

Dry Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of Dry Drayton Parish Council Meeting of Tuesday 18th March 2014 at 8.00pm in Dry Drayton Village Hall

Present: Cllrs: P. Fane (Chairman), I. Harrison, D Wyatt, R. Stamford, F Northrop, S Pryer and H. Russell; County Councillor John Reynolds, and District Councillors Bunty Waters and Roger Hall ; and four members of the public.

In attendance: Robert Stone (Parish Clerk & RFO)

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Item
- Agenda
- 27 Welcome - The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 28 Apologies for absence - Des O'Brien on Stop Bourne Airfield Development was unable to attend and address the Council.
- 29 Declarations of interest relating to items on the agenda - None
- 30 Public Participation on Agenda items & matters of mutual interest
- i) County Councillor report - Cllr Reynolds advised that there would be an announcement of the A14 consultation in the near future. Cambridgeshire CC would shortly adopt a committee structure; and the number of its members would be reviewed. Funds for infrastructure were now being distributed to district councils. Works on Dry Drayton's primary school should go ahead but there would be a funding problem for projects in two year's time.
- ii) District Councillor reports - Circulated on 15th March. The new Local Plan aimed to provide 22,000 new jobs and 19,000 new homes.
- iii) Matters raised by members of the public:
- At the chairman's invitation Edward Byam Cook (Chairman of Madingley PC) set out the case being made by Stop Bourn Airfield Development and the need to gain professional advice to raise the issues with the Government Inspector who would be scrutinising South Cambridge DC's proposed Local Plan. The A428 was already overloaded. More through traffic would adversely affect Dry Drayton and Madingley.
- A local resident spoke on street lighting and made reference to recent incidents involving a cattle lorry, and a fracas at the end of High Street plus the destruction of bridleway barriers. Re-inforced gates were needed to prevent vehicle access. He also delivered letters from two neighbours raising similar concerns about the street lighting at the end of High Street. One proposed better road signage to indicate this was a no through road.
- 31 To confirm minutes of the meeting of 18th February 2014.
- Resolved to approve. *Prop: Cllr RS Sec: Cllr DW* Unanimous.

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Matters arising from previous meetings

Item 145(iv) Bank account signatories - Signatory update confirmed.

Item 145(v) Assets of community value - Cllr Fane said he had discussed registering the village pub as a community asset with the landlords of the Black Horse. DDPC could now proceed. It was also agreed that residents would be consulted about the community assets that they valued **Action:** Clerk - To advise on the procedure; and Cllr Pryer to write a short feature in The Newsletter.

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item 2014/10iii Research on ownership of village greens - Cllr Fane said no further progress had been made as regards contacting the Searle family. The next step was to investigate the procedure to register the greens. **Action:** Cllr DW, and Clerk

Finance

i To approve payments to 18th March 2014 (updated from 12/3/14)

<u>Cheque</u>	<u>Payment</u>	<u>Detail</u>	<u>£gross</u>	<u>£net</u>	<u>Vat</u>
869	Clerk	February salary	249.90	249.90	0
870	HMRC	PAYE - 6/1 to 5/4/14	187.60	187.60	0
871	Getmapping PLC	Parish Online renewal	33.60	28.00	5.60
872	CACRE	Payroll - July to March	66.96	55.80	11.16
873	Clerk's expenses	Toner cartridge	14.99	14.99	0
874	Cambs CC	Lighting energy charges - April to Sep13	136.26	113.55	22.71
	Totals		£689.31	£649.84	£39.47

- ii. The current account balance was noted as £11,994.92 at 27th February 2014.
- iii. To consider grant funding Freaky Friday's costs for a youth worker.
- Resolved to approve a grant of £500 to ensure future of the youth club.
Action: Clerk
- iv. To approve a budget for 2014/15 - Cllr Fane advised that he had reviewed the initial draft budget, including the salary of the Clerk. He would circulate this prior to April's meeting for formal approval next month. **Action:** Cllr PF
- v. To approve the opening of a Council saving account at Cambridge Building Society for public open space (S106) funds.

