

CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

A meeting of this Council was held at The Hub Community Centre, Cambourne on Tuesday 5th August 2014

Present:

Cllr S Crocker (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs L Doidge
Cllr T Hudson
Cllr C McPhie

Cllr Dr G Mehboob Cllr J O'Dwyer Cllr J Patel Cllr Mrs R Poulton

In attendance: John Vickery Parish Clerk

Liz Pinchen Deputy Parish Clerk

4 members of the Public were in attendance for the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr P Gavigan, Cllr S Masters, Cllr Mrs L Selway, Cllr Dr S Smith and Cllr Mrs P Vaughan.

It was:

RESOLVED that the apologies for absence from Cllr P Gavigan, Cllr S Masters, Cllr Mrs L Selway, Cllr Dr S Smith and Cllr Mrs P Vaughan be approved.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was:

RESOLVED that the minutes of Council Meeting M125 held on 1st July 2014 were confirmed as correct and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST OR REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION for items on the agenda.

There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

4. POLICE MATTERS

PSCO David Jackson was in attendance.

PCSO Jackson had sent a report prior to the meeting and this had been circulated (report attached).

PCSO Jackson reported that since the report had been circulated that had been an incident of a burglary in Hardwick whereby car keys were taken as they had been left in plain view. This is something that all residents need to be aware of and to place keys in where they are hidden from view.

PCSO Jackson also reported that lorries have been using Morrisons' car park. These are foreign transport lorries and not construction vehicles. He will be speaking to the manager at Morrisons regarding the issue.

PCSO Jackson is aware of the issues regarding youths congregating and littering on Crow Hill and there will be patrols in the area on Thursday and Friday evenings and bin bags will be taken to the area to be given to the youths. This strategy has worked well in the past at the Caxton underpass.

Concern was raised regarding a motorcycle school using the residential roads for training. PCSO Jackson advised contacting the school directly to express the concerns.

There is an on-going prosecution relating to drug offences on Great Cambourne Green.

The Chairman thanked PCSO Jackson for his attendance.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There is to be an open day at Bourn Airfield on 24th August 2014 which will include a flypast by two Lancaster Bombers at 2.45pm.
- Regarding the litter issues on Crow Hill the Chairman paid tribute to Jordan Hardwidge, who had written an articulate response to the criticism aimed at the youth of Cambourne on the Cambourne Information Facebook page. It was agreed to invite Jordan to attend the September Leisure & Amenities to discuss the issues.

6. HEALTHCARE IN CAMBOURNE

Dr Jackie Koo, Partner, and Jennifer Moyes, Practice Manager, Monkfield Medical Practice were in attendance for this item. Apologies had been received from Ian Burns for being unable to attend the meeting.

Jennifer Moyes reported that the reconfiguration of the space inside Sackville House has freed up space to create more consulting rooms, has enabled community services such as the District nurses to be housed in one space and that better use can be made of under-utilised rooms.

The way GP practices are funded is being changed and as a result of this change Monkfield Medical Practice will stand to lose 50% of its funding; a cut of approximately £440,000. As of the 1st of July the practice has 9569 registered patients but their weighted list size (calculated using the Carr Hill formula) was 6955.93. The weighting is geared to older populations but the breakdown of patients at Monkfield Medical Practice is as follows:

Over 75 years of age - 206

65 - 74 years of age -239

Under 65 years of age - 9124

Cambourne does not fit the standard demographic profile with a much higher paediatrics need than a standard population with 3 midwife clinics and 3 baby immunisation clinics per week.

The Practice, along with other local practices, has met with Guy Watkins, Chairman of the Cambridgeshire Local Medical Committee (LMC) to seek help in applying for exceptional funding.

At present there is no funding for any additional staff but the rooms, including the existing ones, all have to meet Care Quality Commission standards. It was suggested that using the additional rooms to create extra revenue streams should be investigated.

There has been some negative press regarding the medical practice and there is concern that this will adversely affect the bid for exceptional funding. A patient participation group has been set up to start engaging with patients more and the first meeting proved to be a positive experience. There is also a national petition against the cuts in funding to GP services. The Practice requested the help of the Parish council in promoting the petition to residents and in creating positivity regarding the Practice within the community as it is believed this will help the bid for exceptional funding.

The Council acknowledged that the general consensus of opinion is that the standard of medical care provided by Monkfield Medical Practice is excellent.

The Chairman thanked Dr Jackie Koo and Jennifer Moyes for their attendance.

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the report and that any suggestion for way in which the Council can support the Medical Practice be forwarded to the Parish Clerk and that a letter supporting the Practice's bid for exceptional funding be written.

7. RESIDENTS CORRESPONDENCE

No Residents Correspondence had been received.

10. DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

It was agreed to bring this item forward on the agenda as District Cllr David Morgan was in attendance.

Cllr Morgan gave apologies from District Cllr Alison Elcox.

Cllr Morgan reported on the following:

- Caxton Parish Council are concerned that people are walking along the dual carriageway in order to access McDonalds at Caxton Gibbett and that there is no footpath from Cambourne to the site. A meeting has been held with McDonalds who are now employing 101 staff and it was suggested that McDonalds provide a mini bus service to the surrounding villages.
- The July meeting at the District Council had been cancelled.
- Cllr Morgan has been pursuing County Cllr Mervyn Loynes regarding the Broad Street Junction but as yet had no response.
- Leaflets advertising the DRT have not been given to Cambourne and therefore it has not been sufficiently publicised.

It was:

Resolved that the report be received.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Planning Committee - report from 1st July 2014 PLN M203 and 22nd July 2014 PLN M204.

It was:

Resolved that the Planning Committee report for 1st July 2014 and 22nd June Signed

Date 2nd September 2014

2014 be received.

8.2 Finance & Policy Committee – report from 22nd July 2014 FIN M57

It was:

Resolved that the recommendation contained in the Finance & Policy Committee report for 22nd July 2014 that in future Grant Applications are only considered twice a year at full Council meetings in March and September be approved.

9. COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

No County Councillor was present.

The Parish Clerk reported that a letter regarding the persistent absence of Cllr Loynes had been written to Stephen Frost, election agent for South Cambridgeshire Conservative Association, but that no response had been received.

It was:

Resolved that a letter be written to regarding the lack of attendance and the lack of any explanation for the lack of attendance by Cllr Loynes.

11. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

11.1 Schedule of Payments

Queries raised were clarified by the Parish Clerk.

It was:

Resolved that the schedule of payments be received and the payments approved.

11.2 Current Financial Statement

The Parish Clerk reported that spending is inline with expectations. Queries raised were answered by the Parish Clerk.

It was:

Resolved that the report on the Finance Spreadsheet as at 30/07/14 be received

11.3 Bank Reconciliation

The Parish Clerk reported that Cllr J O'Dwyer has been carrying out checks on the Bank Reconciliation.

It was:

Resolved that the report be received and the bank reconciliation at 1st July 2014 be received and approved.

12. ELECTORAL REVIEW OF CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Parish Clerk reported that no action was needed at present as a Consultation on proposals will be carried out by the Boundary Commission for England later in the year.

It was:

Resolved that the report be received.

13. LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATIONS

The Parish Clerk reported that there is a pre hearing meeting for the Local Plan Examination, to be held on the 11th September 2014. The meeting will focus on the procedures for the examination of the South Cambridgeshire and Cambridge City Submission Local Plans.

It was:

Resolved that the submission be received and that District Cllr David Morgan would attend the meeting and report back to the Council.

14. UC11 INDEMNITIESFOR S106 FUNDING

The Parish Clerk reported that the Indemnities for s106 monies for UC11are required to be signed by the Chairman and Vice Chairman. It is intended to use the:

- £10,046.03 towards the aerial runway on Upper Cambourne Green
- £6,324.94 towards the Sports Pavilion on Great Cambourne Cricket Ground
- £2,269.16 towards provision of the Clock on the new Sports Pavilion.

It was:

Resolved that that the Chairman and Vice Chairman be authorised to sign the indemnity on behalf of the Parish Council.

15. MISSION STATEMENT

The revised Mission Statement was discussed and amended.

It was:

Resolved that the revised Mission Statement (attached) be adopted by the Council and be publicised.

16. LAND TRANSFERS

The Land Transfer report had been circulated prior to the meeting (report attached)

It was:

Resolved that the report be received.

17. TRAFFIC MATTERS & ROAD SAFETY

The Chairman reported that following on from the suggestion at the July Council meeting that that the Local Highway Improvement Initiative be used to obtain School Crossings signs for Monkfield Lane was not needed as there are already signs in place.

A suggestion was made to apply for funding for school crossings. A completed application would need to be prepared prior to the September Council meeting.

It was:

Resolved that the report be received and the Vice Chairman and Parish Clerk be delegated authority to determine if it is viable to proceed with preparing an application.

18. GENERAL CORRESPONDANCE

Cambridgeshire County Council

Questionnaire regarding Flooding history

It was noted that the questionnaire only relates to issues after 2011 and there has been no flooding issues in Cambourne since then so it was not necessary to complete the questionnaire

It was:

Resolved that the document be received.

Passenger Transport - Cambridgeshire County Council

Email regarding changes to local bus services

It was:

Resolved that the email be received.

