

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Fen Ditton Parish Council held on Tuesday, 1st February, 2022 at 7.30 p.m. in the Church.

Present: Cllrs. Bloomfield; Butler; Dangerfield; Devine; Easterfield; Farrar(Chairman); Suess

In attendance: Cnty. Cllr. Bradnam; Dist. Cllr. Cone; Dauton and Williams; 3 members of the public; Debbie Wildridge, Locality; the clerk

2021/207 To receive apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr. Jones – out of the country.

2021/208 Open forum for members of the public

A resident requested that as the council had money to plant new trees they should attend to the existing wooded area of the recreation. It was explained that the trees had been planted with money from the District Council's Zero Carbon Community grant

A resident expressed concern of the continuing development of the site with mobile homes in Chesterton. Cllr Bradnam explained that District Council enforcement action had been taken and had been appealed

A resident expressed concerns regarding the financial implications of the Parish Council's decision to secure offices on the Marleigh development, given the tighter finances facing the Parish Council at present. It was explained that the office space is a s.106 condition of the planning approval and that the rent is nominal with service charge.

A resident sought to establish if a response to the communication with the resident of 7 Green End had been received.

2021/209 To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 4th January, 2022

The Minutes of the meeting held on 4th January were approved and signed.

2021/210 To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 18th January, 2022

The Minutes of the meeting held on 18th January were approved and signed.

2021/211 To receive declarations from Councillors as to the disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in relation to any items on the agenda

No declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests were made by Councillors

2021/212 Clerk's report and matters arising from the Minute

- i. Replacement trees
- ii. Chesterton Sidings-Cambridge North station – lighting. Cllr Jones will arrange a meeting in March. The lights on the hotel had been turned off.
- iii. SCDC planning officers have referred the use of the garage at Hardwick as accommodation to the enforcement team and are recommending refusal of application 21/05331/HFUL
- iv. Buchans Landscape had advised of a 3% increase in charges due to increased fuel costs and requested an additional increase in line with percentage increase in precept. The clerk advised that as the notification had arrived after budget and e-mail request pre budget that only 3% would be accepted.

2021/213 To approve the following accounts for payment:

It was agreed that the following payments be made and sent with the exception of payment to Perpetua in Perpetuum which should made following acceptable clarification of the items charged.

	Cheq. No	Amnt
British Telecommunications	DD	28.76
Drax – street lighting	DD	15.84
Hayden Woodruff – bus shelter	101844	15.00
Buchans – leaf clearing – November and December	101845	306.94
Andrew Firebrace Partnership Td – church wall survey	101846	720.00

Perpetua in Perpetum Ltd. – pavilion pre-app – ex s.106	101847	5400.00
Sth Cambs District Council – bin installation	101848	345.00
HM Customs & Revenue – employee tax	101849	117.60
Sarah Smart – January salary	101850	470.23
Stephanie Norris – architect for church wall	101851	2572.70

2021/214 To note money received

None

2021/215 To receive report from County Councillor

Cllr Bradnam reported:

Anglian Water Waste Water Treatment Plant relocation - Phase 3 consultation due in mid February

Household Support Fund open till 31 March 2022

Covid cases in schools

2021/216 To receive report from District Councillors

Cllr Cone reported:

Local Plan consultation in the summer

Green bin collection back to normal

Omicron Hospitality and Leisure Grant

Five Year land supply as of April 2021 was 5.6 years.

Cllrs Daunton and Williams reported:

Backing of Cambridge South Rail Station but requirement for more environmental protection

Covid Government support grants

Omicron and hospitality and leisure grants

Water resources East consultation

Climate and Environment fortnight – 21st March – 7th March

South Cambs Community Engagement Forum

Combined Authority funding for solar power for electric bin lorries

Combined Authority funding for chalk streams

SCDC grants of up to £700 for parish councils to celebrate the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee with a lasting item

2021/217 To consider the following planning applications and tree works:

20/02569/COND14	Land north of Newmarket Road	Submission of details by condition 14 (Implementation of Energy Strategy) of reserved matters application 20/02569/REM – For information Noted
22/00066/FUL	699 Newmarket Road	Erection of 3 no. pre-fabricated Smart Repair Booth buildings and relocation of existing stock parking spaces Noted
20/02569/COND21	Land north of Newmarket Road	Submission of details required by condition 21 (Road Levels) of reserved matters application 20/02569/REM Noted
21/04951/ADV	Marleigh Site, north of Newmarket Road	Installation of 1no. internally illuminated 1.2m x 0.64m totem sign at Park and Ride roundabout and 1 no. internally illuminated 4m x 1.2m totem sign at Marleigh Square Noted

21/1753/TTCA

Ditton Hall

Fell and grind stumps – two limes to front of house adjacent to front field from tip dieback, smaller, yellowing leaves. Trees to be replaced with 3 English oak within the front field

2021/218 Planning application responses from SCDC

None

2021/219 To appoint Heelis & Lodge as internal auditors for the financial year 2021/2022

It was agreed that Heelis & Lodge act as internal auditors for the year 2021/2022.

2021/220 To review:

- i. Effectiveness of Internal Audit – circulated and reviewed
- ii. Risk Assessment – circulated, reviewed and approved amendment to include protection of Council property from adverse possession claims by annually establishing ownership by correspondence and pictorial as appropriate was approved.
- iii. Financial Regulations – circulated and reviewed
- iv. Standing Orders – circulated and reviewed. The Chairman requested that ST0 25 be amended. The Clerk advised that any amendment should be prepared in the proper manner and discussed as an agenda item.

2021/221 To agree a date for the Annual Parish Meeting

It was agreed that the Annual Parish Meeting be held on 21st April in the Community Hall if available.

2021/222 To receive correspondence

Lucy Frazer QC MP – Cambridge Waste Water Treatment Plant relocation

2021/223 To accept notices and matters for the next agenda

No notices or matters were raised.

Chairman Date