

LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Landbeach Parish Council meeting held on 3 October 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in The Village Hall

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

Public Participation: There was no public participation.

- 1 **Apologies for Absence** were received from Mr John Halfpenny and Ms Ingrid Tregoing (District Councillor).
- 2 **Minutes of last Meeting** – Minutes of meeting held on 5 September 2016 were approved.
- 3 **Declaration of Interest** There were no declarations of interest.
- 4 **Matters Arising**

Worts Meadow – It was reported the quarterly Management meeting will be held on 6 October 2016.

Neighbourhood Watch - Mr Stevens reported that residents should be more aware of keeping doors secure now the darker nights are here.

Tithe Barn – Some TBT trustees met with Nicola, Carter Jonas (for Diocese of Ely); it transpires that the access track from Waterbeach Road to the Tithe Barn actually belongs to Diocese of Ely and is currently under a long lease to SCDC.

It was agreed to ask Truelink to cut back the brambles/scrub as far as possible so that a further meeting with Carter Jonas can look at how much extra width we require. Dr Gambell is producing a Statement of Significance to be used for grant applications, business plan etc.

Beach Babies pre-schoolers will be visiting the Barn on 10 October. Several other meetings are also planned (mostly Gemma O’Shea): Activity planner, Heritage Lottery Fund.

Spaldings Lane – There was nothing to report.

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

Akeman Street potholes – Highways have confirmed that at present Akeman Street is not in need of repair and they will monitor the location as part of routine inspections and work will be carried out if necessary in the future.

Play Area Gates

Mr Hinkins agreed to ask a carpenter to look at the gate in the Play Area. The handrail will be repaired as soon as possible.

Light above Defibrillator keypad – Mrs Hale agreed to look at getting a battery light for the Defibrillator.

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

Damaged slats opposite The Church – There was nothing to report.

Waterbeach Station – Parking – There was nothing further to report. People are still parking on verges even if there is a space in the car park.

Trees Banworth Lane – It was agreed that the residents should get together and deal with the overhanging trees.

Speeding in High Street – As Mr Halfpenny was not at the meeting there was nothing to report.

5 Clerk/Chairman's Report

Annual Return – Clerk reported that the Annual Return had been signed off by the External Auditor.

New Security Camera - Mr Hinkins agreed to contact Dent Security in relation to the quote obtained for £176 for replacing Camera 3.

Department for Communities and Local Government - Neighbourhood Planning Bill – A new Bill has been introduced that will go further in strengthening neighbourhood planning and which puts more power in the hands of local people to decide where development gets built. Visit www.gov.uk/dclg.

Electoral Review of Cambridgeshire – Final Recommendations - The Commission has now completed its review of Cambridgeshire County Council, it can be viewed at www.lgbce.org.uk. An interactive map of final recommendations is available at www.consultation.lgbce.org.uk.

Cottenham Minibus - It was reported that Cottenham Village College have confirmed that they will continue to run the bus at present.

Gritting Volunteer 2016/17 – It was reported that Mr Wynn would do the gritting this year as Mr Diver was no longer able to do it.

Dr Gambell said that he would like the large gritter to be removed from his garage. Clerk to look into this.

Damaged manhole cover – A Parishioner has reported that the manhole cover outside 112 High Street is damaged. This has been reported to Highways.

6 Local Planning/Strategic Planning – As Mr Halfpenny was not at the meeting, there was nothing to report.

7 ‘What’s On’ Newsletter - It was agreed to put the following in September 2016
 ‘What’s On’: Affordable Housing, Dog Fouling, Speeding in the Village, setting up a Parish Forum, Stagecoach. Ask Parishioners to keep their front paths and verges tidy as it causes problems for prams and wheelchairs. Not to park cars on the pavement which obstructs pedestrians, wheelchair users and pushchairs. Residents to be vigilant with the darker nights approaching about locking doors and locking cars.

8 Correspondence – The following correspondence was put into circulation:
 Fields in Trust 2015 Impact Report
 Came and Co
 Clerks and Council Direct –September 2016
 SLCC – The Clerk – September 2016

9 Finance

The following cheques were agreed for payment

1167 Maria Sylvester – Clerk’s salary September 2016	£446.15
1167 Maria Sylvester - Reimbursement for internet September 2016	£7.00
1167 Maria Sylvester - Reimbursement postage	£3.72
1167 Maria Sylvester – Reimbursement for toner cartridge	£13.00
1168 Inland Revenue – PAYE September 2016	£158.80
1169 Steve Wynn – Caretaking September 2016	£64.00
1170 Cottenham Village College – July minibus	£93.72
1171 OJ Gardening Services – Churchyard maintenance	£108.00
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1172 PKF Littlejohn LLP – Annual Return	£120.00
1173 Landbeach Village Hall – Contribution to 80 th BBQ	£91.88
1174 Truelink Ltd – Grass cutting September 2016	£259.62

Income

SCDC – Second tranche of Precept	£10,500.00
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Budget Control Statement 1 April – 30 September 2016 was tabled. Mr Grant asked about the membership of CAPALC. Clerk to look into whether the Council should continue with membership of this next year.

10 Planning

New Applications

S/1442/16/FL – Erection of a portable building for office/trade counter and a portable warehouse for material storage, Adjacent to Alboro Developments, Dickerson Industrial Estate, Ely Road, Waterbeach, John Davison Pipes. **Supports**

Approved

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.

S/1899/16/PA – Single storey rear extension and single storey side extension, 141 Waterbeach Road, Mr Ebbs.

Refused

S/1810/16/FL - Erection of a dwelling house and associated development (to include access), 98 High Street, Mr Ellwood.

11 Councillors Reports

Mr Leeke reported the following:

Urban and Civic had run an Open Day with an interesting exhibition in the Sports Hall. They are talking about a cycle route along Mere Way into Cambridge. They also mentioned having a bridge for foot and cycles over the A10.

The study is not progressing very fast, it will go into 2017.

Cambridgeshire County Council made a mistake when they charged for parking at the park and ride. 14% are driving into Cambridge. They would like the City Deal to pay for the charge to continue.

Dr Gambell said that Mere Way had been refused previously because of the agricultural traffic.

Mr Hinkins reported the following:

A parishioner had reported that the hedge by the postbox is very overgrown. Clerk to contact Carter Jonas.

Something should be put in 'What's On' about residents' hedges overhanging the paths and also car parking on pavements causing obstruction.

12 Date of Future Meetings

7 November 2016

8 December 2016

12 January 2017

The meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

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