Amanda Davies - Communications Officer, Cambridgeshire County Council

Email regarding Carers Away Day

It was:

Resolved that the email be received.

Cambridge Gliding Centre

Email regarding 2014 Regional Competition

It was:

Resolved that the email be received.

Lynn Norris - Cambridgeshire County Council

Email regarding Case Study – Cambourne with Kiosk and Carers Peer Support Bursary Scheme.

It was:

Resolved that the email be received.

19. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Exclusion of the press and the public.

MOVE: that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and the Public be excluded from the Meeting.

20. SKATEPARK EXTENSION

It was:

RESOLVED that the Council accept the quotations from UK Skateparks for the equipment and D A Cant for the tarmac surfacing subject to receipt of the grant.

21. SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB

It was:

RESOLVED that that the Chairman, Cllr Colin McPhie and the Parish Clerks actions be confirmed

22. STAFFING UPDATE

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received and the actions interview panels actions were confirmed.

23. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

RE-ADMITTANCE OF THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC.

MOVE: that the confidential business having been concluded, the Press and Public be re-admitted to the meeting.

24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 2nd September 2014

Cambourne Parish Council Police Report July 2014

I have made a review of the reported incidents for the period between the 8th July and 3 August, there were 123 incidents reported for the area with 111 in Cambourne last year compared to 175 with 139 in Cambourne for the same period this year.

The most frequent calls for Cambourne were as follows:-

- 10 Concern examples would be a male lying beside the road, children throwing bricks at cars, drunk person in a car, person walking on A428, a found four year old
- 16 Domestic disputes no direct link to World Cup
- 11 Rowdy nuisances 4 of these relate to an address in Hurricane Way
- 10 Neighbour disputes
- 9 Suspicious circumstances possible knife at skate park, children on building site, vehicle parked near to care home, Possible young person's drinking alcohol

In relation to crime there were 19 crimes reported for the area with 15 in Cambourne last year, compared with 20 reports for the area with 15 in Cambourne this year:

Most frequent reports were:-

- 5 Common assaults
- 3 Criminal damage to vehicle
- 2 Frauds

Two of the above have been detected and seventeen are still being investigated, one has been no crimed

One local success – following reports of drug dealing on Great Cambourne green, a local person has been arrested and charged with possession with intent to supply

Speed checks have been carried out on Lancaster Gate at different times of the day and night with no drivers being shown as above the limit

Our next Cuppa with a Copper session at Greens will be on Saturday 16th August between 10.30 and 11.30



District of South Cambridgeshire

Mission Statement

Cambourne Parish Council aims to be a Best Value Organisation by balancing the precept, supporting the local economy and providing quality amenities and services for the benefit of the residents.

Objectives

To ensure the best possible facilities are provided for sport, and Sport in Cambourne is supported to ensure access for the Community.

To continue to develop and expand opportunities for Youth.

To support all sections of the Community.

To recognise and acknowledge the benefits brought by the diversity of our Community.

To promote the development of an accessible, inclusive and sustainable Community.

To maintain, enhance and promote the use of Open Spaces, footpaths Cycle Routes, Playgrounds and Country Parks to develop the health and social wellbeing of residents.

To be innovative in Open Space development

To ensure that all aspects of S 106 Agreements and their successors are met in full.

To continue to develop good relationships and partnerships with local authorities, public bodies, and the private and voluntary sectors.

To work towards Cambourne becoming a District Ward in its own right.

To keep Cambourne environmentally friendly and to promote the reduction of the Carbon Footprint of Cambourne through the Cambourne Parish Energy Fund.

LAND TRANSFERS

Please find below details of the current position on the ongoing transactions involving the Parish Council:-

1. Various parcels of Public Open Space - Bovis Homes (0020)

Nothing further to report.

2. Smithy Way LAP - Persimmon Homes (0052)

At the request of Daryl Kirkland, a revised draft Transfer has been issued for comment/approval.

3. GC26 LAP - Metropolitan Housing Trust (0056)

The form of Transfer has been agreed and, indeed, this has been engrossed and issued to the Housing Trust for signature.

You are, of course, in contact with the District Council in relation to the commuted sum payable for the LAP and to confirm with them that they have no issues with the Transfer.

4. DRT Layby Licence, High Street (0055)

I await further instructions in relation to this transaction.

5. Taylor Wimpey - various POS parcels (0051)

We have spoken regarding my letter of the 12th June and I am, therefore, now in a position to progress the Transfer for the POS being dealt with in-house, the same form to be utilised in relation to the POS being dealt with by Wragges.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding any of the above, or feel that I have omitted any transactions, then do let me know.

Allison Hopkins

Paralegal for Mills & Reeve LLP