

Weston Colville Parish Council

Chairman: Ray Vidler

Minutes

Of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7th January 2019 at 7.30pm in the Reading Room, Weston Colville.

Present: Ray Vidler (Chairman), Ian Ashbridge, John Garrod, Matt Jackson, Constantine Pagonis.
In Attendance: County and District Councillor Henry Batchelor, District Councillor Geoff Harvey.

Parishioners in attendance: 1

The chairman opened the meeting at 7.28 pm.

- 1. Apologies** - were received from Bridget Durham and James Hubbard.
- 2. Minutes** – The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 12th November 2018 were reviewed and agreed as a true record of the meeting. **Proposed by Cllr Jackson, seconded by Cllr Garrod.** All agreed. Minutes were signed.
- 3. Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Ashbridge declared a pecuniary interest in 11.2.
- 4. District and County Council Reports and items of interest** – District Councillor Henry Batchelor and County Councillor Geoff Harvey delivered their reports (appended).
County Council will be carrying out improvement works on the A1307 in the summer - a new bus lane, easier turning access for lorries at Dalehead Foods, and new traffic lights, and more bicycle racks at the Babraham Park and Ride. District Council has secured money for pothole repair, and the mobile library scheme is continuing. An ice rink is being built near Marshalls. South Cambs District Council (SCDC) aim to be 0% carbon emissions free by 2050. Cllr Harvey now has a seat on the A1307 strategy board.
- 5. Parishioners' Question Time** – A parishioner has complained about the new dog waste/litter bin that has been placed outside his house – following a request from parishioners during the November meeting. He advised that there used to be a lidded bin on a post on the opposite side of the road, and is concerned about vermin with the open style bin. It was suggested that the lidded bin at the cricket pitch be swapped with the new bin, which would be of more use for litter, and for it to be positioned on the post. Clerk to liaise with Cllr Harvey, and Arnie Leader from SCDC.
A letter was received regarding the gating of the Icknield Way (Section9.2).
- 6. Emergency Plan** – To update the Emergency Plan for the Village. Recommended the use of the Recreation Ground, Reading Room and Church in case of an emergency. SCDC to receive an authorised users contact list. The location of the defibrillator to be noted. Sandbags are available on a pallet if there is somewhere to store them under cover. Cllr Durham to update SCDC.
- 7. Planning**

7.1 Planning to be discussed and voted by Parish Council –

Reference	Address	Proposal	Status
S/4655/18/PA	Linnet Hall Barn, Road to Linnet Hall, Weston Colville, CB21 5PF	Conversion of barn to dwelling	Out for consultation

No objections, all in favour.

7.2 Status of planning applications with District Council

Reference	Address	Proposal	Status
S/3613/18/FL	Linnet Hall Barn, Road to Linnet Hall, Weston Colville, CB21 5PF	Conversion of barn to dwelling	Withdrawn
S/3921/18/FL	Coach House, Weston Green Barn, Common Road, Weston Colville, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB21 5NS	Single storey front and side extensions, 3no. new conservation rooflights, new stainless steel flue	Approved
S/3922/18/LB Listed Building Consent	Coach House, Weston Green Barn, Common Road, Weston Colville, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB21 5NS	Single storey front and side extensions, 3no. new conservation rooflights, new stainless steel flue	Approved

7.3 Weston Woods Update – Cllrs Vidler, Jackson, and Garrod attended a meeting in November, to discuss potential changes to farmyard prior to planning being sought. No objections are likely as the new agricultural buildings will not be visible from the road, or by the public.

8. Matters in hand/ Arising since last meeting

8.1 Website update – Cllr Pagonis has looked in to a company that specialises in websites for parish councils, which would cost £299 to create, however it would then charge £10 a month for each user that is registered. Cllr Pagonis then suggested that his company could set up the website for a one off fee, and then step away – offering no follow up support, allowing as many users as were required for £50. **Proposed by Cllr Jackson, Seconded by Cllr Vidler.**

8.2 Road Drain clearance and repair update – There is a proposal for a larger gully at Church End or relocating the gully completely, works will not commence until the next financial year. Cllr Batchelor will continue to chase Highways.

8.3 Speed Indicator Device (SID) update – Cllr Hubbard was not present, and so will update fully at the next meeting. A high volume of traffic has been noted coming in from Haverhill direction, with speeds of up to 65mph. Wadlow Windfarm have provided grants towards traffic calming measures, to be investigated before the deadline in July.

8.4 Footpaths and Rights of Way – Bridge over Stour Footpath 19 – No repair has occurred yet. There is a proposal to move the footpath, Cllr Durham to update at the next meeting.

