

Dry Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of Dry Drayton Parish Council meeting of Tuesday 18th November 2014 at 8.00pm in Dry Drayton Village Halls

Present: Cllrs: H Russell (Chairman), I. Harrison, D Wyatt, R Stamford and F Northrop;
District Councillors R Hall and B Waters; and four members of the public.

In attendance: Robert Stone (Parish Clerk & RFO)

Item	Agenda
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119 Apologies for absence – Cllr Sylvia Pryer

120 Declarations of interest relating to items on the agenda - None

121 Public Participation on agenda items & matters of mutual interest

County Councillor report – not received

District Councillor reports – received from Cllr Hall and circulated

Matters raised by members of the public

- Graham Carver spoke to the paper he circulated on automatic defibrillators. He was thanked for his helpful advice, and it was agreed to formally discuss at the next Council meeting following further research. **Action:** Clerk for agenda
- Tony Bowman attended to provide an update on the latest Hackers planning application. He confirmed that the WW1 museum “Lest we Forget” was now to be located at Hemingford Grey GC. The garden centre proposals had therefore been scaled back and would now only be 1200 square metres, and would include an orchard and tree nursery with a car park for 150 cars. The revised application had been submitted on 2nd October but had yet to go out on consultation.

122 To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 21st October 2014
– Resolved to approve, and signed and dated by the Chairman

123 Matters arising from previous meetings

Item 117(ii) - Bar Hill Golf Club on clearance of drainage ditches on Oakington Road. The Chairman reported he had had a helpful discussion with the General Manager of BHGC who was currently dealing with the aftermath of extensive damage at the golf club from the major flooding event in August. The Oakington Road drainage issue would be returned to at a later date.

Item 118 - Ongong problem with overhanging vegetation on Madingley Road - The Chairman said he would pursue this with Cambridgeshire CC.

124 **Finance**

- i) Payments approved to 18th November 2014

912	Clerk	Salary - November 2014	266.73	266.73	0
913	Cambs CC	Street lighting energy costs for SCDC street lamps** (<i>Clerk to check number of lamps, and charge per lamp.</i>)	238.75	238.75	0
915	DD Village Hall	Rent for October & November 2014	30.00	30.00	0
	Totals		535.48	535.48	

ii) The current bank account balance of £10,733.24 at 24th October 2104 was noted.

iii) To note the bank reconciliation at 24th October, and balance carried forward of £10,683.28.

iii) To consider grant applications from village organisations, including from St Peter & St Paul Church for clock and churchyard maintenance. **Action:** Clerk

- Resolved to approve a grant of £500 [Cheque 914] with a recommendation it be used for the maintenance of the church clock.
Action: Clerk

The Clerk advised that two further grant applications from village organisations may be received in January 2015.

125 Correspondence

- i) 2014 Parish Planning Forum at 6pm to 8.30pm on Monday 8th December.
 - Noted. No topics to be raised with SCDC. DDPC would not attend.
- ii) Local Government Boundary Commission - Electoral Review of Cambridgeshire – The Clerk advised that views were being sought across the county. The consultation exercise was noted.
- iii) Cambridgeshire Timebanking Conference of Monday 24th November 2014 - The Clerk reported that time banking is a growing concept of sharing time and skills within communities. Resolved not to pursue this scheme at present.

126 Planning

- (a) To consider any new planning applications, and receive update on Childerley Solar Farm proposal.
 - The Clerk reported that DDPC had not received any new applications for comment. He had asked the developer for the latest news on the proposed solar farm at Childerley but had received no response. SCDC had advised that the new Hackers application would be circulated for comment later in November

(b) Noted amendment to S/2201/14FL, Field House, 21 Park Street – Whilst the revised plan was available to see SCDC had already approved the application.

(c) To discuss damage to village green by contractors carrying out works at 21 Park Street. – The Chairman said he had visited the site, and was assured that the developer was taking care not to damage the green.

127 **Consideration of Environmental issues**

i) Street lights in Dry Drayton - to approve grant application to UK Power; and street light inventory – Resolved to work up the draft application into final form for approval by the Council. **Action:** Clerk & Cllr Northrop

The Clerk to advised that he liaised with Paul Quigley, SCDC's Head of Environment Commissioning about the street lamp in Queen's Passage and requested a site visit to discuss its poor condition.

ii) To receive an update on Dry Drayton's application to the County Council's 2014 Local Highway Improvement Initiative – Cllr Harrison said there was no news.

iii) To discuss Cambridge Constabulary's offer of Speedwatch training and option of buying/sharing speedwatch equipment. - Cllr Harrison advised that a number of the residents of Scotland Road had already received training. Training others was worth considering. Access to equipment remained a problem.
(Clerk – Following the meeting Graham Carver volunteered to attend training.)

iv) To discuss possible use of LED traffic speeding signs in Dry Drayton – The Clerk reported that he had researched signs and costings for two companies. Cllr Harrison agreed to convene a working group of Scotland Road residents with a view to putting one or more recommendations to DDPC if latest application to Local Highway Improvement Initiative was not successful.

v) To discuss recent flooding in Dry Drayton. - Reported on at Item 117(ii). Clearing the gullies on the Oakington Road and Park Street was still outstanding.

vi) To discuss recommendations arising from SCDC Cabinet and Parish Council Liaison Meeting of 8th October 2014 that parishes should:

- develop an emergency response plan, including a contact person in each parish;
- store a supply of sandbags in their village;
- maintain their local land drainage system; and
- map areas that were liable to flood.

The Clerk volunteered to produce an initial draft of the emergency plan following SCDC guidelines. **Action:** Clerk

vii) To discuss the temporary road for building works at Dry Drayton School.
- Resolved to monitor the works to ensure that the temporary road did not become permanent.

128 **Matters raised by Members, including items for next agenda**

It was agreed that a short meeting may be required in December should the revised Hackers planning application be received from SCDC for comment.

Robert Stone, Parish Clerk

