

FEN DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

8 MARCH 2016



Present

Harry Webster (chair), Judith Christie, Chris Gray, Richard Lewis, Ian Whitby
County councillor: Mandy Smith. District councillor: Nick Wright
Parish clerk: Gill Parrish
Members of the public: 0

PARISH COUNCIL OPEN FORUM

Opened at 19.30; closed at 19.30.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Opened at 19.30.

16/925. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from M Howell, J Isden and S Gyles.

16/926. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

R Lewis – item 16/934.

16/927. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

M Smith.

Council tax budget: the county council fixed a 2% increase, which roughly equates to £28 p/a on a Band D property.

Boundary review: Fen Drayton stays in the same electoral division, which will gain an additional three parishes, Boxworth, Caxton and Childerley, bringing the total number to 13. The county will be reduced to 63 councillors (from 69) in total.

Fen Drayton's LHI application for a lorry weight restriction was not successful. Cllr Smith suggested a 'village plan' for next year's application.

Gravel section of Holywell Ferry Road: Cllr Smith will chase up the regrading of the road surface.
N Wright.

S106 situation – Cllr Wright will check the current situation with Stephen Read. CIL will not come into effect until the Local Plan is ratified.

16/928. LOCAL CRIME/PCSO

The proposed new date for the Home Protection Clinic is 19 April. H Webster agreed to co-ordinate if nobody else is available as the clerk is away. The clerk will supply an advert to the Fen Drayton Focus and also put up posters in the village.

- **ACTION: clerk to liaise with the police and deal with advertising for the clinic.**

16/929. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

R Lewis, seconded by I Whitby, proposed the February minutes as correct. All in favour.

16/930. ACTIONS/UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

(16/909) The mower has been serviced and repaired by Ibbetts.

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(16/909) Coping stone in brook: H Webster still unable to contact Pat Matthews, so he will speak to the handyman about removing the coping stone from the brook.

(16/909) The new dog waste bin to replace damaged one by the pavilion has been delivered and will be put up this week.

(16/915) College Farm Court parking: C Gray met with Simeon Carroll from Highways and a representative of the College Farm Court residents committee. The courtyard is private property and the residents will sort out the parking issues amongst themselves.

16/931. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

2/3/16 Email report of The Joseph Ellis Foundation Trust AGM

2/3/16 A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Compound Strategy, PDFs of presentation - email from Highways England. Distributed to all councillors on 2/3/16

25/2/16 Email from a parishioner about strimming in the park.

16/932. VILLAGE LANDSCAPING/TREES/MAINTENANCE

Strimming around village hall: an email was received from a resident concerned about hedgehogs possibly being destroyed by strimming. The grass cutting contractors confirmed they only trim grass and not under hedges or into fallen leaves. The handyman does not trim either.

Tree works order for 1 Old Manor Farm Cottages: felling of conifer by Atlas. There were no objections to this work being carried out.

Litter along Mill Road has been reported to SCDC. The Shell garage itself is in Fenstanton and comes under the jurisdiction of Huntingdonshire DC.

16/933 PAVILION

H Webster has drawn up a plan for a new pavilion incorporating an entertainment suite, in order to attract other groups to use the facility. He will ask AA Taylor for an estimate for refurbishing in accordance with the plan. C Gray will discuss the plan with a representative of the Lions.

- **ACTION: H Webster to ask AA Taylor for an estimate.**
- **ACTION: C Gray to discuss plan with a Lions representative.**

16/934 PLANNING

New applications:

S/0326/16/FL Erection of two dwellings. 8 Mill Road. J Allen.

S/0364/16/FL Erection of one dwelling and garage. 28 Cootes Lane. J Hudson

S/0412/16/LD Lawful development certificate. Stubbins. R Lewis

Approved/no objections:

None

Refused:

S/3045/15/FL 1B High Street. Erection of fence.

SCDC decision notices:

S/2237/15/FL 24 Oaktree Road – new build dwelling. APPROVED

S/3045/15/FL 1B High Street. Erection of fence. REFUSED

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16/935. FINANCES

S106 money due in respect of S/1764/12/FL (£4258.90 in lieu of onsite provision of public open space, and £703.84 towards the offsite provision of community facility space).

Invoice sent to Swavesey Spartans for £200.

FEBRUARY RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS (business account)

<i>Business account</i>	<i>Chq no</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Payments</i>	<i>VAT</i>
Arthur Ibbett (mower)	1332		128.00	Y
Cambridgeshire CC (street lighting)	1333		672.34	
Handyman (February)	1334		321.99	
Clerk (February)	1335		201.68	
Clerk expenses (Nov-March)	1336		72.58	

- Business account balance £10660.03
- S106 account balance = £4937.06
- Town Lands account balance = £7688.11

C Gray, seconded by R Lewis, proposed the February expenditure as correct.

Meeting closed at 21.00.

Next meeting 12 April 2016.

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