

LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Landbeach Parish Council meeting held on 6 June 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in The Village Hall

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

Public Participation: There was no public participation.

1 Apologies for Absence were received from Mr Andrew Stevens and Mr Peter Johnson (District Councillor)

2 Minutes of last Meeting – Minutes of meeting held on 9 May 2016 were approved.

3 Declaration of Interest There were no Declarations of Interest.

4 Matters Arising

Worts Meadow – It was reported that there had been a dawn chorus event in May.

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

Tithe Barn – It was reported that everyone was invited to a Drinks Reception at The Tithe Barn on 17 June 2016 at 7.30 p.m, but not many people had replied.

It was also reported that the brambles had been removed and the path widened.

Spaldings Lane – Mr Hinkins and Mr Halfpenny will arrange to meet Mr Attle to look at Spaldings Lane in relation to digging a test hole to ensure no water is laying under the surface otherwise it will soon crack again.

Frith End Drove, Green End – There was nothing to report.

Akeman Street potholes – This road needs resurfacing.

Village Guide – Dr Gambell reported that the Village Guide was almost ready to be printed. Dr Gambell was authorised to get it printed, the cost would be in the region of £150.

Trees Waterbeach Road – Mr Halfpenny will speak to Mr Attle in relation to the overgrown trees.

Road markings A14 Roundabout, Milton – It was reported that there had been another accident here and it was possible the reason was the road markings.

Website – Dr Gambell reported that he was encouraging organisations to put their details on the website. There is now a Google calendar on it.

Lucy Frazer MP - It was agreed that Lucy Frazer would probably not attract enough Parishioners to attend a meeting in Landbeach. This would be taken off the Agenda.

Demolition work –rear of 108 High Street – There was nothing to report.

Light above Defibrillator keypad – It was reported that the Village Hall did not want trunking on the outside wall. It was agreed to speak to the electrician about getting it wired up from inside.

Damaged lamp post – It was reported that the old lamp post in Spaldings Lane has not been removed. This has been reported to Highways.

Damaged slats opposite The Church – It was reported that the repair to the slats would be carried out in the late summer as there is a nest of blue tits there.

The Pound – It was reported that Paul Ferguson is in the process of repairing The Pound.

Waterbeach Station – Parking – There was nothing to report.

Village Hall 80th Anniversary Celebrations BBQ 16 July 2016 – The Village Hall are organising this event. The Parish Council had agreed to contribute a sum of £500 towards this event. Mrs Hale was authorised to purchase drink, (a maximum of 30 bottles) and plastic glasses for 150 people and whatever is left would be given to the Village Hall.

Caretaking – It was reported that Mr Diver has tendered his resignation. The Council offered a vote of thanks to him for all the hard work over the past six years. It was agreed to purchase a Scotsdale Voucher for £50 as a thank you gift. The Clerk was authorised to do this.

The job of caretaking was discussed and it was agreed that Steve Wynn would do this for now and if anyone in the village was interested, they would be considered.

Access A10 – It was reported that residents affected by the inconsiderate/dangerous parking think that the ‘No Parking’ signs have resulted in some improvement. However, some people still ignore them. They would like to pursue a TRO via the LHI bid process to put double yellow lines down. Councillor Tregoin noted this and will follow it up.

5 Clerk/Chairman's Report

MAGPAS – Raffle tickets to sell on behalf of MAPAS were given to Councillors.

The Local Government Boundary Commission – Electoral Review of Cambridge – New draft recommendations – These can be viewed at www.consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/4143. It was felt that it was not relevant to Landbeach.

Trees Banworth Lane – It was reported that trees are blocking light into Parishioners' homes in Banworth Lane. Councillor Tregoing agreed to look into this.

Play Area – Gates and repairs – The quote from E Lumley for £217 for repairing the handrail was accepted.

Mr Hinkins reported that there are several items which need cleaning or repairing, eg tarmac in the play area.

CCC – Highways Open Days – This information was passed to Councillors.

Register of Interest forms – These were tabled and updated to be forwarded to SCDC.

EON – It was reported that EON are increasing their deemed contract rates for the light in the bus shelter.

