

FEN DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

11 JULY 2017



Present

Jackie Isden (chair), Judith Christie, Chris Gray, Richard Lewis, Ian Whitby
Parish clerk: Gill Parrish
Members of the public: 2

PARISH COUNCIL OPEN FORUM

Opened at 19.30

Members of the Wilderspin family, concerning the memorial bench for George Wilderspin (item 17/1103)

A member of the 10K/Fun Run committee outlined complaints from a villager who wants the 10K to be rerouted. The 10K committee does not wish to upset any residents, but a reroute is not possible, as runners cannot cross the guided busway. The committee will write to the complainant explaining the importance of the funds raised from the event for the village school and try to find a solution to the concerns that the resident has.

Closed at 20.00

PARISH COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING

Opened at 20.00

16/1109 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE S Gyles, H Webster, M Howell

16/1110 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

16/1120 J Christie on PCC committee

16/1111 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Mandy Smith, county councillor Whippet Coaches: are cutting many bus services, but none going through the village.

Cycle path to busway: Cllr Smith is meeting with the responsible officer on 17 July for an update.

Traffic calming/LHI funding: Cllr Smith advised contacting Andy Preston (she will email contact details to the clerk).

Nick Wright, district councillor Notice, posted anonymously, after the village meeting: Cllr Wright responded to each point made by him at the village meeting. He will put his contact details, asking anyone with concerns to contact him direct, in the next issue of the Fen Drayton Focus.

The wall at Mill Pond: a resident has expressed concern about the state of the wall at the old turning area in the brook. Cllr Wright advised the resident to contact the conservation officer at SCDC Planning.

17/1112 LOCAL CRIME/PCSO

No crimes reported in Fen Drayton.

16/1113 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

That the chair sign the June minutes as a correct record, with no amendments, was proposed, seconded and unanimously approved. (CG/IW)

16/1114 ACTIONS/UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

16/1070 The EAAA/Salvation Army clothing bank is now in situ at the village hall. The PC will monitor its impact on the school's Bank 2 School fundraising.

16/1115 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

3/7 A letter from a villager re litter from Shell Garage and unsanitary waste left behind by lorry drivers parking on the verge. Broken shower in pavilion (see 16/1117).

6/7 Letters from Richard Close (attached in an email) about HGV traffic through village.

Two applications received for the councillor vacancies. In hand with H Webster.

Email from a resident about the state of a tree overhanging the village hall entrance (see 17/1117).

17/1116 GEORGE WILDERSPIN MEMORIAL BENCH

The Wilderspin family wish to pay for the bench itself and the parish council will pay for the base. J Isden will obtain a quotation for the base. Clerk to email details of the picnic bench base costs to J Isden.

That the parish council pays for the bench base (subject to a suitable quotation) was proposed, seconded and unanimously approved. (RI/JC)

- **ACTION: J Isden to obtain a quotation for the bench base.**

16/1117 VILLAGE MAINTENANCE/ & TREE SAFETY

Clerk has reported litter from Shell Garage to Hunts CC and complained about HGVs parking on the verge at the end of Mill Road (see correspondence).

Letters have been sent to Hall Court management and to 4 and 27 Cootes Lane re hedges overgrowing the pavement/cycle path.

Dead tree near village hall entrance: J Isden to ask Atlas to survey as soon as possible.

Quotation from AATaylor for replacing a shower in pavilion = £253.00.

Accepting the quotation was proposed, seconded and unanimously approved. (IW/CG)

A villager has queried why four trees in the park, near Park Lane, have been coppiced.

- **ACTION: J Isden to arrange for Atlas to survey dead tree**
- **ACTION: Clerk to establish who owns the coppiced trees in the park**

17/1118 MATTERS ARISING FROM VILLAGE MEETING

Complaints about traffic through the village: a resident is looking at obtaining a grant from the A14 community fund to pay for traffic calming/HGV restrictions.

17/1119 AFFORDABLE HOUSING & RECREATION EQUIPMENT

Affordable housing: J Isden reported on the Affordable Housing Mythbuster Tour. BHPA has agreed to sponsor Fen Drayton's housing needs survey in September.

Recreation equipment: J Isden looked at two items from Caloo for older village children: a Triple Access C and outdoor table tennis. The cost for both + a SUDS floor would be around £15K.

This could be funded from the S106/Town Lands funds.

That the parish council goes ahead and requests a quotation from Caloo was proposed, seconded and unanimously approved. (CG/JC)

- **ACTION: J Isden to obtain a quotation from Caloo.**

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17/1120 COMMUNITY CAFE

A parish council/PCC sub-committee will look at joint-funding a community cafe in the village hall and St Mary's church, once the church has toilet facilities. The sub-committee members will comprise J Isden, J Christie and C Gray plus S Gyles (TBC as currently on holiday).

17/1121 NEW VILLAGE NOTICE BOARD

A Community Chest grant of £1000 has been granted towards the new board.

- **ACTION: Clerk to progress purchase and installation of new board.**

17/1122 PLANNING

New applications:

S/2128/17/FL New dwelling and garage, r/o 40A Middleton Way

S/2029/17/VC Variation of condition on S/2020/14/FL. 29 Cootes Lane

Approved/no objections by PC:

S/2128/17/FL New dwelling and garage, r/o 40A Middleton Way

S/2029/17/VC Variation of condition on S/2020/14/FL, 29 Cootes Lane

Refused: none

SCDC decision notices: none

17/1123 FINANCES

The PCC thanked the PC for its donation to St Mary's Church.

JUNE RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

<i>Business account</i>	<i>Chq no</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Payments</i>	<i>VAT</i>
Cambs Acre (payroll services)			41.40	Y
eon			43.90	Y
Clerk June salary			220.38	
Handyman June			426.00	
Fen Drayton Village Hall			46.50	
St Mary's Church donation	1390		250.00	

- Business account balance £15502.90
- S106 account balance = £10620.88
- Town Lands account balance = £9855.13
- Cambridge B/S = £7,600.00

That the June receipts and payments are correct was proposed, seconded and unanimously approved. (JI/JC)

Meeting closed at 21.25. Next meeting 13 September, 19.30 in the village hall.