

## CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

A Special Meeting of this Council was held at The Hub Community Centre, Cambourne on Tuesday 21st November 2017. Meeting commenced at 7:30pm.

Present:

Cllr J O'Dwyer (Chairman) Cllr T Hudson Cllr Mrs R Poulton (Vice-Chairman) Cllr J Patel

Cllr Dr S Bhattacharya Cllr S Shivananjappa
Cllr P Gavigan Cllr G Thompson
Cllr P Hedges

In attendance: John Vickery Parish Clerk

Heather Nigbur-Day Deputy Parish Clerk

4 members of the public was in attendance.

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Cllr S Krintas, Cllr K McIntyre, Cllr Dr G Mehboob, Cllr P Mills. Acceptable reasons for absence had been given.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the apologies for absence from Cllr S Krintas, Cllr K McIntyre, Cllr Dr G Mehboob, Cllr P Mills be received and approved.

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

Cllr J Patel as Trustee and Treasurer for the CYP declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in Item 4. The Parish Clerk confirmed, that as there would be no discussion or decisions of a financial nature he would be able to remain in the room for Item 4.

#### 3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman made no announcements.

### 4. NEW YOUTH BUILDING

A presentation, by DT Architects on the new Soul Building was given, showing the options and design development. The presentation also showed how the building could be extended in the future if required.

Questions were raised, which included;

Q: Has the building been designed to be robust and accessible for maintenance and will the energy performance and sustainability be fully considered?

A: The building is fully accessible around the perimeter, to allow access to

windows, cladding and gutting for cleaning and maintenance. The materials will be as robust as possible, the coloured glazing will not require any specialist cleaning and the cladding can be timber or from a pre made material, which will be hard wearing and easy to clean. The building will be air tight and insulated to help retain energy.

Q: Will Wifi be open for the public to use?

A: Wifi will be available and accessible to the young people using the building but will not be public and will have safety restrictions on it to maintain the children's safety.

Neil Perry a Trustee for The Cambourne Youth Partnership expressed the interest in the extension being done to the main hall, to allow room for group sports. A larger hall will allow for performances to be held and allow for adequate seating. The children have been consulted through out the process so far and are keen to continue their involvement. The feasibility of funding a larger hall will be discussed at a future Parish Council meeting.

The Chairman thanked DT Architect's for the presentation and for answering relevant questions. The Parish Clerk informed council that South Cambridgeshire District Council had waived the pre app fee. This was welcomed as it saved costs that would affect the budget.

It was:

**RESOLVED** that the presentation be received.

#### 5. GATEWAY SITE

A presentation for the proposed McMullen pub and restaurant was presented by Daniel Jeffries. A brief history of the company that was established in 1827 was given and the plans for the new site in Cambourne where shared.

Q: What sort of surface will the accessible parking me on? A:The plans show block work but this will be confirmed.

Q: Will the bar have a section that is lower for wheel chair users and will there be different height tables in the restaurant? Will the accessible toilets be locked with a Radar Key?

A: These are good questions that will need to be considered and reported back on our next visit.

Q: With so many pubs being closed, how do McMullen's ensure that they can make a profit.

A: The Pub is mainly food led, with approximately 200 covers. When we consider a viable location we look at the possibility of foot trade and accessibility to all. Restaurant pubs are doing extremely well and are a viable business opportunity.

It was:

**Resolved** that the presentation be received.

**6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – 05<sup>TH</sup> December 2017. The meeting closed at 20.45pm