**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 1st November 2021 at 7.30pm in the Reading Room.**

Present: Ray Vidler (Chairman), Bridget Durham (Vice Chair), Ian Ashbridge, John Garrod, Faye Parker, Constantine Pagonis, Jessica Ashbridge (Clerk)

In Attendance: County Councillor Henry Batchelor.

1. **Chairman’s Welcome –** The Chairman welcomed those present.
2. **To accept apologies and reasons for absence –** Apologies were accepted forCllr Hubbard due to work commitments. **P: Cllr Vidler, S: Cllr Durham, All in fav.** Cllr Harvey was unable to attend due to illness.
3. **To make any declarations of interest –** Cllr Ashbridge declared a pecuniary interest in 12.1.
4. **Public Participation Session –** None.
5. **To approve minutes-** For the meeting of Weston Colville Parish Council on 6th September **P: Cllr Durham, S: Cllr Vidler, All in fav.**
6. **District and County Council reports and items of interest** – Cllr Batchelor delivered a verbal report on behalf of the District and County Councils. It was reposted that the SCDC call for sites consultation opened on 1st November. Weston Colville had had no sites put forwards, but SCDC still wanted comments if possible. The majority of the sites that had been put forwards were for existing towns and large villages. Cllr Batchelor advised that he had arranged a meeting with the new Mayor on 19th November via Teams, and all were welcome. The Clerk was instructed to circulate the email with the invitation. County Council report was that there was a public consultation about the potential changes to the Newmarket Road, replacing the roundabouts for crossroads, and giving cyclist priority with new cycle lanes. The Park and Ride was also to be moved.
7. **Planning**

**To be discussed:**

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| **Planning reference** | **Address** | **Proposal** | **Decision** |
| **21/04267/FUL**  | Unit 3 Weston Woods Farm Common Road  | Change of use to allow the parking of vehicles. | Awaiting Decision**Agreed to support with No Comments** |

**SCDC Decisions:**

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| **Planning reference** | **Address** | **Proposal** | **Decision** |
| **21/02431/LBC****21/02430/HFUL** | Coven Wood Cottage Mill Hill Weston Colville CB21 5NY | Restore lower section of thatched roof to pan tiling | Awaiting Decision |
| **21/02590/HFUL** | 44 Mill Hill Weston Colville CB21 5NY | Two storey rear extension | Approved |
| **21/03520/HFUL**  | Hill Crofts House Church End Weston Colville CB21 5PE | Erection of a mobile timber structure | Awaiting Decision |

1. **Matters for the Council to discuss/vote on**
	1. **Hedge at Reading Room Car Park** – It was determined that Cllr Ashbridge would trim the hedge. Contact would be made with the owner of the car that has been abandoned in the car park, to ask for it to be removed by the end of the year.
	2. **Challenge Newsletter** – It was determined to contribute £125 to the Challenge Newsletter. **P: Cllr Vidler, S: Cllr Parker, All in fav.**
	3. **The Queen’s Green Canopy –** A presentation was received (in meeting documents). It was determined to add a note in the Challenge.
	4. **Defibrillator –** It was noted that the Reading Room Committee had connected the cabinet to the electrical supply. New pads were inserted, and the defibrillator was rescue ready. It was determined to sign up to the Webnos system from Community Heartbeat, at no charge, and that the Clerk would take responsibility for checking the defib, and reporting it on the system. **P: Cllr Garrod, S: Cllr Durham, All in fav.** It was also determined to look into servicing, and downloading the manual.
	5. **Poppy Appeal** -It was determined to contribute to the RBL Poppy Appeal, and to do this via Just Giving, as requested by the RBL coordinator. It was proposed that Cllr Ashbridge would pay through Just Giving, and be reimbursed by the Council. It would be noted on the online payment that the money had come from WCPC. **P: Cllr Ashbridge, S: Cllr Vidler, All in fav.**
	6. **Cambridge Eastern access presentation –** A report was received.
2. **Matters In hand / Arising since last meeting**
	1. **Flooding** – It was updated that the drains had been done at Church End, and a new curbed island had been created to divert the water, a new pot inset had been created and the road widened. The Cllrs on the flooding WP had emailed Cllr Batchelor about new grips to be dug on Common Road. It was reported that Cllr Durham had 2 flood signs, there were 2 at the Reading Room, and 2 at Church End with one of the wardens. Cllr Garrod requested that another grit bin was purchased for storage, to be placed behind the bus shelter. It was proposed that another bin and lock were ordered. **P: Cllr Pagonis, S: Cllr Durham.** New drains were being put in on Mill Hill. Cllr Vidler was asked to email Highways about the road resurfacing, and whether work on the drains would be carried out at the same time.
	2. **SID and LHI** – It was reported that the grant application had been made, and an acknowledgment had been received. Once the result of the application was received, a suvey could be generated, prior to a public meeting. Cllr Pagonis offered his assistance to Cllrs Ashbridge and Hubbard.
	3. **Footpaths –** It was reported that the bridge at College Farm had been taken down by the owners. At the time of the meeting, the debris had been placed on the footpath, obstructing it. The owners had 14 days to clear it.
	4. **ZCC 6 Free Trees from SCDC** – It was noted that the Trees would be delivered the week commencing 6th December. The Clerk would liaise with Cllr Hubbard, as to where each tree was going.
	5. **Platinum Jubilee event** – It was noted that only one person had come forward with any ideas. It was determined to wait until after Christmas. There was no cricket scheduled for the Jubilee weekend.
	6. **CAPALC Conference – Share the Vision, Shape the Future** – Presentations were received following the Clerk’s attendance on 17th September.
	7. **Highways actions at the Ford on Horseshoe Lane –** No update**.**
3. **Risk Assessment/Health and Safety –** The defibrillator was rescue ready on 1st November.
4. **Playground –** None.
5. **Finance –**
	1. **To Approve cheques –** The cheques were approved. **P: Cllr Durham, S: Cllr Parker, Abstain: 1, 5 in fav.**
	2. **Quarterly Accounts –** The accounts were received **P: Cllr Vidler, S: Cllr Garrod, All in fav.**
	3. **Precept –** It was determined not to complete the consultation. **P: Cllr Ashbridge, S: Cllr Vidler, All in fav.**

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| **Credit Received Cambridgeshire County Council Grass Cutting contribution****Precept** | £456.75£6,250 |
| **Wages s/o**  | £211.19 |
| **Balance at Lloyds Bank on 30th September** | £19,396.48 |

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| **Cheque number** | **Detail and Date** |  | **Amount** | **VAT** |
| D/D | Street lighting  |  | £10.76 |  |
| D/D | PWLB 30th September |  | £1,143.39 |  |
| 803 | CAPALC Conference Clerk Training |  | £75 |  |
| 800 | Simon Ratford  |  | £375 |  |
| 801 | Challenge Newsletter |  | £125 |  |
| 802 | RBL Poppy Appeal – paid through Just Giving by Cllr Ashbridge – ch made out to Ian Ashbridge. |  | £10 |  |
| **Total** |  |  | £585 |  |
|  | **Total of Outstanding Cheques**  | 796 | £13.68 |  |
|  | **After above Cheques**  |  | **£18,797.80** |  |

1. **Matters for next Agenda –** Precept, budget – election costs

**Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 5th January**

**Dates of Parish Council meetings in 2022 are: 5th January, 7th March, Wednesday May 11th, 4th July, 5th September, 7th November.**

The Meeting closed at 21.11.