

**LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
held on Monday 12 April 2010 at 7.30 p.m.  
in Landbeach Village Hall**

Present: Mrs Melanie Hale, (Chair), Ms Helen Boysen, Dr Ray Gambell, Mr Gerald Hinkins, Mr Alan Wyatt, Mrs Tracy Hutchison, Mr Brian Marshall, Mrs Maria Sylvester (Clerk), and Mr Michael Williamson (County Councillor).

**Public Participation**

- 1 **Apologies for Absence** were received from Mr Trevor Dell, and Mr Peter Johnson (District Councillor).
- 2 **Minutes of the last Meeting** held on 1 March 2010 were agreed.
- 3 **Declaration of Interest** There were no declarations of interest.
- 4 **Matters Arising**

**Play Area for Older Children** - There was nothing further to report.

**Security Camera** - A letter has been received from Dent Security Systems Ltd saying that they are not prepared to waive the fee of £76.38 for checking 'No Signal' fault. This was discussed and it was agreed to pay it on this occasion as further upgrading would need to be done on the security camera in due course.

**Cycle/Pedestrian Path** - It is still hoped that there will be a possibility of getting a cycle/pedestrian path from Landbeach to Milton as two have just been started in the surrounding area.

**Banworth Lane** - There was nothing further to report.

**Mobile Wardens** - There was nothing further to report.

**Litter Pick** - Applying for a grant for litter picking involves a lot of administration and it was decided that it was not worth spending the time for such a small amount. It was agreed to purchase open hoops and organise a litter pick for either 15 or 22 May after asking for volunteers at APM.

**Mobile Library** - It was reported that the take-up for the mobile library had gone down due to the changed schedule of visits. One of the Mothers wanted to get a petition together with a group of Mums who miss the service.

**Action Plan** - This went out with the Parish Magazine and will be discussed and updated at APM on 29 April 2010.

## 5 Clerk/Chairman's Report

**APM 29 April 2010** - The draft Agenda and information on A3 paper was tabled and it was agreed to use this format again.

**New Councillors** - Three of the existing Parish Councillors will be leaving after May elections, one has resigned and two have moved away from the village. It was agreed to put an advert for new Councillors in the Parish Magazine and on the website.

**2010 Elections** - 6 May 2010 has been confirmed for General and District Elections.

**Cambridge Police** - Change to Histon Police Station - Opening times now 8 a.m.- 4 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. 12-8 p.m., Wednesday and the office is closed Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holidays. Call 0345 456 4 or in an emergency dial 999.

**CPALC - Future Jobs Fund** - The fund is primarily aimed at 18-24 year olds who have been out of work for more than 6 months. Applications must be made through Jobcentre Plus.

**CCC - Consultation on Cambridgeshire's Third Local Transport Plan** - There was a questionnaire to complete on this but the deadline had been missed.

**Cambridgeshire Acre** - A membership renewal reminder had been received and it was agreed not to renew the membership this year.

**SCDC - South Cambridgeshire Community Chest** - Mr Hinkins agreed to take this to the Village Hall to see if they would be eligible to apply for a grant.

**SCDC - Questionnaire for Parish Councils** - It was agreed that the Clerk would complete this questionnaire from the Standards Committee.

**CPALC Membership** - This was discussed and it was agreed to renew the membership, the cost is £234.32.

**Insurance** - It was agreed that the Clerk would obtain quotations for renewal of the insurance cover and the Recreation Ground would become a Public Liability after the purchase by the Parish Council in 2009.

## 6 Worts Meadow - Open Evening 2 July 2010.

Mr Wyatt asked about the possibility of planting an Elm Tree (resistant to Dutch Elm disease) to mark the occasion. This to be investigated further. The cost is around £85. The Landbeach Society would be favourable to contributing to this, but wanted more information.

**7 Affordable Housing Walnut Farm** - Icen Homes and Hill Residential are waiting for Stephen Conrad to approve plans before submitting application to SCDC. Hill Residential are meeting with him this week.

