

FEN DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

16 MAY 2017



Present

Harry Webster (chair), Judith Christie, Chris Gray, Sue Gyles, Jackie Isden.
Parish clerk: Gill Parrish Members of the public: 0

PARISH COUNCIL OPEN FORUM

Opened and closed at 19:30 as no members of the public were present.

PARISH COUNCIL AGM

17/1079 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

That H Webster be elected chair was proposed, seconded and unanimously approved. (CG/SG)
H Webster accepted.

That J Isden be elected vice chair was proposed, seconded and unanimously approved.
(CG/SG) J Isden accepted.

17/1080 COUNCILLORS' DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE

All members present signed declarations of acceptance of office.

17/1081 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The chair and the clerk signed the annual governance statement.

17/1082 2016-7 ACCOUNTS

The accounts were signed by the chairman as being a true and accurate record of the monies spent and received by Fen Drayton Parish Council in the financial year 2016-7. *Proposed, seconded and unanimously approved.*

PARISH COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING

Opened at 19:30

16/1083 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE R Lewis, I Whitby, M Smith

16/1025 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS None

16/1085 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

There were no councillors present.

16/1086 LOCAL CRIME/PCSO

E-cops: There has been one theft of a cycle from the Fen Drayton Lakes guided bus stop. To register for e-cops local crime updates visit: <https://www.cambs.police.uk/ecops/>

16/1087 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

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

16/1088 ACTIONS/UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

(16/1058) Second notice board update. The clerk is looking for a different supplier as the original one has failed to supply a written quotation as promised.

(16/1058) Bowls club lease renewal: H Webster and J Christie met with members of the bowls club committee. H Webster and J Christie will progress the drafting of the new lease.

(16/1070) EAAA/Salvation Army clothing bank scheme. The Salvation Army will survey the site and get back to the clerk with its terms. The school is concerned that this would have a detrimental affect on their own fundraising, so this will be taken into consideration.

(17/1073) George Wilderspin memorial. The Wilderspin family has provided wording for a plaque for a bench in the park, near the village hall. C Gray will continue to liaise with the family over the choice of bench.

(17/1074) Community projects update: community café. S Gyles has contacted organisers of community cafes in Wisbech St Mary, Kimbolton, Little Downham and Newton and has arranged fact-finding visits to each, accompanied by another parish councillor.

Timebanking. C Gray will contact Lucy Bird of the Somersham & Pidley Time Bank to invite her to give a presentation at the village meeting.

(17/1076) Housing needs survey (see 17/1093)

16/1089 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

09/05: Email from a fitness instructor setting up a fitness boot camp in the village. The council members agreed this sounds interesting, as it will benefit residents. The clerk will ask for more details.

- **ACTION: Clerk to ask for more information about the boot camp.**

16/1090 VILLAGE MAINTENANCE/HANDYMAN

The path behind the tree island at the rear of the playing field is too overgrown to deal now. The handyman will cut it back in autumn.

CGM has missed cutting the fenced play area behind the village hall.

- **ACTION: Clerk to ask CGM to cut the play area.**

17/1091 INSURANCE RENEWAL

Accepting Came & Co's three-year insurance agreement of £571.62 pa (to 31 May 2020) was proposed, seconded and unanimously approved. (CG/JI)

- **ACTION: clerk to progress the three-year agreement with Came & Co.**

17/1092 AFFORDABLE HOUSING

J Isden has been in contact with Mark Deas (rural housing enabler for Cambridgeshire ACRE) who is currently looking for a partner (ideally a housing association with a presence in the village already). Mark has accepted an invitation to give a presentation at the village meeting.

17/1093 VILLAGE MEETING – 19 JUNE

Confirmed speakers: District councillor Mark Howell (who will introduce Sue Ellington).

RSPB Fen Drayton Lakes – recent and future developments; affordable housing - Mark Deas (Cambridgeshire Acre), chairman's report, reports on community projects by council members.

Still unconfirmed: police and a speaker on the A14 upgrade.

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An advert has been put in the June/July edition of Fen Drayton Focus and a leaflet drop to all household will take place a week or so before the meeting. Clerk to order printed flyers. J Christie will purchase refreshments for the interval.

- **ACTION: clerk to order printed invitation flyers.**
- **ACTION: H Webster to draft a delivery rota.**
- **ACTION: J Christie to purchase interval refreshments.**

17/1094 PLANNING

New applications:

None.

Approved/no objections (by PC):

None.

Refused:

None.

SCDC decision notices:

10/5/2017: S/3355/16/FL 56 Cootes Lane, two-storey side and rear extension. GRANTED.

17/1095 FINANCES

APRIL RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

<i>Business account</i>	<i>Chq no</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Payments</i>	<i>VAT</i>
Arthur Ibbett (Stihl Kombi)			567.10	Y
Cambs ACRE (payroll services)			41.40	Y
Clerk - March salary			299.33	
HMRC (6/1/17 to 5/4/17)			199.60	
Handyman - March			530.00	
CGM (invoice 204710)			195.60	Y
Atlas (invoice 5326)			60.00	Y
South Cambs DC/Precept A		10000.00		
Sid Barnett (hedge cutting	1389		480.00	Y

- Business account balance £14731.72
- S106 account balance = £10620.88
- Town Lands account balance = £9855.13
- Cambridge B/S = £7,600.00

That the April receipts and payments are correct was proposed, seconded and unanimously approved.

Meeting closed at 22.0. Next general meeting 11 July, 19.30 in the village hall.

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