

FENSTANTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 9th OCTOBER 2014 7:30 PM
AT FENSTANTON & HILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Present : Cllrs : Blunt, Dartford, Harlock, Henderson (Chairman), Kent, Lee, Pask, Peerthy, Pryke, Saunderson, West & White.

In Attendance : Mr S Dartford (Clerk) & 2 Parisioners.

14.069 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.
Cllr. Place and County Cllr. Bates.

14.070 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.
Cllr. Henderson. Agenda 14.075.01. Pecuniary interest.

14.071 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 11th SEPTEMBER 2014.
The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.
Proposed: Cllr. White. **Seconded:** Cllr. Blunt. **Vote:** Carried.

14.072 MATTERS ARISING.
There were no matters arising from the minutes.

14.073 CORRESPONDENCE & CLERK'S REPORT.
Capability Brown 300 Committee. Grant application. The matter will be considered by the Finance & Constitution Committee at the meeting to be held on 23rd October.

HDC. Notification of tree preservation orders being placed on 9 trees at 22 High Street.

Clerk's report.

The Annual Return for the financial year 2013/14 has been returned from the external auditor with no comments. The Chairman thanked the Clerk for his diligence.

The pond clean took place on 27th September. Mr Behagg provided the trailer free of charge.

The Vindis site public exhibition and consultation will take place on Thursday 16th October between 4 and 8pm. A private viewing for local Councillors will take place between 3 and 4 pm.

Information from Speedwatch has been distributed to all Members.

The clock was serviced on 7th October and found to be in good condition.

A representative from HACTS will attend the November meeting to appraise Members of developments to the service they provide to the community.

14.074 POLICE REPORT.**14.074.01. 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 for information. A copy of the report is appended to the minutes.

14.075 COMMITTEE REPORTS.**14.075.01. Planning Committee.****To consider Planning Application: 140458FUL. Erection of a semi detached house & associated infrastructure. Land between 7 & The Limes, Bell Lane.**

Cllr. Henderson retired from the meeting at 20:16 and Cllr. Kent took the Chair. The Planning Committee had studied the application and could find no reason to recommend refusal. The meeting noted that TPOs had been placed on trees on the overall site. It was resolved to recommend approval of the application subject to notification of the TPOs to the developer. Concern was expressed that the developer may re-position the building as a result of the TPOs.

Proposed: Cllr. White.

Seconded: Cllr. Blunt.

Vote: 8 in favour.
3 abstentions.

Cllr. Henderson re-joined the meeting at 20:53.

The Chairman of the Planning Committee appraised Members of other planning matters since the last meeting.

14.076 REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS.

14.076.01. District Councillor's report. The meeting was advised there were no matters appertaining to the Parish.

14.076.02. County Councillors report. In the absence of Cllr. Bates no report was given. However, Cllr. Bates had imparted the following comment via Cllr Harlock, that the Parish Council give thought to the impact A14 construction traffic may have on the Parish.

14.076.03. Other. No other meetings had been attended.

14.077 FLOOD FORUM – POINTS TO BE RAISED.

Cllr. Lee will attend the Flood forum meeting to be held 19th November 2014. Cllr. Lee advised the meeting of the role of the Flood Forum and requested Members to advise her if they had any issues they felt should be raised. The following points were raised:

- 1). Consideration should be given to a Village flood defence by Hall Green Brook. This was first raised in 2001.
- 2). Possible flooding on Hilton Road by Old Clayfields following the proposed re-routing of the A14.

14.078 TO CONSIDER THE PARISH COUNCIL'S SUPPORT AND POSSIBLE FORM OF INVOLVEMENT TO THE CAPABILITY BROWN CELEBRATION.

The meeting was advised that a grant application for financial support had been received from the Capability Brown 300 Committee.

Following discussion it was agreed that the Finance & Constitution Committee should consider the matter.

14.079 A14 – UPDATE OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS FOLLOWING THE HILTON EXHIBITION.

A member had expressed concern at a report in the media following an exhibition held in Hilton. A copy of the report had been distributed to all Members for information. The meeting was advised that the exhibition had not been organised by the Highways Agency but by Hilton and therefore the information displayed was not accurate or current. Cllr. Kent appraised the meeting of the current situation. A Member felt that the Parish does not promote its support for the proposed route sufficiently compared to the amount of negative publicity from other Parishes. Following discussion it was resolved that Cllr. White drafts a letter to the Hunts Post in support of the proposed route on behalf of the Parish Council and that delegated authority is given to the Chairman and Clerk to approve the content of the letter.

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

14.080 TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FROM THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE FOR THE ERECTION OF A CHRISTMAS TREE & ILLUMINATIONS ON CLOCK TOWER GREEN.

The meeting resolved to approve the request.

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

14.081 TO APPOINT A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE FENSTANTON TOWN TRUST.

A vacancy has arisen and the Fenstanton Town Trust has requested that it is filled by a Member of the Parish Council. Cllr. Pryke expressed an interest in filling the Vacancy. It was, therefore, resolved that Cllr. Pryke fills the vacancy.

Proposed: Cllr. Blunt. **Seconded:** Cllr. Harlock. **Vote:** Carried.

14.082 PARISH ACTION PLAN.

There were no further actions added to the Action Plan.

14.083 FINANCE**14.083.01. To receive the Financial Report & approve payments.**

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

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

A copy of the report is appended to the minutes.

14.083.02. To Approve The Transfer Of Funds.

The RFO recommended a transfer of £2,300.00 from the Instant Access Business Account to the Current Account to cover expenditure for the month of October.

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

14.084 CALENDAR OF KNOWN FORTHCOMING MEETINGS.

Dates of forthcoming meetings had been distributed to Members.

14.085 PARISH MATTERS TO NOTE.

1). A Member had observed that the Keep Left sign on the Low Road and the oak post on the High Street had not been repaired and requested an update of progress. The meeting was advised that the necessary repairs should be undertaken by County Council Highways in the near future.

- 2). A member requested an update regarding the lorry parking on the A14 slip road. The meeting was advised that a reply was still awaited from the Police. The Clerk will pursue the matter.
- 3). The meeting was advised that the bush on the corner of Oaklands remains uncut.
- 4). The meeting was advised that Moores Brook is overgrown and concern was expressed at the possibility of flooding

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.14pm.

Abbreviations used in these minutes are as follows:-

RFO.
TPO.

Responsible Financial Officer.
Tree Preservation Order.

Signed _____ (Chairman)

_____ (Date)