

CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

A meeting of this Council was held at The Hub Community Centre, Cambourne on Tuesday 4th September 2018 – meeting commenced at 7.03pm.

Present:

Cllr J O'Dwyer (Chairman)

Cllr P Gavigan

Cllr P Hedges

Cllr A Ahmed

Cllr T Hudson

Cllr J Patel

Cllr D Beck

Cllr A Rana

Cllr S Bhattacharya

Cllr A Fisher

Cllr G Thompson

In attendance: John Vickery - Parish Clerk

Heather Nigbur-Day – Deputy Parish Clerk

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

PUBLIC ADDRESS TO COUNCIL

A Cambourne resident addressed the Parish Council with his concerns relating to the High Street and that it needed to be the Heart of Cambourne when development begins. Another resident raised the issue of maintenance of the Market Square.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr D Jones, Cllr P Mills, Cllr S Krintas, Cllr K McIntyre and Cllr D Sharma. Acceptable reasons for absence had been given.

It was:

RESOLVED that the apologies from Cllr D Jones Cllr P Mills, Cllr S Krintas, Cllr K McIntyre and Cllr D Sharma for absence be received and approved.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

It was:

Signed Date 2nd October 2018

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Council Meeting M180 held on 3rd July 2018 were confirmed as a correct record and was duly signed by the Chairman subject to Cllr P Hedges and Cllr E Spanner attendance being minuted.

3. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST OR REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

Cllr J Patel disclosed an interest in Agenda Item 15.1. Cllr S Bhattacharya disclosed an interest in Agenda Item 15.4

4. POLICE MATTERS

The Police and Crime Commissioner Jason Ablewhite, supported by Sergeant John Capes and Catherine Kimberley Communications and Engagement Manager addressed the Council and members of the public. He gave a contextual information on crime, with an update on to the recent changes that had been made with the new policing structure and how it would effect the community. A lot of data and statistics were given to show that the issues that contributed to the funding of the police and how they established the direction of local policing to address the key issues. The main issue was that the funding formula that provides 60% of the budget did not track the growth of housing in the County. Mr Ablewhite expressed his desire to establish a good working partnership between the Police, within the community and all external bodies, enabling a proactive police response rather than a reactive one.

The presentation was then followed by a questions and answers session from the Parish Councillors.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.50pm to allow Members of the Public to ask questions.

The meeting was reconvened at 8.00pm.

The Parish Chairman thanked Mr Ablewhite, Sergeant John Capes and Catherine Kimberley for attending the meeting and on behalf of the Parish Council, will look forward to working with the Police to establish a strong working partnership within Cambourne.

It was:

RESOLVED that the presentation be received.

5. CBRR PRESENTATION

Sebastian Kindersley, Brian Bell and James Paxman gave a presentation on the CambsBedsRailRoad (CBRR) proposal to have a multi modal transport link from Bedford to Cambridge, with a duelled A428 and rail link running parallel. There seems to be a lack of discussion between the bodies charged with delivering the infrastructure projects leading to potential lost opportunities. The CBRR proposal could serve the major developments proposed at St Neots, Cambourne, Bourn

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and Northstowe. The current proposal by East west Railway is for a separate route that avoids the proposed housing growth and not linked to the route of the A428

It is likely that a Cambourne station would attract housing development. The A428 decisions are due to be announced by Highways England this year. CBRR would like their proposal to be considered by the decision makers, are publicising it and are seeking support from local affected communities.

CBRR have launched a web site <u>www.CamBedRailRoad.org</u> with more information of their proposal.

Parish Councillors asked questions and answers were given.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.25pm to allow Members of the Public to ask questions.

The meeting was reconvened at 8.35pm.

The Parish Chairman, on behalf of the Parish Council thanked Sebastian, Brian and James for the presentation.

It was:

RESOLVED that the presentation be received and it be placed on the agenda for the next meeting to agree a suitable response.

Cllr E Spanner left the meeting at 8.43pm

6. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCMENT

The Chairman made no announcements.

7. CLERKS UPDATE

The Parish Clerk presented a report to the Council. The Clerk listed a number of meetings he had attended since the last meeting. Report attached below.

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received.

8. COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS

County Cllr Howell gave a brief verbal report. Report attached bellow.

It was:

RESOLVED that the Cllr Howells report be received.

9. DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

District Cllr G Clayton gave a verbal report.

