

## FENSTANTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2015 7:30 PM AT FENSTANTON & HILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL.

**Present :** Cllrs : Caswell, Dartford, Dockerill, Grantham, Henderson, Kent (Chairman),  
Lee, Pask, Pryke, Saunderson, West & White.

**In Attendance :** Mr S Dartford (Clerk), 4 Parishioners.

**15.069 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Were received from Cllr. Place, District Cllr. Mead & County Cllr. Bates.

**15.070 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

Cllr. Saunderson. Personal interest. Agenda item 15.078.

**15.071 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015.**

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Saunderson. **Seconded:** Cllr. Henderson. **Vote:** Carried.

**15.072 MATTERS ARISING.**

**Agenda item 15.057. Report by Ch. Ins. Hunt.**

A letter of thanks has been sent to Ch. Ins. Hunt.

**Agenda item 15.059. Correspondence & Clerks report.**

A meeting has been convened between Mr Shepherd (Post Office), the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk for the 20<sup>th</sup> October to review the situation of relocating the Post Office. A Member provided information on the Community Interest Company.

**Agenda item 15.063. To consider and agree a response to the County Council's consultation for further street lighting energy savings.**

The Parish Council's comments have been forwarded to the County Council. A Member advised the meeting that he had canvassed the residents of Maytrees, Greenfields and Elizabeth Court.

**15.073 CORRESPONDENCE & CLERK'S REPORT.**

**Circus Tyanna.** Notification has been received that Circus Tyanna wish to include Fenstanton in their 2016 tour. Further information as to the location and dates has been requested.

**HDC – Street Naming & Numbering.** The two new properties on land between 7 and The Limes, Bell Lane is to be known as 7A and 7B Bell Lane.

**Clerk's report.**

**Village Pond.** Following discussion with Mr Milligan (Hinchingsbrooke Country Park Ranger) the pond will not be cleaned this year but work will be undertaken next year.

**Wyton Airfield Development.** A public exhibition is being held on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October between 10:00 and 16:00 at Huntingdon library.

**Whippet Coaches.** Minor changes to some Saturday and Sunday evening departure times are to be made. The change becomes effective from 26<sup>th</sup> October.

15.074

**POLICE REPORT.****To review the list of reported crimes.**

A report of crimes for the month of August, the latest available from the Police, was distributed to Members present for information.

15.075

**COMMITTEE REPORTS.****15.075.0. Planning Committee.**

Draft minutes of the meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> September were included with Members papers. The Chairman of the Planning Committee provided supplementary information

15.076

**REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS.****15.076.01. District Councillor's report.**

In the absence of Cllr Mead no report was given.

**15.076.02. County Councillors report.**

In the absence of Cllr. Bates no report was given.

**15.076.03. Other.**

No other meetings had been attended.

15.077

**TO CONSIDER APPLYING FOR A GRANT UNDER THE LOCAL HIGHWAY INITIATIVE.**

Following discussion it was resolved to make a submission for the application of double yellow lines on the east bound slip road from the A14 (Dairy Road).

**Proposed:** Cllr. Kent.      **Seconded:** Cllr. Saunderson.      **Vote:** 11 in favour.  
1 against.

The resolution was carried.

The meeting considered the contribution the Parish Council should make to support the application. The meeting was advised that a minimum contribution of 10% is required and the estimated cost for the work is £3,000. Members felt that the application stood a greater chance of success if more than the minimum amount was provided. Following further debate it was resolved to make a contribution of £600.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Saunderson.      **Seconded:** Cllr. Pask.      **Vote:** 9 in favour.  
2 abstentions.  
1 against.

The resolution was, therefore, carried.

15.078

**TO CONSIDER THE PLANTING OF HEDGING ON THE INSIDE OF THE VERGE AT THE UNOFFICIAL LAYBY ON THE A1096.**

Following discussion concern was expressed at the possible safety effects the hedging would have on vehicles exiting the layby and the possible costs the Parish may incur for maintenance in the future. It was resolved not to support the proposal.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Henderson.      **Seconded:** Cllr. Dartford.      **Vote:** 11 in favour.  
1 against.

**15.079      PARISH ACTION PLAN.**

An amended copy of the action plan was distributed to all Members present. A member had observed that there are a number of holes that require filling in the cemetery and requested that this be included as an ongoing action and that the matter is included in the Risk Register. Notices warning of uneven ground will be displayed in the Churchyard and cemetery.

**15.080      FINANCE**

**15.080.01. To receive the Financial Report & approve payments.**

The Financial Report had been distributed to Members. It was resolved the payments be approved.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Henderson.      **Seconded:** Cllr. Lee      **Vote:** Carried.

A copy of the report is appended to the minutes.

**15.080.02. To Approve The Transfer Of Funds.**

The RFO recommended a transfer of £1,580 from the Instant Access Business Account to the Current Account to cover expenditure for the month of October.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Henderson.      **Seconded:** Cllr. Lee.      **Vote:** Carried.

**15.081      CALENDAR OF KNOWN FORTHCOMING MEETINGS.**

Dates of forthcoming meetings had been distributed to Members.

**15.082      PARISH MATTERS TO NOTE.**

- 1). The meeting was advised that the Developer had reneged on the agreement to provide land for the new Village Hall in the Dairy Crest development.
- 2). It had been observed that the former Londis shop had been repainted. Concern was expressed that the colour was possibly not in keeping with a conservation area.
- 3). A Member expressed concern at the number of vehicles parking dangerously on the Talls Lane, Church Street, Chequer Street junction and felt that consideration should be given to imposing parking restrictions at some point in the future.
- 4). The meeting was advised that the District Council's Enforcement Officer is investigating the situation concerning the realignment of the fence in Pitfield Close.
- 5). The meeting was advised that a builders van had been observed parked on Chapel Green.
- 6). A Member of the Parish Council had been observed painting white circles on the High Street at the Headlands and Chequer Street junctions. A Councillor enquired if the Member concerned had sought the permission of the Chairman or Clerk prior to undertaking the act. The meeting was advised that permission had not been sought or granted. The Councillor requested that as this had contravened the Parish Council's Standing Orders and Code of Conduct the matter is discussed at the next meeting of the Finance and Constitution Committee.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:40pm.

Abbreviations used in these minutes are as follows:-

RFO. Responsible Financial Officer.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_( Chairman )

\_\_\_\_\_ ( Date )