

# FEN DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

12 APRIL 2016



## Present

Harry Webster (chair), Chris Gray, Sue Gyles, Jackie Isden, Richard Lewis,  
County councillor: Mandy Smith.  
Parish clerk: Gill Parrish  
Members of the public: 3

## PARISH COUNCIL OPEN FORUM

*Opened at 19.32.*

Two residents expressed concern about traffic levels through the village, especially during incidents on the A14 and when the upgrade commences and the impact of new housing developments in Swavesey and Fenstanton on the amount of through traffic. They were also concerned about the Ivy Nurseries development in Fenstanton, as it will mean houses will be built right up to the Fen Drayton parish boundary.

Another resident expressed concern about the wheelchair access to the village hall and the height of dog waste bins. See item 16/943.

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

*Opened at 19.30.*

### **16/936. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Received from I Whitby and J Christie.

### **16/937. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

R Lewis – item 16/946.

### **16/938. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

*M Smith.*

*Northstowe Community Forum:* the next session will be held on 20 April at Longstanton Village Institute from 7-9 pm. Highways England will be giving an update on the A14 upgrade and county and district councillors will also be present.

*Boundary review:* This is going back into consultation due to complaints about the process. The date for final recommendations is now 6 September 2016. The county will be reduced from 69 to 61 councillors.

*Gravel section of Holywell Ferry Road:* Cllr Smith will chase up the regrading of the surface again.

*Lorry weight restrictions:* HCV policy is under review, so getting a restriction imposed may be easier next year. The parish council could try to implement this itself at an estimated cost £3,500-£4,000 (to cover legal and planning costs and signage).

*Busway lighting:* the motion-sensitive lights at the Fen Drayton bus stop have been stolen again. Awaiting replacements.

### **16/939. LOCAL CRIME/PCSO**

Between 27/03/2016 and 28/03/2016 Audi A3 and Peugeot 308 broken into in Vermuyden Way. A satnav, wallet and money were stolen.

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On 28/03/2016 Toyota Hilux broken into while parked at Fen Drayton Lakes and a handbag (left in foot well) was stolen.

A home protection clinic took place in the village hall on 12/4/16. Three people attended.

## **16/940. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

R Lewis, seconded by C Gray, proposed the February minutes as correct. All in favour.

## **16/941. ACTIONS/UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

(16/928) Home Protection Clinic on 12/4 advertising was placed in the Fen Drayton Focus and on the village notice board and website.

(16/933) Pavilion estimate – unable to contact AA Taylor as yet as he is working away.

(16/933) Discussion with Lions – in hand pending estimate.

- **ACTION: H Webster to obtain an estimate from AA Taylor.**

## **16/942. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

1. 13/3 email: Rosary triangle and Ivy Nurseries housing development
2. 29/4 email: traffic signs
3. 29/3 email: offer of help with defibrillator/CPR training
4. 6/4 email: copy of A14 March 2016 Forum Presentation (distributed on 7/4).

## **16/943. VILLAGE LANDSCAPING/TREES/MAINTENANCE**

Planters for the benches in The Plantation: J Isden will get prices for two in the first instance.

Bench for bus shelter. J Isden will look into the cost of installing a perch bench.

Cootes Lane/Vermuyden Way corner landscaping: a Cootes Lane resident has requested that the tree on this patch of ground that overhangs his garden be taken back. J Isden to look into this.

Benches for the park area near the playground: J Isden will canvass opinion and look into costs for supplying more benches for this area.

Two dog waste bins to be lowered by the handyman to make accessible for wheelchair users.

Wheelchair access to the village hall needs to be updated to accommodate modern wheelchairs.

J Isden to look into this.

- **ACTION: J Isden to look into the tree overhanging the Cootes Lane garden.**
- **ACTION: J Isden to investigate putting benches near the playground and a perch bench for the bus shelter.**
- **ACTION: Clerk to ask the handyman to lower two dog waste bins.**
- **ACTION: J Isden to look into improving wheelchair access to the village hall.**

## **16/944. QUEEN'S 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL**

It was decided that the council would not purchase any medals.

## **16/945. DEFIBRILLATOR & TRAINING**

Still waiting for defibrillators to become available. Move to next month's agenda.

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## 16/946 PLANNING

### New applications:

None

### Approved/no objections:

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

S/0468/16/FL Stubbins, new internal generator. R Lewis

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

### Refused:

None

### SCDC decision notices:

S/3045/15/FL 54 Park Lane Change of use. REFUSED

## 16/935. FINANCES

S106 money received 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 J Johnson for Lady Day Town Lands rent.

### MARCH RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS (business account)

<i>Business account</i>	<i>Chq no</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Payments</i>	<i>VAT</i>
Handyman (March)	1337		217.99	
Village Hall (Jan-Mar)	1338		82.50	
Clerk (March)	1339		299.56	
HMRC (Jan-Apr)	1340		237.00	
Cambridgeshire ACRE (Jan-Mar)	1341		36.00	Y

- Business account balance £16655.54 (inc £5683.82 to be transferred to S106)
- S106 account balance = £4937.06
- Town Lands account balance = £7688.11
- Cambridge B/S = £7,600.00
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C Gray, seconded by S Gyles, proposed the March expenditure as correct.

**Meeting closed** at 21.30.

**Next meeting** 17 May 2016.

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