit	£1002.25	£200.45	£1,202.70	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214
522825	HMRC	Tax & NI	£379.95	£0.00	£379.95	LGA 1972 s112
522826	Dunstall Charity Account	½ Allotment Rents	£623.55	£0.00	£623.55	
522827	Veolia	Hire Easi-Bin	£160.44	£32.09	£192.53	Local Authorities Cemetery Orders 1977 And 1986
522828	Pecks	Ride-on-Mower Service	£252.92	£50.58	£303.50	Local Authorities Cemetery Orders 1977 and 1986

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522829	Pecks	Mower Service	£85.72	£17.14	£102.86	Local Authorities Cemetery Orders 1977 and 1986
522830	Balfour Beatty	Street Lighting	£22.13	£4.43	£26.56	
522831	Ben Burgess	Salt	£19.98	£4.00	£23.98	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214
522832	Cambridgeshire County Council	Three Tree Allotment Rent	£285	£0.00	£285.00	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214
522833	Rialtas	Software Support	£338.00	£67.60	£405.60	LG Finance Act 1992 s50
522834	Sentinel	Lightning Protection Inspection	£216.00	£43.20	£259.20	LG Misc Provisions Act 1976 s 19 (d)
522835	SLCC	Membership Fees	£167	£0.00	£167	LG Finance Act 1992 s50
522836	Cash	Petty Cash	£88.59	£0.00	£88.59	LG Finance Act 1992 s50
DDR	BT	Internet	£59.00	£11.80	£70.80	Telecommunications Act 1984, s97
DDR	Public Works Loan Board	Loan Repayment	£3,040.20	£0.00	£3,040.20	LG Finance Act 1992 s50
522837	Veolia	Hire Easi-bin	£177.63	£35.53	£213.16	Local Authorities Cemetery Orders 1977 and 1986
522838	Eon	Street Lighting	£22.50	£1.13	£23.63	
522839	Barcham Trees	Trees for Priory Green	£203	£40.60	£243.60	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214
522840	NFU	Tractor Insurance	£288.67	£0.00	£288.67	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9 & 10 LGA 1972 s214
522841	CBS	Archive Storage	£26.00	£5.20	£31.20	LG Finance Act 1992 s50

It was proposed by RR and seconded by PC that the April Accounts are approved and paid including the additional accounts to Veolia, Eon, Barcham Trees and CBS.

CARRIED

The cheques were signed by Cllr Chaplin and Cllr Radcliffe.

14-15/262 DIAL-A-RIDE

HT was under the impression that EFACT (Dial-a-Ride) were going to offer the same service as the Ely Dial-a-Ride but this is not the case as you have to be a member to use it. To travel to Ely will cost £8 per person or £4 if you have a bus pass. If you wish to use the service you need to ring the day before you require it. The telephone number for the March Office is 01354 661234.

14-15/263 HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATH MATTERS

- a) The footpath from the bus shelter to the Griffin needs cleaning. Mr Wilding will be asked to clear it. Clerk
- A letter will be sent to Clarkes Farms asking them to re-instate footpath (6) from Little London to Knaves Acre Drove to a metre wide.
- b) Reply from Karen Champion re parish paths meeting. Noted
- c) A parishioner has reported that some trees are overhanging the path at the Waterside end of Coates Drove. JM/RR/PW will walk the footpath and report back to the Clerk/Council.

14-15/264 TO APPROVE ANNUAL RETURN

- a) It was proposed by RR and seconded by CP that the Annual Return for the year end March 2015 is approved and signed.

CARRIED

VBS arrived at 9.07pm

- b) It was proposed by RR and seconded by HT that the Annual Governance Statement is approved and signed.

CARRIED

14-15/265 CORRESPONDENCE/MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- a) Weekly Highlights sent to Councillors by email. Noted
b) CAPALC Bulletin Noted

14-15/266 ALLOTMENT MATTERS

- a) An email has been received from one of the allotment holders reporting damage on his allotment. PC will investigate the matter further and a reply will be sent to the tenant. Clerk

14-15/267 ORCHARD MATTERS

None

14-15/268 WASH MATTERS

None

14-15/269 PLANNING MATTERS

a) **Planning Applications**

15/00121/FUL Conversion of domestic garage first floor and ground floor store, to self contained annex (retrospective) at 4 Priory Gardens for Mr David Fitchett (Noted)

15/00248/OUT Outline Planning Application for the erection of 2 dwellings at Site to North East of 1 Ellwoods Close, Isleham for Mr Ellwood – no objection

15/00260/FUL Construction of despatch building for root vegetables at White Hall Farm, Temple Road, Isleham for Tompsett Holdings Ltd – no objection

15/00214/FUL Enlarge approved application under 14/01344/FUL at 10 Little London, Isleham for Mr & Mrs Flynn – no objection

15/00215/LBC Enlarge approved application under 14/01344/FUL at 10 Little London, Isleham for Mr & Mrs Flynn – no objection

15/00202/FUL River moorings (10 residential, 10 leisure) and ancillary works including storage units, car parking and landscaping at River View, 26 Prickwillow Road, Isleham – RR requested that DB call this application in at ECDC. The Council object on the grounds that the survey is incorrect – in particular there are kingfishers/marsh harriers and there are otters in the river. The Council therefore question the credibility of the other surveys. Very rural area – large development encroaching on open country side. Don't know what waste or environmental facilities. Ecologically and environmentally un-sustainable. (several of the councillors are familiar with this area of the river). The Council will ask Mr Alistair Burn if he would be prepared to do a survey of wildlife in the area.

15/00325/FUL New garage adjacent to dwelling at land to rear of 18 Little London, Isleham for Mr & Mrs Drayton – no objection.

b) **Planning Approvals**

14/01383/LBC Internal Alterations The Griffin, 11 Church Street, Isleham for Mr & Mrs Missing

15/00117/FUL Single storey rear extension at 2 Croft Road, Isleham for Mr Clint Grove

15/00142/FUL Single storey extension to rear and covering garage to form annex 48 East Fen Road, Isleham for Mr & Mrs S Petts

14/01244/FUL Single storey side extension to replace existing conservatory, alterations to main roof and external insulation at 6 The pits for Mr Acheson

c) **Other Planning Matters**

15/00046/TRE& Trees/Isleham/CA Tree Work Approval at 22 The Pits

14-15/270 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

The Chairman thanked Mrs Hazel Thompson for her commitment and hard work for the Council.

The Chairman thanked and congratulated Mr Neal for his commitment and work for the parish council over the last 20 years and his Personal thanks for help and advice on procedures.

He extended his best wishes to them both for the future.

Cllr Neal thanked the Chairman for his work on the council especially over the last year.

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DB reminded Councillors to notify the Clerk of any business and payments at least 7 days before the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.47pm

- 1. LGA 1972 s85
- 2. Dec of Interest Parish Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2012
- 3. Minutes LGA 1972 Sch 12, para 41(2)

Signed:

Chairman

Date:

