

## LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of Landbeach Parish Council meeting held on 11 January 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in The Village Hall

Present: Mrs Melanie Hale (Chair), Dr Ray Gambell, Mr Dave Grant, Mr Gerald Hinkins, Mr Maurice Leeke (County Councillor), and Mrs Maria Sylvester (Clerk).

**Public Participation:** Paul Geary reported on the condition at the rear of No 108 High Street and showed slides outlining the dangers. This will be discussed later in the meeting.

- 1 **Apologies for Absence** were received from Ms Nicola Boak, Mr John Halfpenny, Mrs Tracy Hutchison, Mr Andrew Stevens and Mr Peter Johnson (District Councillor).
- 2 **Minutes of the last Meeting** Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 7 December 2015 were approved.
- 3 **Declaration of Interest** Mr Grant declared an interest in Item 10, Tree Work, C/11/40/058 – 1 High Street, Mrs Woods.

#### 4 **Matters Arising**

**New Councillor** – There was nothing to report.

**Worts Meadow** – It was reported that there is a meeting on Thursday to discuss the 2016 programme.

**Neighbourhood Watch** - It was reported that there had been a burglary in the High Street in December.

**Footpath from car park to multi-sports area** – It was reported that this work has been carried out by Paul Ferguson. He has suggested to prevent further damage to the path and to keep the path clear, the edges of the path are strimmed once a month during the growing season and any weed growth sprayed. This was agreed.

**Affordable Housing** – There was nothing to report.

**Tithe Barn** – Dr Gambell reported that the Trustee group is active. There is a meeting on 11 December 2015.

**Spaldings Lane** – It was agreed that the road surface at the top end is very poor. Mr Hinkins reported that Dave Attle has agreed to look at the lower ditches which are running fine.

**Phone Box** – Mr Hinkins will replace the missing glass panels.

**Frith Fen Drove** – SCDC have reported the following: The LDC application has been forwarded to the Council but the lead planner for the area has voiced criticism on the application on the numbers of caravans associated with the site if passed. Negotiations are apparently continuing with the applicant's planning consultant and the planners to see if this can be resolved. The argument is technical/legal.

**Enterprise Nursery** – There was nothing to report.

**Akeman Street potholes** - It was reported that a heap of laurel has been dumped in Akeman Street.

**Litter Pick** – It was agreed that a litter pick will take place when the weather is better and verges have been cut.

**Refresher First Aid Course** – Mrs Hale will contact Sarah Eyres in relation to a Refresher First Aid Course which will include training to use the Defibrillator.

**Banworth Lane** – Mr Johnson has reported that Banworth Lane should have had the potholes filled in during late December but there were contractor problems. He has been told it will be done before Monday evening.

**Village Guide** - There was nothing to report.

**Trees Waterbeach Road** – It was reported that the trees are overhanging on the field side of Waterbeach Road and there is a dead tree on the farm side. Clerk to report this.

**Road markings A14 Roundabout, Milton** – Highways have confirmed these works will go ahead, unfortunately they do not have a set date for the commencement of the works, however it should be before the end of this financial year. They are currently trying to organise all the appropriate paperwork for the closures to be put into place.

**Website** – Jeff Bronks would like photos of the village to go on the home page.

**Lucy Frazer MP** - It was reported that Lucy Frazer will attend a Parish Council meeting in 2016.

**Cockfen Lane parking** – It was reported that the 'no parking' signs had been erected.

**Demolition work –rear of 108 High Street** – The complaint made by a Parishioner was discussed and it was agreed to forward the issues raised to SCDC with the Parish Council's endorsement.

**Speeding in the Village** - There was nothing to report.

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

**Dog Fouling** – It was reported that a request had been put in 'What's On' asking parishioners to pick up their dog foul and not take dogs on the Recreation Ground.

**Parking in High Street** – Mr Stevens had reported that inconsiderate parking in the High Street and cycling on the footpath is still causing concerns.

**Emmaus Trustee** - The suggestion of a Parish Councillor becoming a Trustee was discussed and it was felt that it was quite a commitment. Mrs Hale to discuss it further with Diane Docherty to clarify what is expected.

