

LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Landbeach Parish Council meeting held on 11 May 2015 at 7.30 p.m. in The Church

Present: Mrs Melanie Hale (Chair), Dr Ray Gambell, Ms Nicola Boak, Mr Dave Grant, Mr Gerald Hinkins, Mr Andrew Stevens, Mrs Maria Sylvester (Clerk),

Public Participation: There was no public participation.

1 Apologies for Absence were received from Mrs Tracy Hutchison, Mr Peter Johnson (District Councillor) and Mr Maurice Leeke (County Councillor).

2 Minutes of the last Meeting held on 13 April 2015 were approved.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest.

4 Matters Arising

New Councillor – It was agreed to continue advertising in ‘What’s On’.

Worts Meadow – It was reported that the AGM is taking place on Thursday 14 May 2015.

Neighbourhood Watch - Mr Stevens reported that a white van has been parked opposite the bus stop for 12 days. The PCSO has been made aware of this and it has been reported as an abandoned vehicle.

In Oakington a barn was broken into and a lot of horse equipment had been stolen.

Footpath from car park to multi-sports area - It was reported that Paul Ferguson will carry out this work. It was agreed to ask him to cut back the grass and the footpath could be repaired when the Sports area is repaired next year.

Affordable Housing – It was reported that there had not been much response from the flyer delivered with ‘What’s On’ or given out at the APM.

It was agreed to ask SCDC if there is any data available from their housing list to show whether there is a demand for affordable housing in Landbeach.

Tithe Barn – Dr Gambell reported that things are progressing in relation to the Tithe Barn.

Concern was raised about the financial viability of the Trust to carry out the additional work needed to make it work, e.g. access and services.

Finger Board – Mr Hinkins reported that he had not received a quote from his carpenter. It was agreed to ask another carpenter to quote.

Spaldings Lane – Mrs Hale to contact Nicola Burdon, Local Highway Officer.

Phone Box – Mr Hinkins and Mr Diver had looked at replacing the glass and think this will be possible. The phone box could then be painted.

Frith Fen Drove – SCDC has confirmed there is nothing further to report at present.

Cycle Path Landbeach to Cottenham – There was nothing to report.

Enterprise Nursery – A parishioner had forwarded a formal complaint sent to SCDC in relation to Enterprise Nursery. It was agreed that the Parish Council should acknowledge this saying they supported it.

Cottenham Road gritting – There was nothing to report.

Akeman Street potholes – A complaint had been received from a Parishioner in relation to the state of Akeman Street. It was agreed to forward this to Highways.

Defibrillator – It was reported that a quotation for £85 had been received from Lumos Electrical Contractor to install the Defibrillator. This was accepted.

APM 30 April 2015 – It was reported 19 people had attended the APM.

Litter Pick – It was agreed to carry out a litter pick on Friday 5 June 2015 at 6.30 p.m. This will be advertised in ‘What’s On’.

Refresher First Aid Course – It was agreed that Sarah Ayres would carry out a Refresher First Aid Course when the Defibrillator is installed.

Mr Hinkins raised concern about getting the nucleus of the village to attend the course.

Public Art Celebration – It was thought that it might be appropriate to celebrate the public artworks when we celebrate the 80th anniversary of the village hall next year.

5 Clerk/Chairman’s Report

Banworth Lane – An email had been received from a Parishioner in relation to the condition of Banworth Lane. This was discussed and it was agreed that as the houses belong to SCDC, the complaint should be passed to them.

Village Guide – It was reported that a request had been received from the WI to reinstate the Village Guide. Mr Hockney has agreed to do the Guide this year.

Traffic lights turning out of Landbeach on to A10 – It was reported that an email had been received from a Parishioner asking about the possibility of traffic lights being instilled at the turning out of Landbeach onto the A10 near the cemetery or the Bollywood Indian Restaurant. This had been considered before and Highways would not do the work as they said there were already too many lights in that area.

Sir Graham Brights Public Surgery Schedule – It was reported that Sir Graham holds monthly surgeries across the county which the public can attend and speak with the commissioner face to face about issues that concern them.

Milton School Bus – There is a proposal to stop this as they are saying it is no longer needed because of a new cycle and walking route between the villages. Free transport to be withdrawn from 1 September subject to appeal hearings on 30 June.

Relate – Request for funding – It was agreed that Landbeach could not donate any funding as it is a small Council and has no available funds.

Fen Edge – It was reported that the Fen Edge AGM is on Thursday 14 May 2015.

UK Power Networks – Inventory of unmetered supplies – It was confirmed that the inventory they hold for the Bus Shelter is correct.

SLCC – Parish and Town Council Sector – SLCC reported on a meeting with DCLG championing the Parish and Town Council sector. This will be held by the Clerk.

Crossing over to The Church – Parishioners have complained about the danger of crossing the road to The Church. This was discussed and it was agreed that there was no practical solution to this.

Road markings between Landbeach and Milton – A parishioner had complained about the road marks. This had been forward to Highways who confirmed they would look into the situation.

Crossroads, Cockfen Lane – A complaint had been received from a Parishioner that the view had been blocked coming out of Cockfen Lane. Councillors agreed that this was not the case.

Annual Return – This was signed by Chairman and RFO (Clerk) to be signed off by Internal Auditor on 20 May 2015.

- 6 **Local Planning/Strategic Planning** – It was reported that this had been delayed again and there was nothing to report.
- 7 **‘What’s On’ Newsletter** - It was agreed to put the following in March 2015
‘What’s On’: Defibrillator, New Councillor, Litter Pick, ECOPs suggestion to put wheelie bins away and close windows in warm weather.
- 9 **Correspondence** – The following correspondence was put into circulation:
U3A – Self-helping organisation
Fields in Trust – Report 2014
Came and Co – Spring Council matters 2015
Hugo Fox – A Guide to your Website and listings
SLCC – The Clerk, May 2015
Clerks and Councils Direct – May 2015

The following cheques were approved for payment:

1043	Maria Sylvester - Clerk's salary April 2015	£549.62
1043	Maria Sylvester - Reimbursement for internet April 2015	£7.00
1044	Maria Sylvester – Reimbursement for APM papers	£28.00
1045	Inland Revenue – PAYE April 2015	£149.40
1046	Neville Diver – Caretaking April 2015	£72.00
1047	CVC – Minibus hire March/April 2015	£154.44
1048	Dents Security – New camera	£203.52
1049	Cambridge Countryside Watch	£40.00
1050	EON – Electricity for Bus Shelter	£13.72
1051	Fen Edge - Subscription	£15.00
1052	Barbara Le Gallez – Reimbursement for Affordable Housing form for APM	£9.90
1053	Magpas – Subscription	£20.00
1054	CAPALC – Annual Fee 15/16 Fee	£267.88

Income

SCDC – Half Yearly Precept	£10,000.00
HM Revenue and Customs, VAT reclaim 2014/15	£948.57

11 Planning

New Application

S/0892/15/LD – Erection of a single dwelling house, Managers Accommodation, Enterprise Nursery, Ely Road, Mark Dwyer. **Refused**

S/1013/15/FL – Extension to Local Authority Depot to provide additional secure vehicle parking area and open storage and extension to existing office/welfare building, Cambridge Waste Management Park, Ely Road, Waterbeach, Alboro Development Ltd. **No Objections**

S/0702/15/FL – First Floor side extension, 56 High Street, Mr and Mrs Barry. **No Objections**

S/1050/15/FL – Erection of dwelling following demolition of bungalow, 55 High Street, Mr Hunt. **Approved**

Amendment

Application to modify Condition 3(a) and (b) of Section 106, Agreement Ref A468 for Planning Consent S/1010/96/F from 30 Companions to 50, Emmaus Cambridge, Green End, Mrs Docherty. **No Objections**

Approved

S/2190/14/FL – Change of use of outbuilding to form a residential dwelling together with fenestration changes, 104 High Street, Rosemary Garner.

S/0605/15/FL – Two storey extension to side and rear of the existing dwelling garage conversion and sunroom to garden, 72 High Street, Miss Shah.

For Information

Letter and from Paul Belton, Carter Jonas in relation to 55 High Street.

12 Councillors Reports

Mr Grant reported that the fence is broken in the children's play area.

Mr Hinkins reported the following:

The Village Pump needs painting.

It would be good to make the website more effective for the village and get more people involved. Jeff Bronks who does the website will be invited to the next meeting.

Ms Boak said she would be happy to set up a Facebook page.

Mr Grant said on the bend near Worts Farm, the light is blocked by overgrown trees. Mrs Hale to look at this.

Dr Gambell reported that there is a proposal to move Waterbeach Post Office to the Village Store. There is a public consultation from 19 March to 21 May 2015.

13 Forthcoming meetings

1 June 2015

6 July 2015

7 September 2015

The meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.

Signed:

Date: