

# CARLTON cum WILLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in St Peter's Church Carlton  
On Thursday 27 July 2017

**Present:** - Michael Mann, Hedley Francis, Stephen Roberts, Paul Archer, Mary Maitland, Edith Osborn as Clerk, Richard Turner - District Councillor  
Mr Leeves  
A quorum was established.

**1 Apologies:**

Apologies were received from Giles Dobson, Kate Homan, Henry Batchelor - County Councillor  
and Andrew Fraser – District Councillor

**2 Minutes of Meeting held 11 May 2017.**

Michael Mann proposed that the minutes of the last meeting be approved and this proposal was seconded by Paul Archer.

**3 Declarations of Interest**

There were no new Declarations of Interest

**4 Administration**

**4.1 Millenium Walkway legal documentation**

There was no further information about the proposed Licence. The Chairman would ask Giles Dobson to write to Thurlow Estate and advise them that the Parish Council intended to resurface the path in September and await a response.

**5 Finance**

**5.1 Payments proposed for authorisation were:**

<b>5.1.1</b> CGM Ltd chq 307	£ 114.00
<b>5.1.2</b> Clerk's expenses	£ 39.51
<b>5.1.3</b> J Dockerill(auditor) chq 308	£ 27.00

Michael Mann proposed that the payments be approved and Paul Archer seconded the motion. The Clerk queried whether CGM had made three cuts this season or only two cuts so far.

**5.2 Receipts, payments and reconciliation as at 30 June 2017.**

The receipts, payments and reconciliation as at 30 June 2017 were proposed for acceptance by Michael Mann and seconded by Paul Archer.

**6 Planning.**

**6.1** There were no new planning issues to discuss.

**7 Environment**

**7.1 Broadband**

The Chairman advised that Malcolm Stennett had had feedback from Connecting Cambridgeshire and there had been no noticeable change in speed reported.

**7.2 S106 monies – proposal for use**

The Chairman advised that the Parish Council would not be able to obtain any road planings for free as there were none available from any County Council projects, therefore the Parish Council would have to use the S106 monies to finish covering the Green Road.

It was questioned whether the Parish Council could purchase land with S106 monies and this had been confirmed as falling under one of the Council's stipulations for use but no landowner was willing to sell any land. Another option was to use the monies to repair the Millenium Walkway.

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### **7.3 Defibrillator in the phone box**

The Chairman advised that Giles Dobson had suggested partnering up with the Community Heartbeat Trust as they provided support in the way of organising Public liability insurance, accreditation, annual community training, post rescue counselling and insurance. The cost of the unit would be £650 to £1,300. It was felt that it would be easier to do this rather than applying for a grant from the Wadlow Wind Farm which would not provide the support in managing the defibrillator.

All councillors agreed to go ahead with the proposal through Community Heartbeat Trust.

### **7.4 Footpaths**

The Chairman advised that the Millenium Walkway required the surface to be covered in gravel but there was no requirement for edging. The path had been kept free of weeds.

It was noted that Path 13 had not been cut at all this year. Also it was unclear the route of Path 14 from Acre Cottage to the Stour. A note for next year to contact Thurlow Estates to make sure of the angle of the route.

### **7.5 Willingham Green/speed restriction works**

The Chairman had contacted the engineer whose responsibility it was for this project. The 10% contribution had not yet been requested from the Parish Council.

Mary Maitland joined the meeting.

The Chairman reminded the councillors of the options for this project:

1. SLOW painted on the road and rumble strips
2. SLOW and dragons' teeth markings
3. SLOW, sign saying Welcome to Willingham Green – Please slow down, at both ends of the hamlet plus horse warning signs.

The feedback so far has suggested that the signs needed to be closer to the hamlet, could have rumble strips on the Weston Colville approach and dragons teeth on the opposite end. Delays at the County Council mean that we do not know when the work will be completed.

### **7.6 Speed restriction indicators in Carlton**

The Chairman advised that the SRI were discussed at the Joint Parish Council meeting on the previous evening and it had been noted that the County Council engineer would come out and advise but that his costs would be billed to the parish councils. It is preferred that the SRIs are attached to existing street furniture. Speed limits are determined by street lighting and whether there is housing on both sides of the street. The device will be reset when it comes to Carlton. It is anticipated that they will be operational by the end of the year.

### **7.7 Roadways – Church Road**

There has been a delay in contracts for Church Road so the road closure date is unknown.

It was noted that Brinkley's second speed restriction plan is for speed bumps on Common Road and thirdly on

### **7.8 Handy Bar Grove – Felling Licence application**

The Chairman referred to the Licence application to fell all the trees at Handy Bar Grove. As he walked in that area of the countryside he knew that buzzards were nesting in the wood and he had therefore contacted the RSPB who had confirmed that there was no special rules other than not to disturb the birds during the breeding season. It therefore looked like the licence would be approved.

## **8 District Councillor's report**

Councillor Turner referred to the Combined Parishes Meeting at which planning issues were discussed and at the next meeting in September someone from Highways will be attending. It was generally felt that these meetings were useful for parishes.

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The Local Plan was not yet in place. Examination hearings have been planned and the draft plan will be considered in September. The Plan is hoped to be in place by the beginning of next year provided the Inspector moves the process forward.

SCDC had asked the residents of Fulbourn what was important about living in South Cambridgeshire and they had suggested four things: living well, homes for the future, connected communities and innovation eg Ermine St housing.

This information will be kept under review. The survey can be completed online until the end of August.

Under the City Deal, it has been proposed to have new cycle lanes along the spokes, there are 12 spokes including Fulbourn and Waterbeach. A feasibility study is being prepared for the A1307, it is being broken into 3 sections with each being scored on priorities. Haverhill had proposed options for a north and south dual carriageway Options will be discussed by the Executive Boards.

Planning applications have been made for houses in Linton and Castle Camps. The Health & Wellbeing Holder's portfolio includes the out-of-hours service which is moving from Chesterton to Addenbrooke's Hospital. Social isolation leads to depression with more people living alone and retired, elderly care costs therefore increase. The portfolio also includes young people with lack of transport.

The Greater Cambridge Partnership includes transport, housing, innovation and skills. There will be 5 expressways: St Ives to Cambridge, St Neots to Cambridge, Ely to Cambs North with an addition to Foxton, a south east link from Sawston to Haverhill. Movement could be by bullet bus or rapid transport. Other options are to have tunnels under the city.

### **9 County Councillor's report**

It was noted that Balfour Beatty are changing the street lights for more efficient lights.

Clerk to circulate Cllr Batchelor's report.

### **10 General observations or matters for consideration at the next meeting**

Items to be discussed at the next meeting:

- Millenium Walkway trees. Mr Leeves suggested that the Council required to hire a professional tree surgeon to prune the trees
- Gravel on the Millenium Walkway

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 9 November 2017 at 8pm

The Meeting closed at 9.20pm.