8.5 Tree Warden – Cllr Garrod attended training at the end of November, which discussed who owns the trees in a Cambridgeshire Village Treescape, and which authority to contact with concerns. Awaiting further training dates.

8.6 Post Box – The post box has been in place since before Christmas, but Cllr Ashbridge was advised by Royal Mail that it would not be open for use until 12th January.

8.7 Dog Waste Bin – See Section 5.

9. Matters for the Council to discuss/vote on

9.1 Tenders for Grass Cutting for 2019 – Cllr Garrod has received some quotes and is waiting for others for cutting the verges and the recreation areas and war memorial. To be agreed at the next meeting.

9.2 Ickniel Way – The council have been advised to contact the officer at SCDC directly with relevant information. A letter has been received by a parishioner, which contains views shared by many that gating the bridleway will detract fly tipping and travellers, and allow better use for all. Proposal to gate on the condition that land owners have full access. **Proposed Cllr Jackson, Seconded Cllr Garrod.** All in favour. Clerk to scan and send the parishioner's letter to the officer in charge at SCDC.

9.3 Age UK – A letter has been received asking to increase the annual contribution from £250 to £450 a year. The contribution is paid for by the Briggs Gift, and it is not an affordable increase. Clerk to write to Age UK advising them of this, advising them that it was increased last year, and in the current climate all the Parish Council can afford is £250. **Proposed Cllr Vidler, Seconded Cllr Garrod.** All in favour.

10. Playground

10.1 Maintenance Update – No update.

11. Finance

11.1 Payments since last meeting

Date	Chq. No.	Payee	Item	Amount
14.12.18	728	Royal British Legion	Poppy Appeal Wreath	£5
14.12.18	729	Garrod Family	Reading Room Car Park Tree Works	£850

11.2 Payments agreed at the meeting

Payee	Item	Amount
T. J. Potter	Verge Cutting	£ 1140 VAT £190
Challenge	Donation to the Challenge Parish Magazine	£100
Jessica Ashbridge	Clerk's expenses – printer ink and stamps	£32.96

Proposed by Cllr Vider, Seconded by Cllr Jackson, Cllr Ashbridge declared a pecuniary interest. 4 in favour.

11.3 Account balance - £14,686.09 on the 7th January 2019.

11.4 Update on Mandates for bank signatories – Cllrs Jackson and Ashbridge approved as signatories.

11.5 Reading Room car park transfer update– No update, Rhodri Rees has sent the completed documents in to Cambridgeshire County Council. Clerk to ask Cllrs Batchelor and Harvey to chase CCC.

11.6 Draft Budget - Draft budget presented and discussed. There will not be a Reading Room layby, and all 106 funds have been allocated, Clerk training will be paid for by her other employer, as the council receives a bursary from the Local Association of Councils.

12. Matters for the next agenda

- 12.1 Footpath 19 bridge
- 12.2 Grass cutting tenders
- 12.3 Website
- 12.4 Traffic calming scheme

Date of Next full Meeting:

- 4th March 2019

Dates of Parish Council meetings in 2019:

Full Council	<u>20th May, 1st July, 2nd September, 4th November</u>
Planning meetings (if required)	<u>4th February 2019, 1st April, 3rd June, 5th August, 7th October, 2nd Dec</u>

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

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Signed.....4th March 2019

Ray Vidler

Report for Parish Councils – January 2019

HOUSING STRATAGY

South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council are working on a joint housing strategy. Their plans are out for consultation, so this is your opportunity to have your say. You can find the consultation documents at: www.scambs.gov.uk/housing/housing-strategy-consultation/

A1307

Work is due to start on road safety improvements on 14 Jan. The first job will be on the dual carriageway passing Dalehead going towards Linton. The inside lane will be hatched off making it a single lane up to the entry to the Dalehead Foods, this is designed to improve safety entering and leaving the plant. The next step will be to make the inside lane from Dalehead to the Village College traffic lights a bus lane.

Over the next two years a programme of improvements will be implemented. Not all of them are fully worked up yet but will include a roundabout at the Bartlow crossroads, upgraded traffic lights, new traffic light controls at Linton High Street and the Hildersham crossing, upgraded cycle paths and further bus priority measures.

Full details can be at:

www.greatercambridge.org.uk/transport/transport-projects/cambridge-south-east-study/

CONTACT

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2050 Zero Carbon Target

In October last year, world-leading scientists gave their clearest warning yet about the impacts of climate change if we do not make urgent changes to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. We are already feeling the effects in the UK of increased intensity and frequency of storms, flooding and heatwaves. Water scarcity and air pollution are also moving up the agenda. South Cambs want to show climate leadership and duly passed motion (supported by all parties) in November supporting the transition to "Zero Carbon by 2050" in the next Local Plan.