- Resolved to approve with opening balance of £5000. **Action:** Clerk
- vi. To approve the annual renewal of Parish Online at £28.00 (& £5.60 VAT)

- Resolved to approve **Action:** Clerk

34 Correspondence

- i) Thanks from Village Hall committee for £521.80 allocation of S106 monies.
- ii) Report by local resident of destruction of bridleway gate post and barriers.
- iii) Latest DRAFT presentation from the Highways Agency on the A14 (circulated)
- iv) Resignation of the trustees of the Townlands Trust - The Clerk advised that he was in contact with the secretary of the trust in order to advise the Council on future appointments. **Action:** Clerk
- v) Timetable from PKF Littlejohn for 2013/14 External Audit. Deadline for submission: **9th June 2014.** **Action:** Clerk/RFO
- vi) Request for a A14 stakeholder meeting by Alan Hendry of Jacobs UK Ltd - The Chairman said this had been arranged for 20th March. He & the Clerk would attend, and report. **Action:** Clerk
- vii) Support requested for Planning permission for shed in churchyard - The Chairman reported that he had received an approach from St Peter & St Paul to help gain planning permission for a new shed before formal application. Its proposed position was the issue. Cllr Waters was asked to assist by speaking to the SCDC planning/conservation officer.
- viii) Email (circulated) and two letters from local residents on street lighting at the cul de sac end of High Street. Extracts were read aloud at the meeting. **Action:** Clerk - Letters to be circulated to Councillors; and to write to Cambs CC about road signage to highlight at High Street was not a through road.

35 Update on 2012/13 Action Priorities (*in italics below*)

- (i) To approve CACRE's invitation to update the housing needs survey. - Resolved to approve. Prop: Cllr IS Sec: Cllr DW. Four votes in favour; one against; one abstention. **Action:** Clerk
- *Provision of a recreation ground; Affordable housing, Developing and taking forward the objectives in the Village Plan*

Environmental issues

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- i To consider the Council's policy on the Stop BAD campaign.
 - Deferred.
- ii To consider funding an additional street lamp(s) - The Clerk advised that the latest information suggested that this would be approximately £1000 per new street lamp. However, gaining a new lamp would be dependent on Cambs CC meeting their quota within the Government contract. **Action:** Clerk to draft a briefing note for consideration in April having consulted Cambs CC.
- iii Northstowe Parish Forum and Northstowe Transport Working Group meetings.
 - The Clerk reported that dates of meetings were as follows should Councillors wish to attend:

Northstowe Parish Forum (usually held at Cottenham Village College in the Tony Cooper Suite starting at 7.00 pm):
 - 19th March, 16th April, May - TBC, 18th June, 16th July

Northstowe Transport Working Group (usually held in the Council Chamber at South Cambridgeshire Hall, Cambourne, starting at 6.00 pm):

- 5th May, 18th August, 17th November

iv Wheelchair access in Dry Drayton - Cllr Pryer raised concern about the state of pavements in the village. Pushing a wheelchair was extremely difficult, and gaining access to High Street via Queen's Passage was impossible. Cllr Russell commented that the surface of some of the footpaths in Dry Drayton was also poor causing her to risk walking on the road. It was agreed to review wheelchair access within the village as a whole and to return to this issue at a later date with a view to Cllr Pryer tabling a letter from the parish council to Cambs CC..

Action: Clerk for agenda

37 Planning

Noted SCDC approval of:

- i. S/2699/13/FL, 46 High St, Dry Drayton; and
- ii S/0117/14/FL Erection of a grainstore extension abutting existing grain stores at Scotland Farm.

38 Administration

- i To approve the draft Council publication scheme with, or without amendment.
- Resolved to approve the publication scheme as drafted.
Prop: Cllr DW Sec: IS. Unanimous. **Action:** Clerk to advertise the scheme.

39 Matters raised by Members, including items for next agenda

The meeting ended at 10pm.

Robert Stone, Parish Clerk