

FENSTANTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 9th JUNE 2016 7:30 PM AT FENSTANTON & HILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Present : Cllrs : Dartford, Henderson, Kent (Chairman),
Lee, Pask, Place, Pryke, Saunderson & White.

In Attendance : Mr S Dartford (Clerk)

16.019 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Were received from Cllrs. Caswell, Dockerill, Grantham, West, County Cllr Bates & District Cllr Mead.

16.020 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr. White. Agenda item 16.030. Personal interest.
Cllr. White. Agenda Item 16.031. Personal interest.

16.021 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 12th MAY 2016.

The minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

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

16.022 MATTERS ARISING.

Agenda item 16.013. Sale of Speedwatch signs.

A Member enquired if information had been obtained with respect to the legalities of selling the redundant Speedwatch signs. The meeting was advised that information has been received although further clarification is required as there is concern that the signs could be used in an inappropriate manner possibly in another County. However, the Clerk is investigating the possibility that the County Council may be prepared to take the signs and refund the full amount paid by the Parish Council.

Agenda Item 16.005. To Consider the purchase / provision of defibrillators for the Parish. An update on action since the last meeting was given by Cllr. Pask. The meeting was advised that the District Council Conservation Department have been contacted and a reply is awaited. The Chairman advised the meeting that he had contacted District Cllr. Mead concerning funding but had not received a reply at this juncture. The Meeting discussed the situation of funding should a benefactor not be found.

16.023 CORRESPONDENCE & CLERK'S REPORT.

Local Government Boundary Commission. Notification has been received of new draft proposals for the Electoral Review of Cambridgeshire. The new draft proposals will have no effect on Fenstanton's representation.

CCC. Notification has been received that the grass cutting grant for financial year 2016 / 2017 will be £661.01. The same amount as last year. The County Council have been invoiced.

CCC. Notification has been received that the Highways Department will be holding open days at their various depots. The open day at the Huntingdon Depot will be 18th July between 10:00 and 17:00.

HDC – Street Naming & Numbering. The two new properties on land East of 9A Church Lane are to be known as 9B and 9C.

Clerk's report.

The Chairman of the Burial Board and the Clerk met with Mr Cook (Memorial Mason) in the Cemetery on 25th May to review the action required to make safe the loose memorials as identified during the inspection held 3rd May. The Chairman of the Burial Board provided supplementary information.

16.024

POLICE REPORT.

To review the list of reported crimes.

A report of crimes for the months of March and April, the latest available from the Police, was distributed to all Members present. The Meeting was advised that on the night of 26th / 27th May a John Deere utility vehicle was stolen from a barn in West End Road. The Police have received reports of young males entering the Dairy Crest site with skateboards. The Police are requesting information as to the identity of those concerned. Members expressed concern at the number of crimes and what appeared to be little action from the Police with the status of investigation stating "investigation complete; no suspect identified". The Meeting was advised that Sgt. Street is holding a forum on 7th July and Cllr. Saunderson agreed to raise the Parish Council's concerns.

16.025

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

16.025.01. Planning Committee.

The Chairman of the Planning Committee appraised the meeting of planning matters which had arisen since the last meeting.

16.026

REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS.

16.026.01. District Councillor's report.

In the absence of District Cllr. Mead no report was given.

16.026.02. County Councillors report.

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

16.026.03. Village Hall Trust.

The Chairman's report as presented at the Village Hall Trust's Annual General Meeting held 14th March had been distributed with Member's papers for information. Supplementary information was provided by a Parish Council representative to the Village Hall Trust.

16.026.04. Other.

Cllr. Saunderson had attended and reported on the Hinchingsbrooke NHS Trust meeting. Following discussion the meeting agreed to comment on the future of Hinchingsbrooke Hospital once the business plan is received.

16.027

TO CONSIDER TAKING THE MANAGEMENT OF CHURCH STREET CAR PARK FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCIL.

During discussion it was felt that the Parish Council could not afford to increase its liabilities. It was, therefore, resolved to decline the offer of taking the management of Church Street Car Park.

Proposed: Cllr. White.

Seconded: Cllr. Dartford.

Vote: Carried.

16.028 TO CONSIDER AND REVIEW THE STRATIGIC ANALYSIS OF INFRASTRUCTURE CONSIDERATIONS PAPER.

A Member had suggested that part of the land in front of the Bungalow on the High Street, which is owned by Dairy Crest, could be used for additional car parking. The meeting agreed to include this once further planning applications are received for the development of the site.

The meeting reviewed the paper and an amendment made and it was agreed to adopt the document at the July meeting. The matter will be included as an agenda item for that meeting.

16.029 TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM THE VILLAGE HALL TRUST FOR PERMISSION TO USE CLOCK TOWER GREEN AS A BASE FOR THE CYCLE TREASURE HUNT.

Following discussion it was resolved to grant permission for the Village Hall Trust to use Clock Tower Green for the event to be held on 4th September, should it be required.

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

16.030 TO CONSIDER GRANTING PERMISSION FOR PRE-SCHOOL TO HOLD A BIG BRITISH PICNIC ON THE HAMPTON CLOSE OPEN SPACE.

Cllr. White had declared an interest in this agenda item and did not partake in the discussion. It was resolved to grant permission to Pre-School to hold the event on 14th July.

Proposed: Cllr. Dartford. **Seconded:** Cllr. Pryke. **Vote:** Carried.
Cllr. White did not vote.

16.031 TO ELECT A RECIPIENT FOR THE VILLAGE COMMUNITY AWARD.

Cllr. White had declared an interest in this agenda item and did not partake in the discussion.

Nominations were received for the following:

Mrs Marion Page (services as Pre- School leader).

Mrs Sandra Williams (services as Pre-School leader).

Mrs Roseanne White (services as Pre-School leader).

The meeting was advised that the above nominees all retire at the end of this School year and between them have a combined service record of over 100 years. The meeting agreed that the nomination should be made collectively not individually.

Mr Charlie Darling (services to the Fenstanton Youth Football Club).

Mr Ray Whitby (services to the CB 300 celebrations).

Following a paper ballot it was decided that the Pre School team will receive The Village Community Award.

Cllr. White did not vote.

The Chairman will present the award.

16.032 FINANCE.

16.032.01. To receive the Financial Report & approve payments.

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

Proposed: Cllr. White. **Seconded:** Cllr. Kent. **Vote:** Carried.

A copy of the report is appended to the minutes.

16.032.02. To Approve The Transfer Of Funds.

The RFO recommended a transfer of £7,300 from the Instant Access Business Account to the Current Account to cover expenditure for the month of June.

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

16.033 CALENDAR OF KNOWN FORTHCOMING MEETINGS.

Dates of forthcoming meetings had been distributed to Members.

16.034 PARISH MATTERS TO NOTE.

- 1). A Member enquired if dog fouling in the Village remains a problem. The meeting was advised that no complaints have been received.
- 2). A Member has observed dogs in the children's play area at the Headlands Park. The Clerk will re-instate the "no dogs allowed" signs on the gates.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:05pm.

Abbreviations used in these minutes are as follows:-

CCC.	Cambridgeshire County Council.
HDC.	Huntingdonshire District Council.
RFO.	Responsible Financial Officer.

Signed _____ (Chairman)

_____ (Date)