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District Cllr R Betson sent a report. Report attached below.

District Cllr S Bhattacharya sent a report. Report attached below.

Questions, on the reports, asked by Parish Councillors were answered.

It was:

RESOLVED that the reports be received.

10. PARISH PLAN

There have been no significant developments to the Parish Plan.

It was:

RESOLVED that the progress of the Parish Plan, particularly any progress on the High Street, would be discussed at a future meeting.

11. WEST CAMBOURNE

The Parish Clerk gave a verbal report. The design guide has now been submitted and will be presented at a future meeting. The High Street will be an agenda item on October's Council agenda.

It was:

RESOLVED to receive the report.

12. INDEMNITY FOR SB02 PUBLIC OPEN SPACE

To confirm that the Chairman and the Vice Chairman can sign the Indemnity to enable the S106 Monies for SBO2 (Flagship site on Back Lane) to be released to the Parish Council.

The Parish Clerk gave a brief explanation as to why the Indemnity required signing and that the monies had already been spent on the outdoor gym and accessibility equipment.

It was:

RESOLVED that the Chairman and the Vice Chairman would sign the indemnity and necessary actions be taken.

13. LAND TRANSFERS

A report was received from Alison Hopkins. Report Attached.

It was

RESOLVED that the report be received.

14. TRAFFIC MATTERS AND ROAD SAFETY

14.1 Cambourne Transport – Cllr S Bhattacharya
Transport for Upper Cambourne was discussed as highlighted by Cllr
Bhattacharya. It was discussed that more information would be needed Cllr

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Bhattacharya would investigate need and as a District Councillor, refer the matter to SCDC Scrutiny Committee. The Parish Office will explore the mini- bus option. The information will be brought to a future Council Meeting.

It was:

RESOLVED that the correspondence be received and more information gathered to discuss at a future Council meeting.

14.2 Parking Restrictions – Cambourne Resident.

The Parish Clerk has been in contact with the resident and has advised that the road has been adopted and that the issue will need to be reported to the County Council.

It was:

RESOLVED that the correspondence be received.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

Cllr J Patel left the meeting prior to the following item.

15.1 Iskon Cambourne Grant Application

The application was discussed and although additional information was requested, no further information was presented.

It was:

RESOLVED that the grant application was not in line with the Community Grant Aid principals and would not be offered a grant.

Cllr J Patel re-joined the meeting prior to the following item.

15.1 Yoga Grant Application

The application was discussed and further information was required before a decision could be made.

It was:

RESOLVED that proposed that the grant application be deferred to the next meeting, to allow further information to be submitted. Councillors will let the office know what information they require.

15.3 Cambridgeshire Hearing Help

The application was discussed and it was agreed that the funding of £300 would be given as a grant to support their work in Cambourne.

It was:

RESOLVED that the grant request of £300 would be awarded. Cambridgeshire Hearing Help be requested to give a written report for the Annual Parish Meeting about the results of work they achieved due to the award of the grant.

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Cllr S Bhattacharya left the meeting prior to the following item.

15.4 CamCare UK

The grant application was discussed and it was decided that the request for £50 would be granted and that due to the charity statues, scheduled room hire would be free for the next year.

It was:

RESOLVED that the grant application for the sum of £50 would be granted and that room hire fees would be waivered for the year. CamCare UK be requested to give a written report for the Annual Parish Meeting about the results of work they achieved due to the award of the grant.

Cllr S Bhattacharya re-joined the meeting prior to the following item.

16. COMMITTEE REPORTS

16.1 PLANNING COMMITTEE held on 7th July 2018 PLN M287 Minutes 3rd July 2018 and 21st July 2018 PLN M288 Minutes

16.2 FINANCE & POLICIES COMMITTEE held on 17th July 2018 FIN M70 Minutes

It was:

RESOLVED that the Planning Committee reports and the Finance and Policies report be received.

17. 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.

18. REPLACEMENT PLAY EQUIPMENT GREAT CAMBOURNE GREEN

A report was received from the Parish Clerk

It was

RESOLVED that the quotation be accepted and the necessary actions be taken.

19. STAFFING

A report was received from the Parish Clerk

It was:

RESOLVED that the report be received and the necessary actions be taken.

20. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Re-admittance of the press and the public.

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

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – **2rd October 2018** – The Meeting closed at 9.20pm