## **8 Correspondence**

The following correspondence was put into circulation:

SLCC - The Clerk March 2010 Vol 42, No 2

Cambridgeshire Acre - Community Action Spring 2010

Glasdon - Products for Local Councils

Cambridgeshire Community Services - Keeping In Touch Issue 4

## **9 Finance**

The following cheques were approved for payment

Cheque No	Name	Amount	VAT	Total
621	Neville Diver-Maintenance March 2010	£80.00		£80.00
622	Maria Sylvester - March 2010 salary	£586.58		£586.58
622	Maria Sylvester - reimbursement for Internet March 2010	£7.00	£1.04	£7.00
623	Landbeach Village Hall-contribution to cost of car park light and security camera	£40.00		£40.00
624	CCC - Annual play area inspection	£141.00	£21.00	£141.00
625	Inland Revenue - PAYE March 2010	£146.40		£146.40

Draft Income and Expenditure report up to 31 March 2010 tabled. There were no comments on this.

Mr Wyatt reported that the Lynn Landbeach Trust had agreed to donate £5,000 to the Parish Council to support funding towards the proposed Parish Room. They had also agreed to donate £10,000 to be given and held by the Parish Council and restricted to be used by the Parish Council for funding Projects for the Youth of Landbeach only.

Dr Gambell proposed donating £250 to the WAY project, this was seconded by Mrs Hutchison.

## **10 Planning**

### **Amendment**

S/1710/09/RM - Provision of access to plot 6100, IQ Cambridge, Beach Drive, Landbeach, Cambridge Research Park Ltd

### **New Applications**

S/0125/10/F - Vehicular access bridge, Land to the West of Green End, Landbeach, James Matthews.

S/0358/10F - Replacement bungalow, 97 Waterbeach Road, Landbeach, D Attle

S/1713/09/RM - Approval of Reserved matters, Plot 5200, IQ Cambridge, Beach Drive, Landbeach, Cambridge Research Park Ltd.

**Tree Work**

C/11/40/058 - 72 High Street, Landbeach, Ash tree reduction due to disease  
**Deemed Consent**

**11 Councillors Reports**

Mr Williamson reported on the following:

There is a Histon Panel meeting on Tuesday 13 April 2010.

Mobile Libraries will be making less frequent stops.

WILL and WAY are very different issues.

Mr Wyatt reported that Waterbeach Barracks might be happy to help with the installation of a zip wire similar to the one erected at Cottenham. Mrs Hutchison agreed to contact them

Mr Hinkins reported on the following:

The Warden at Milton Country Park is going to be made redundant.

There have been meetings between Parish Council and Recreation Management Committee in relation to erecting a new football pitch.

There has also been some interest shown by Cambridge City in the land near Stanton Farm. It would not be desirable for Cambridge City to have a football pitch on Landbeach Road.

Peter Johnson submitted a written report outlining the following:

Housing staff have been given training to raise the awareness of gas safety which they will then make tenants aware of and ensure tenants are told that gas equipment will be getting checked on an annual basis. CORGI will then do an audit of existing procedures to ensure that the council has a robust approach to gas safety in place.

SCDC have set a budget increase of Council Tax of 2.995%.

The Conservation and Design Manager have approved a grant for the sum of £100 for the pollarding of two ancient willows at Causeway End Farmhouse, Chittering. This grant is provided by the Wildlife Enhancement Scheme.

Ms Boysen asked about the Church wall. Dr Gambell said that it was too expensive to repair, the cost in the region of £8-10K. Planning permission has been obtained, but there are no funds available.

Dr Gambell reported the following:

He had attended the War Memorial Conference which had proved to be very useful. They had confirmed that all the right things had been carried out to conserve the memorial and lettering of it.

There is a tree hanging over the hedge at the end of the Recreation Ground.

Clerk to get Truelink to look at it.

Parishioners have been complaining about dog fouling by the letter box.

It was agreed to put a notice in the Parish Magazine asking people to pick their dog foul up.

Parishioners are concerned about recent developments at the Enterprise Nurseries site. SCDC has obtained an injunction to stop travellers settling there.

Mrs Hale to contact Milton Parish Council Chairman for more information.

More volunteers are needed for Speedwatch. It was agreed to raise this at the APM on 29 April. Equipment is going to Fen Drayton next.

Mr Hinkins reported that the bus shelter needed new glass and also there is a pane missing from the telephone kiosk. It was agreed that Mr Hinkins would obtain a quotation to replace the glass.

The light near the car park is on all day. Clerk to report.

Mr Marshall thanked the Parish Council for their support, and said that he was sorry to leave the Council because of moving away from the village.

**12 Dates of forthcoming meetings**

29 April APM (Annual Parish Meeting)

17 May 2010 AGM (Annual General Meeting)

7 June 2010

5 July 2010

The meeting closed at 9.43 p.m.

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