## 5 Clerk/Chairman's Report

**Precept 2016/17** – Budget to set Precept was tabled. It was agreed to increase the Precept by £1,000 for 2016/17.

**APM Date and Speaker** - It was suggested inviting Urban and Civic to the APM so that Parishioners could attend. It was agreed to ask Mr Halfpenny about this at the next meeting.

**Milton Road – Initial consultation on better bus cycling and walking trips** – There is a survey to be completed by 15 February at [www.gccitydeal.co.uk/milton-road](http://www.gccitydeal.co.uk/milton-road).

**Volunteer Driver** – The Beaches community car scheme is in need of additional drivers. At present there are no volunteer drivers from Landbeach to help support the Landbeach people needing lifts. This will be advertised in What's On.

**Nominations for Buckingham Palace Garden Party 19 May 2016** – It was decided not to nominate anyone for this.

## 6 Local Planning/Strategic Planning - It was reported and the Urban and Civic link was not working.

## 7 'What's On' Newsletter - It was agreed to put the following in January 2016 'What's On': First Aid Course, Affordable Housing, Speedwatch, Dog Fouling, Gritting Volunteer, Speeding in the Village, setting up a Parish Forum.

## 8 Correspondence – There was no correspondence.

## 9 Finance

The following cheques were agreed for payment

1099 Maria Sylvester - Clerk's salary December 2015	£549.62
1099 Maria Sylvester - Reimbursement for internet December 2015	£7.00
1100 Inland Revenue – PAYE December 2015	£189.40
1101 Neville Diver – Maintenance December 2015	£67.00
1101 Neville Diver – Reimbursement for light bulb	£7.00
1102 Cottenham Village College – November 2015	£66.00
1103 SLCC – Membership Renewal 2016	£118.00
1104 Truelink Ltd – Grass cutting November 2015	£54.54
1105 Paul Ferguson – Maintenance December 2015	£215.00

## 10 Planning

**New Applications**

S/3084/15/FL – Two Storey Extension to courtyard area, single storey front extension and additional car parking, Emmaus Cambridge, Green End, Mrs Docherty. **No Objections**

S/2970/15/FL – Plant room, 2 new areas of plant on roof of building compound, new structure to house gas cylinders/generator/clinical waste/stores, cage to house gas cylinders, Building 8100, Cambridge Research Park, Beach Drive, Mrs Butterworth. **No Objections**

S/2988/15/DC – Discharge of Conditions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 13 for Application  
S/2190/14/FL – 104 High Street, Ms Garner. **For information only.**

**Approved**

S/2533/15/FL – Proposed roof antennas, external air conditioning louvres and change existing solid door to roller shutter garage door to outbuilding, Building 9000, Cambridge Research Park, Waterbeach, Overbury PLC.

S/2517/15/AD – Display of signs, Building 9000, Cambridge Research Park, Overbury PLC.

**Tree Work**

C/11/40/058 – Tree work in Conservation Area, 1 High Street, Mrs Woods. **Approved**  
C/11/40/058 – Tree work in Conservation Area, 40 High Street, Mr Metcalfe.

**Approved****11 Councillors Reports**

Mr Leeke reported on the following:

The County Council cuts are having an impact on school patrols and this was being discussed tonight at Milton.

Authorities are able to increase the Council Tax by 2%. This would make an increase of 45p per week on a band D house.

Network Rail are not willing to sell their land to allow an additional car park to be built at Waterbeach. They may consider leasing it. The problem is providing a way into the car park that is not near the level crossing. The new station at Chesterton will be ready in early 2017.

Mr Hinkins reported the following:

It would be good to have a Parish Forum on line which people could look at and comment, especially if they saw anything suspicious in the village.

Are Parish Council doing anything for the Queen's Birthday on 21 April 2016?

Dr Gambell reported that the slats on the pump opposite The Church are broken.

Mr Stevens had reported that the lamp post is damaged outside The Limes near Walnut Close.

Mrs Hale reported there are chips to spread along the Village Walk. Clerk to contact County Farms.

**12 Date of Future Meetings**

1 February 2016

7 March 2016

4 April 2016

The meeting closed at 10.05 p.m.

Signed:

Date: