

Present

Jackie Isden (chair), Roger Davies, Chris Gray, Sue Gyles, Matt Newman.
Parish clerk: Gill Parrish. Members of public: 0

PARISH COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING

Opened at 19.32

21/104 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

P Kiss, M Smith, J Weeden.

21/105 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

21/106 COUNCILLORS' DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE

All members present signed a declaration of acceptance, which were countersigned by the clerk.

21/107 JUNE MEETING MINUTES

RESOLVED: the June minutes were proposed, seconded and unanimously approved as correct with no amendments and signed by the chair.

21/108 PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

Opened and closed at 19.37 as there were no participants.

21/109 COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND POLICE

21/109/1 County councillor's report:

Highways: pothole repairs are now being marked out in Fen Drayton.

21/109/2 District councillor's report:

Affordable housing scheme: Cllr Ellington has chased the planning department and is waiting for an update.

21/109/3 Crime reports: none

21/110 UPDATES/ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS *(or see agenda item).*

(20/115) Mill Road speed limit – no further update yet.

(21/015) Zipwire cable fixing by Caloo – is due to be done on 29 July.

(21/029) Flood defences: M Newman volunteered to help with the village flood defence plan.

J Weeden and J Isden attended two CCC webinars: CCC has a flood defence plan template and will also help with putting a plan together. If the plan is accepted by the EA the PC could get a grant of £1,500 to help with flood events.

(21/078/3) CCC has ordered Cootes Lane drains work.

(21/061) New community warden update: Rachael has picked up from where Maria left off and is settling into her role. Age UK submitted her profile for the Fen Drayton Focus August/September issue. The PC is considering doing a leaflet drop to promote her services to complement the magazine content. Rachael will also visit the community cafe when it reopens.

21/111 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

111/1 CCC summer holiday scheme: an advert was put on Facebook, PC website and in the village magazine.

21/112 VILLAGE MATTERS AND MAINTENANCE

112/1 Coffee van: Cool Beans had it's first session on Wednesday 7 July. M Newman suggested charging rent. The PC will monitor the take-up of the service.

112/2 Grass cutting: RHL has been asked to mow the floodbank in the recreation ground and also cut along the top as far as the boundary with Daintrees Farm.

112/3 Pumping station: the problem with the sewage pumping station has finally been identified. It reported that the pumps, although working flat out, were not big enough to cope with the volume of water during the recent floods. Anglian Water is investigating the possibility of installing a new pump.

112/4 Clearing the brook alongside Daintrees Road: Sid Barnett's quote has been accepted and the work given the go ahead. It will be done around the end of August when the ground is drier. SCDC has asked the PC to contact the owner of the field to the north of the recreation ground to request the drain in the field is cleared as far as Oxholme Bridge.

112/5 Care of new trees in village hall field: the trees planted by the primary school need to be mulched with wood chippings. J Isden will ask P Kiss to arrange with the school – it is possibly something the children can do at the start of the autumn term.

112/6 **RESOLVED** Council members unanimously approved Atlas's quotation of £360 + VAT to remove the dead elm tree in the village hall car park and clear vegetation, crown lift the lime and yew and level the ground beneath. This could potentially create more car parking spaces.

21/113 MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING (POST COVID) PROJECT

The parish council is unable to apply for a Community Chest grant for the project. S Gyles will liaise with Tracey Colton-Weir, who could apply for a Community Chest, Cultivate and Innovate, or other grant. **ACTION**

21/114 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

New applications:

21/02133/HFUL 17 The Rosary Single storey rear extension

SCDC decisions: none

21/115 FINANCE

The chair thanked R Davies for preparing the quarterly YTD and budget review. Both income and expenditure are on track.

June receipts and payments

<i>Business account</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Payments</i>	<i>VAT</i>
Opus Energy	Street lighting		74.34	Y
Arthur Ibbett	Mower parts		40.01	Y
Eon	Pavilion electricity		64.08	Y
G Parrish	June pay		448.02	
HMRC	Payroll liability		324.40	
Red Shoes	Payroll service		45.00	Y
RH Landscapes	Grass cutting		484.80	Y
SLCC	Annual subscription		112.00	

FEN DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

19 JULY 2021

Account balances (as at 12/07/2021)

- Business account = £23517.96
- S106 account = £409.35
- Town Lands account = £27,717.38
- Cambridge B/S = £13,600.00

21/116 MEETINGS

115/1 Owing to the village hall being fully booked on Monday nights from September, the PC will hold meetings in the committee room on the third Tuesday of the month from September to the end of the year.

115/2 Next meetings (no meetings are held in August or December):

21 September 2021

19 October 2021

16 November 2021

Meeting closed at 21.10.