

## Present at e-meeting

Jackie Isden (chair), Roger Davies, Chris Gray, Sue Gyles, Sarah Newport, Mandy Smith, Paul Pinner, James Weeden.

County councillor: Mandy Smith; District Councillor: Sue Ellington.

Parish clerk: Gill Parrish. Members of public: one (observing).

## PARISH COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING

*Opened at 19.30 via Zoom.*

**21/021 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** None.

**21/022 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** None.

**21/023 PUBLIC OPEN FORUM** Opened and closed at 19.30 as there were no participants.

### 21/024 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

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

### 21/025 COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND POLICE

025.1 *County councillor's report:*

**Mill Road 40 mph speed limit** – there were no objections following the advert in the press and two messages of support for the 40 speed limit.

**Greenways cycle path to busway** – M Smith is setting up a Zoom meeting with Highways to discuss the road surface issue.

**Damage to pavements by recent floods** – Highways have done some repairs but not all the High Street. M Smith has chased.

**Recent flooding** – Brian Heffernan (CCC) will set up a meeting to look at long-term solutions with SCDC, EA and AW. EA has agreed to meet up.

025.2 *District councillor's report:*

**Grant money** – SCDC grant committee has about £54K available and are planning a one-off payment to help communities recover from Covid. There will also be another eco grant offer this summer and the committee is meeting on Friday to look at the criteria for this.

**Flooding** – balancing ponds along the A14 near Conington were not full during the flood. Are they working properly? Sue will ask Highways when they meet.

025.3 *Police matters/crime reports* – none received, but a trailer was stolen from Horse and Gate Street last week.

### 21/026 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

1. Emails from residents of Daintrees Road concerning floodwater.
2. Email from a resident re damage to the grass verges at Honey Hill corner.
3. Email from Fen Drayton Focus thanking the PC for its donation.
4. Email from residents about the litter along Huntingdon Road near Bannolds.

## 21/027 COMMUNITY WARDEN

The first quarterly meeting with Fenstanton, Lolworth and Age UK took place on 3 February.

Minutes were circulated to PC. Maria is completing her training sourcing people who need her help, including contacting local GP surgeries and pharmacies. Adverts are on the village noticeboards and in Fen Drayton Focus, and a mailshot. C Gray to ask the football club about mailing the Lions Christmas lunch list. ACTION (CG). Sue Ellington has ordered copies of a new warden leaflet, which she will distribute to the PC.

## 21/028 COMMUNITY FLOOD PLAN

1. J Weeden agreed to chair and form a flood plan committee. ACTION (JW)
2. A date for the next meeting will be set after looking at the plan.

## 21/029 FLOODING ALONG HIGH STREET

1. Emails received from residents in Daintrees Road unhappy about the length of time the floodwater has remained at the junction with the High Street and with concerns about sewage in the water. J Isden has spoken with AW about the pumping station but been given conflicting information. She is still waiting to be contacted back by AW and will request a written report on the state of the pumping station. If no response she will escalate to the CEO. Sue Ellington reported that Swavesey has had problems with overflowing sewers too and AW isn't responding well to Swavesey PC.
2. J Isden is waiting for a quotation for clearing out the Daintrees Road ditch. Lee Hillam to look at clearing Oxholme drain and CCC to clear the storm drains.
3. A meeting being set up by BH (CCC) with SCDC, EA, AW and FDPC to look at long-term solutions. There was also a problem with people from outside the village driving 4x4 vehicles at speed through the floodwater and on pavements. Highways advised it isn't possible to close the High Street, as so many residents and delivery drivers/tradespeople require access. Signs saying 'no access to Holywell Ferry Road', or 'residents only' were suggested, also positioning of flood diversion signs to be changed. J Weeden to discuss with our Local Highways Officer. ACTION (JW)

## 21/030 VILLAGE MATTERS AND MAINTENANCE

1. Litter along Huntingdon Road near Bannolds. Reported to SCDC on 8/2/21. Since then a group of residents liaised with SCDC and litterpicked at the weekend and filled 30 bags with rubbish, which SCDC will collect. The chair thanked the group for its amazing effort.
2. Road closure: 25/2-12/3. Cambridge Road between Honey Hill and A1307 for work on the non-motorised user path between Huntingdon and Cambridge. Clerk to check that Rose and Crown Road is not going to be closed during this time. ACTION (clerk)
3. *(Not on agenda due to late receipt)*. A resident raised concerns about a water pipe under the village hall field where new trees were planted last November. J Isden will contact Cambridge Water for advice. ACTION (JI)

## 21/031 UPDATES/ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS *(or see agenda item)*.

- (20/115) Mill Road speed limit – update see 025/1.  
(20/128/6 Men's Shed scheme – S Gyles not heard back so will follow up. ACTION (SG)  
(21/015) Playground report: investigation by Caloo: no update. J Isden will chase. ACTION (JI)  
(21/014) Plantation benches – antisocial behaviour is being monitored before further decisions.  
(21.015.2) P Pinner moved trees from the floodbank to the back corner of the recreation ground.  
(21.015.3) Tree policy draft – still in progress. ACTION (clerk)

# FEN DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

15 FEBRUARY 2021



(21/012) Millennium clock – clerk to provide photos of the inside wiring for the electrician.  
ACTION (clerk)

## 21/032 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### New applications

**20/05286/FUL** 27 Cootes Lane, Fen Drayton

Erection of dwelling off Mill Road.

STATUS Awaiting decision.

**20/05369/FUL** 4 Cootes Lane, Fen Drayton

2 x 2-bed semi-detached dwelling and new access to existing property.

STATUS Awaiting decision

## 21/033 FINANCES

2021/22 precept request submitted and acknowledged by SCDC.

Paperless statements: no mention on website. Clerk to call Lloyds Bank. ACTION (clerk)

### January Receipts & Payments

| <i>Business account</i> | <i>Description</i>     | <i>Receipts</i> | <i>Payments</i> | <i>VAT</i> |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| C Burns                 | December invoice       |                 | 300.00          |            |
| RH Landscapes           | October grass cut      |                 | 242.40          | Y          |
| RH Landscapes           | Verge cut              |                 | 330.00          | Y          |
| Xfer to Town Lands a/c  | SCDC Covid grant       |                 | 200.00          |            |
| Fen Drayton Focus       | Donation               |                 | 300.00          |            |
| Opus Energy             | Street lighting energy |                 | 104.48          | Y          |
| G Parrish               | January pay            |                 | 433.22          |            |
| G Parrish               | Clerk admin exps       |                 | 67.17           | Y          |
| C Burns                 | January invoice        |                 | 240.00          |            |
| Bannold                 | Sand for sandbags      |                 | 42.00           | Y          |

**RESOLVED:** council members unanimously approved the January receipts and payments.

### Account balances (as at 09/02/2021)

- Business account = £18,170.07
- S106 account = £2,386.24
- Town Lands account = £26,657.10
- Cambridge B/S = £13,600.00
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## 21/034 2021 MEETING DATES

1. NALC has advised that meetings should continue to be held remotely until further notice.
2. Next meeting: 15 March 2021, 19.30 via Zoom.

Meeting closed at 20.43