Request to use Recreation Ground for parking on 29 April 2017 – A request had been received from a Parishioner to park cars during their wedding reception. This was agreed in principle subject to weather conditions.

Speeding High Street – This had been brought up at APM by a Parishioner. It was agreed to look into getting a survey done.

6 Local Planning/Strategic Planning – Mr Halfpenny reported that Urban and Civic promised to provide data traffic flows in May/June, but it had now been pushed back to August.

Urban and Civic are responsible for developing the Barrack's (brownfield) site. They are developing in conjunction with RLW who are interested in the adjacent greenfield land. Affordable houses are being scaled back. We do not want fewer affordable houses.

7 'What's On' Newsletter - It was agreed to put the following in May 2016 'What's On': Affordable Housing, Dog Fouling, Gritting Volunteer, Speeding in the Village, setting up a Parish Forum, Urban and Civic paper in Phone Box, Stagecoach.

8 Correspondence – The following correspondence was put into circulation: Clerks and Councils Direct May 2016 SLCC – The Clerk – May 2016

9 Finance

The following cheques were agreed for payment

1132 Maria Sylvester - Clerk's salary May 2016	£415.59
1332 Maria Sylvester - Reimbursement for internet May 2016	£7.00
1132 Maria Sylvester – Reimbursement for postage	£3.78
1133 Inland Revenue – PAYE May 2016	£151.00
1134 Neville Diver – Maintenance April 2016	£64.00
1135 Truelink Ltd – Grass cutting April 2016	£542.16
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1136 LCPAS Training Course for Chairman	£25.00
1137 Cambridgeshire Countryside Watch – Membership	£40.00
1138 Steve Wynn – Maintenance May 2016	£48.00
1138 Steve Wynn – Reimbursement for padlock for gate	£4.99
1139 Cottenham Village College - Minibus hire April 2016	£83.16

Income

VAT Reclaim	£1,216.70
CCC – Grass cutting allowance 2016/17	£629.35
Widows' Trust – Contribution to minibus hire	£750.00

10 Planning

New Applications

S/1291/16/FL – Single storey side extension to form double garage, store and utility room, New Farm, Green End, Mr Mathews. **No objections.**

S/1004/16/FL – Proposed new entrance and kitchen extension , 14 Abrahams Close, Mr and Mrs Alison and Matt Machlin. **No objections.**

S/1077/16/FL – Change of use of Farm Shop (A1) to offices (B1) (part retrospective), Grasshopper Park, Enterprise Nurseries, Ely Road, Partnership, Grasshopper Park. **No objections.**

Approved

S/0749/16/FL – Proposed single storey front extension, 3 Beche Way, Mr Dixon.

11 Councillors Reports

Councillor Leeke reported the following:

The City Deal Assembly had met to consider proposals which will be decided by the City Deal Board.

This includes proposals to close some through roads in Cambridge during peak traffic hours to most traffic, but buses and cyclists will be able to use them.

Introduce a Workplace Charging Levy. This would take longer to introduce and would entail businesses with more than 10 employee parking spaces being charged £1.50 per

day, which they might or might not pass on to their staff. It would not apply to customer parking spaces.

Make changes to Histon Road and Milton Road in Cambridge. This involves extending bus lanes on both roads as well as improvement for cycling such as cycle lanes where possible.

Devolution for Cambridgeshire – the Budget announcement said that we are expected to have an elected mayor for East Anglia, including Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

Discussions are continuing and both the County Council and SCDC have full Council meetings on 28 June 2016 to consider whatever has been negotiated by them.

Mr Halfpenny said that Cambridge is being insular. We need to think bigger. Dr Gambell said that there had been complaints about the smell coming from AmeyCespa. Clerk to report this.

Mr Grant gave the Clerk instructions if the fire alarm is activated.

Mr Grant reported that Waterbeach Gardening Club had asked the Village Hall about having a memorial for Terry Chapman. If they agreed to this, they would be inundated with requests. It was decided that the Parish Council would not object to considering a proposal.

Mr Hinkins said that there was a lot of swarf on the Recreation. Clerk to contact Truelink in relation to this.

12 Date of Future Meetings

- 3 July 2016
- 12 September 2016
- 3 October 2016

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.

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