

## LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of Landbeach Parish Council meeting held on 1 September 2014 at 7.30 p.m. in The Village Hall

Present: Mrs Melanie Hale (Chair), Dr Ray Gambell, Ms Nicola Boak, Mr Dave Grant, Mr John Halfpenny, Mr Gerald Hinkins, Mrs Tracy Hutchison, Mr Andrew Stevens, Mrs Maria Sylvester (Clerk) Mr Peter Johnson (District Councillor) and Mr Maurice Leeke (County Councillor).

Public Participation: There was no public participation.

#### 1 Apologies for Absence

2 **Minutes of the last Meeting** held on 7 July 2014 and Planning Meeting dated 12 August 2014 were approved.

3 **Declaration of Interest** There was no Declaration of Interest.

#### 4 Matters Arising

**New Councillor** – It was reported that no one had come forward for the vacancy. It was agreed to advertise again.

**Worts Meadow** - It was reported that several successful events had taken place.

**Neighbourhood Watch** - Mr Stevens reported there had been a burglary on the High Street There has also been suspected drug trafficking in the car park. Police have been informed. It was agreed to put this in 'What's On' to make people aware of being vigilant.

**Footpath from car park to multi-sports area** - There was nothing to report.

**Affordable Housing** – It was reported that the field at the back of Walnut Close had been surveyed. Mrs Hale agreed to speak to Stephen Conrad in relation to this and also about the possibility of land being available for more village housing.

**Tithe Barn** – Dr Gambell reported that the Landbeach Society had surrendered the lease of the Tithe Barn. The draft of the report of the seminar is up for review. Councillor Hockney is setting up a Trust and Friends Group to support the Tithe Barn.

**Cycle Path** – This is on ongoing.

**Finger Board** – It was agreed to get another quotation for repairing the Finger Board.

**Spaldings Lane** – It was reported that water is leaking on to Spaldings Lane (coming up from below the road) and will cause pot holes to reappear. Mr Leeke agreed to contact Highways in relation to this.

**Equipment Shed** – There was nothing to report.

**Phone Box** – There was nothing to report.

**Parish Notice Board** – It was agreed to get quotations for a new notice board.

**Worts Farm Future Development** – There was nothing to report.

**Litter Bin on Recreation Ground** – It was reported that this had been ordered.

**Fitness Equipment** – There was nothing to report.

**FECA** – There was nothing to report.

**Overgrown bushes on High Street** – It was reported that these had been cut back but the sign was still obstructed on the High Street.

**Frith Drove, Green End** – It was reported that the Enforcement Officer, SCDC is going to investigate why the extra caravans are on this site.

At this point the Chairman left the meeting and Dr Gambell took the Chair.

## 5 Clerk/Chairman's Report

**Play Equipment Annual Inspection** – This will be carried out by the Play Inspection Company.

**SCDC – Payment of Open Space and Community Facilities Contribution, 54 High Street** – An Indemnity for Execution had been received from SCDC for £3,617.42 for the development at 54 High Street. This was signed by Mrs Hale and Mr Hinkins on behalf of the Parish Council.

**CCC – Countryside Surface Water Management Plan** – CCC have commissioned Hyder Consulting to undertake an update of the Surface Water Management (SWMP) for the county. It was agreed to inform them about the flooding in Cockfen Lane.

**SLCC Annual General Meeting** – This will take place on Friday 10 October 2014.

**Cycle Path Landbeach to Cottenham** – Dr Gambell's suggestions for four possible routes were discussed and it was agreed that the Landbeach-Cottenham route should be the main priority. The Chairman would contact the Cottenham Parish Council Chairman to see if they would be interested in supporting this venture.

**CCC – New Broadband cabinets** - CCC have confirmed that the new fibre optic broadband cabinets have gone live in the area.

**Trees on Recreation Ground** – It was reported that Truelink Ltd have quoted £600 plus VAT for repollarding poplar trees in Play Area. It was agreed to get two other quotes.

It was also agreed to replace the Crab Apple tree which had died.

