

LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on Monday 2 July 2012 at 7.30 p.m.
in Landbeach Village Hall**

Present: Mrs Melanie Hale (Chair), Mr Trevor Dell, Mr John Halfpenny, Dr Ray Gambell, Mr Dave Grant, Mrs Tracy Hutchison, Dr Stephen Montgomery, Mr Andrew Stevens, Mrs Maria Sylvester (Clerk), Mr Michael Williamson (County Councillor), Mr Peter Johnson (District Councillor).

Public Participation: Lee Bevins Architects in relation to Item 12 Planning on behalf of Mr Hinkins who could not attend the meeting.

1 Apologies for Absence were received from Mr Gerald Hinkins and Mr James Hockney (District Councillor).

2 Minutes of the last Meeting held on 11 June 2012 were approved.

3 Declaration of Interest There were no declarations of interest.

4 Matters Arising

New Parish Councillor - Mr Montgomery signed Acceptance of Office.

CPALC District Committee - There was nothing to report.

Worts Meadow - The next meeting of the FOWM is on 12 July 2012.

Neighbourhood Watch - There was nothing further to report.

Speedwatch - There was nothing further to report as no volunteers had come forward.

Waterbeach Barracks – Mr Williamson reported that SCDC is about to go out to consultation on the Issues and Options for the new Local Plan. It is vital that Parish Councils and individuals respond to this consultation. Three alternatives had been identified for Waterbeach and there will be exhibitions in Waterbeach showing the proposals.

Move to cut A10 speed - It was reported that the consultation is ongoing.

SCDC - Sustainable Parish Energy Partnership – It was reported that there is a DECC initiative for a green deal for community areas. Mr Halfpenny agreed to follow this up. There is a list of approved measures for insulation being published.

Dog Bin – It was reported that two dog bins have been installed by SCDC.

Planning for the future – It was reported that the new Local Plan would be available from 12 July 2012.

Additional cameras around the Village Hall - Mr Hinkins had confirmed that he will contact Dent Security to arrange a meeting at the Village Hall to get advice on the type of cameras required along with costings.

Footpath from car park to multi-sports area – Mr Hinkins had confirmed that he is still waiting for a break in the weather so that a contractor can view the tarmac path leading up to the multi sports area, he will arrange this as soon as possible.

Helpline – resignation of Margaret Patterson - Dr Gambell reported that he had spoken to Margaret Patterson who would be happy to act as the central contact for the Helpline.

Landbeach Action Plan - There was nothing further to report.

Phone Box/Library – Mr Hinkins had confirmed that he will look into the cost of erecting shelving in the Phone Box.

Affordable Housing – It was reported that confirmation that been received from Mark Deas, Cambridgeshire Acre who had produced a draft of their case study on Walnut Close. The purpose of the case study is to have something to share with Parish Councils when trying to engage them in developing rural exception sites for affordable housing. There was nothing further to report.

Public Transport/Buses – Mrs Hale agreed to contact Carriageways to see if there was any possibility of running a bus to and from Ely on a Thursday.

Hedge Fencing – Green End – It was reported that this work had not been carried out yet.

Banworth Lane - It was reported that Mrs Hale and Mr Johnson had visited the site in relation to a letter received from residents in Banworth Lane concerning height of boundary hedge, potholes and parking/road safety issues. It was also agreed to inform Highways of the problem and also write to Mr York outlining the concerns raised.

5 Clerk/Chairman's Report

Cambridgeshire Acre – It was agreed to renew the membership of Cambridgeshire Acre, the cost is £30.

Dent Security – It was reported that the annual maintenance check is due and the cost is £100.80.

Annual Return – It was reported that Moore Stephens (External Auditor) had requested further information in relation to the high income and expenditure for year ending 31 March 2012.

CCC – Issues for a new transport strategy for Cambridge and South Cambridge – Public consultation document has now been published at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/tscs

Waterbeach Road Verges – Highways have reported that they have received a complaint about the verges. This was discussed and it was agreed to ask Truelink to include these in their maintenance contract as they were the responsibility of the parish.

Cambridgeshire Countryside Watch membership – It was agreed to defer this until the next meeting and check with farmers if it useful.

SCDC – Changes to legal requirements declaring Register of Interests came into operation on 1 July 2012. All Councillors have to sign a form and they have to be returned to the Monitoring Officer at SCDC by 28 July 2012.

6 Cycle Path – There was nothing to report.

7 Public Art in Landbeach - It was reported that the next meeting of the Art Group is on 10 July 2012 when the Artist will give an update. The next step will be installation of the gabions and preparation for installation of the anvil-map.

8 Other Village Improvements

Outside tap – Mr Hinkins had reported that that he had contacted a plumber who will give a price for this.

Bark chippings – it was agreed to replace the bark chippings under the metal climbing frame.

9 ‘What’s On’ Newsletter

The June edition will advertise the following:

Volunteers for Speedwatch.

Helpline volunteers

Housing needs

10 Correspondence

The following correspondence was put into circulation:

Magpas - update

11 Finance

The following cheques were approved for payment

| Cheque | Name | Amount | VAT | Total |
|---------------|--|---------------|------------|--------------|
| 814 | Maria Sylvester - Clerk's salary June 2012 | £321.99 | | £321.99 |
| 814 | Maria Sylvester - reimbursement for internet June 2012 | £7.00 | £1.04 | £7.00 |
| 815 | Inland Revenue - PAYE June 2012 | £80.49 | | £80.49 |
| 816 | Neville Diver – Maintenance June 2012 | £64.00 | | £64.00 |
| 817 | Robert Armstrong - Churchyard maintenance June 2012 | £286.00 | | £286.00 |
| 818 | Cottenham Village College – Mini-bus hire May 2012 | £78.12 | | £78.12 |
| 819 | Truelink Ltd – Grass cutting and verges May 2012 | £625.08 | | £625.08 |
| 820 | EON – Electric for bus shelter | £13.72 | | £13.72 |

Income

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| CCC Dog bin installation | £180.00 |
| Cheque from CBS to repay PWLB loan | £35,283.50 |

Budget Control Statement up to end of June 2012 was tabled and accepted.

12 Planning

New Application

S/1332/12/FL – Part single, part two storey extensions and new porch, 69 High Street, Mr and Mrs Hinkins. **This was deferred to a Planning Meeting.**

S/1208/12/VC -Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) of Planning Consent S/0329/11 to use additional land for additional shooting area with car park, footpath and disabled toilet and revised bunding. **Approved**

Approved

S/0519/12/LB – Replacement of existing staircase up to bedroom 3, Jasmine Cottage, Green End, Paul Alexander.

Withdrawn

S/0581/12/FL – Front and side extensions, Farm View, 146 High Street.

13 Councillors Reports

Mr Williamson's full report is held by Clerk and was forwarded to all Councillors.

14 Forthcoming meetings

3 September 2012

1 October 2012

The meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.

Signed:

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