**SCDC – Update on changes to Waste and Recycling Services** – SCDC have confirmed that the new collection rounds will be introduced from 1 September 2014. All the information will be in the South Cambridgeshire Magazine.

- 6 Local Planning/Strategic Planning** – There was nothing to report.
- 7 Public Art in Landbeach** – Ongoing, no date for installation yet.
- 8 ‘What’s On’ Newsletter** - It was agreed to put the following in September 2014 ‘What’s On’:  
Neighbourhood Watch 101 Or 999 if anything suspicious  
Affordable Housing  
NHS Emergency No 111  
New Parish Councillor  
Cycle Path Landbeach to Cottenham
- 9 Correspondence** – The following correspondence was put into circulation:  
Glasdon – Special offers for Local Councils.

## **10 Finance**

The following cheques were approved for payment:

987	Maria Sylvester - Clerk’s salary July 2014	£460.04
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987	Maria Sylester - Reimbursement for internet July/August	£14.00
987	Maria Sylvester – Reimbursement for ink cartridge	£11.00
988	Inland Revenue – PAYE July 2014	£115.00
988	Inland Revenue – PAYE August 2014	£115.00
989	Neville Diver – Maintenance July 2014	£64.00
989	Neville Diver – Maintenance August 2014	£64.00
990	Cottenham Village College – Minibus hire July 2014	£68.64
991	Truelink Ltd – Grass cutting March 2014	£172.68
991	Truelink Ltd – Grass cutting July 2014	£616.02
992	Robert Armstrong – Churchyard maintenance	£274.50

## **11 Planning Applications**

### **New Applications**

S/1883/14/NM – Non-Material amendment to Application s/2423/13/RM to allow the addition of 2 double doors to Building Z1, the reduction in the decked area to Building Z1 and amendments to the proposed cladding fenestration for Buildings Z1 and Z2, Cambridge Research Park, Beach Drive, Cambridge Research Park Ltd. **Approved**

S/1924/14/FL – Provision of temporary additional accommodation, Amey Offices, Ely Road, Waterbeach, Alboro Developments Ltd.

**Approved**

S/0463/14/CW – Variation of conditions to allow night time operations, AmeyCespa (East) Ltd, Ely Road, Waterbeach.

S/2750/13LB – Conversion of former archaeology store to create two dwellings with the use of the former granary as ancillary residential use, Worts Farm, CCC.

S/1062/14/FL – Installation of cable routing trench switch and house, Stowbridge Farm, Green End, Stretham and land adjacent to Cambridge Research Park, Beach Drive, Landbeach, Fenland Renewables Ltd.

**12 Councillors Reports**

Mr Leeke reported the following:

Applications for minor road improvements need to be in by...

He will look at Spaldings Lane leak and contact Highways.

The signage on footpath for the Village Walk is not clear.

Mr Halfpenny reported that the next meeting in relation to Waterbeach Barracks will be on 11 September 2014. Representatives will be called and Mr Halfpenny will represent Landbeach and Councillor Johnson will represent Waterbeach. Councillor Leake will also attend this.

Mr Halfpenny said that he did not think that an application for the kerb to be lowered at the Slap-up junction would be approved second time round as not many cyclists cross there.

Mr Hinkins reported the following:

The grass had been left on the patio when the bunds were cut making it dangerous.

Clerk to contact Truelink.

The bark in the Pocket Park needs to be replaced before the winter. Dr Gambell to speak to Robert Humphries.

A complaint had been received from Milton Colts that the grass was left in large clumps after being cut and the lines marking out the pitch could not be seen. Clerk to contact Truelink.

Mr Grant reported the following:

The Village Hall Management Committee have asked the Parish Council to get the security camera repaired as one camera is not working. Clerk to contact Dent Security as maintenance is due.

The electricity bill for the camera has not been paid. Village Hall to send an invoice and this will be paid.

**13 Forthcoming meetings**

6 October 2014  
3 November 2014  
1 December 2014

The meeting closed at 8.59 p.m.

Signed:

Date: