

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held at the Cathodeon Centre on Thursday 1st September 2011

Present: R Hickford (Chairman), Mrs E Bald (Vice Chair), D Champion, Dr B Cox, Mrs S Dew, Ms T Hunt, B Manley, G Potter, Mrs J Wilson
Mrs S Parry (Clerk to the Council)

Mrs K France (Press) and Mrs A Walker were in attendance together with six members of the public.

Public Forum

Three members of the public raised their concerns regarding the Council's proposal for allotments and recreational land off Back Road.

The Chairman opened the meeting of the Parish Council at 8.30pm

- 100 Apologies for absence. Cllr Gee – holiday. Cllr Mannassi – attending funeral. Cllrs Cornell and Linsdell – ill health.
- 101 Alison Walker was welcomed to the Council and the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form was signed.
- 102 Declaration of Interests from Members. Cllr Bald declared an interest under item 107, a cheque for expenses.
- 103 Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 4th August 2011. Cllr Manley proposed that the minutes be adopted as a true record of the meeting. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Bald and agreed by the meeting.
- 104 Matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting held on 4th August 2011. Under item 90v, Venture Playground, Cllr Bald would contact Mr Walker with proposals for additional play equipment. **EB**
- 105 Consideration of the Minutes of the Planning meeting held on 21st July 2011. These were noted.
- 106 Consideration of the Minutes of the Finance meetings held on 19th May and 16th June 2011. These were noted.
- 107 Cllr Cox proposed that the payments listed below be paid. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Potter and agreed by the meeting. Cllrs Potter and Hickford signed the cheques.

		Gross	Excl VAT
Wages	bacs and 1538, 1539, 1540	3082.72	
CGM Ltd (grass maintenance)	bacs	1379.80	1149.83
Linton News	bacs	100.00	
Sandcroft Payroll Services	bacs	21.36	17.80
Cambridge Water Co	1541	29.76	
Four One Four Ltd (skate ramp refurbishment)	1542	10644.00	8870.00
CBS Office Solutions Ltd	1543	214.50	178.75
S Parry (reimbursement for purchase of Property Register & Title Plan for Recreation Ground to support QEII application)	bacs	62.40	52.00
Viking Direct	1544	167.71	139.76
Enid Smith (mileage exps)	1545	84.00	
Tees Solicitors	1546	750.00	
ESPO (for Cathodeon Centre)	1547	138.00	115.00
BT	1548	101.96	84.97

- 108 Reports from Co-ordinators:
i Open Spaces and Environment - Cllr Bald reported that the community payback team would be undertaking various tree works in the village. A meeting with the Paynes Meadow and

Chalklands residents would take place on 5th September to discuss ideas for the public open space. All welcome to attend.

ii Recreation Ground

Cllr Hunt proposed that an Eco-Rest bench (£206.96) and a black Baltic steel vandal proof litter bin (£217) be purchased and sited on the Recreation Ground near to the small play area. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Cox and resolved by the meeting. **Resolved**

Cllr Bald proposed that a seat be sited by the tarmac area on the Recreation Ground and a bench be sited by the jubilee stone. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Wilson. Cllr Potter suggested that sponsorship could be invited for these and this was felt to be a good idea. Cllr Manley suggested that a seat would be preferable to a bench. Cllr Bald amended the proposal that a Phoenix seat (£363) be sited by the jubilee stone facing away from the river. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Hunt and resolved by the meeting. No decision on a seat by the tarmac area was made. **Resolved**

The clerk would seek quotes for this work. **Clerk**

iii Cemetery -There was nothing to report.

iv Rights of Way – There was nothing to report.

v Venture Playground – The work to refurbish the skate ramp was almost complete. Cllr Hunt confirmed that the art work on the side panels would be retained where possible.

vi Leadwell Meadows, River and Wildlife

Item 2 A resident had sent in a further request for fencing. It was agreed to reiterate the previous comment that the Council did not intend to fence the area. **Clerk**

vii Glebe Land – There was nothing to report.

viii Churchyard – Cllr Cox reported that permission had been received from the Conservation Officer at SCDC to continue the work to rebuild the wall up to the capping stones. A meeting would take place to discuss the future of the broken headstones. Mr Westlake had finished painting the churchyard gates.

ix A1307, Traffic and Recreation Ground Parking

A report from Recreation Ground car park working party meeting on 14th February had been issued by Cllr Cornell.

Cllr Champion reported that the uneven surfaces and ruts in Meadow Lane were causing problems and making it more difficult to push wheel chairs to the Granta School. Meadow Lane was also used by children who could walk, albeit with difficulty, who had serious psychological problems and would be at risk if they were to walk along the A1307 to the High Street. They too would benefit from an even walking surface. The Council's transportation policy on busing children to and from the school had been rethought and at present there would not be any significant change to the number of vehicles travelling to and from Granta School. There were only three children living within a radius of three miles. One could walk to the school and the other two qualified for transport by virtue of their lack of mobility.

109 Tree planting requirements for autumn 2011 and spring 2012 were considered. Cllr Bald had issued a report and a plan.

Cllr Bald proposed that the north east corner of the Recreation Ground be tidied and any dead trees or vegetation be removed and replanted, from SCDCs allocation, with four or five Whitebeams and one black Poplar. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Cox and resolved by the meeting. **Resolved**

Cllr Bald proposed that a jubilee oak, from SCDCs allocation, be planted beside the river at the bottom of the tarmac area. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Hunt and resolved by the meeting. **Resolved**

Cllr Bald proposed that three birches and two alders be planted in the area by the bridge to replace those that had died. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Hunt and resolved by the meeting. **Resolved**

110 Written reports from Council representatives.

A report on the meeting of Chalklands and Paynes Meadow Residents Association had been issued by Cllr Bald

A report on the meeting of 8th August to discuss traffic and parking on the Recreation Ground had been issued by Cllr Hickford.

111 Consultation on draft Charter for South Cambridgeshire Councils (from meeting of 7th July)

A report from the Clerk was noted.

112 Correspondence received for discussion and decision.
Item 22 SCDC regarding an invitation to a training event on 12 September. There was no interest.
Item 24 Cllr Champion was appointed Cathodeon trustee to replace Mr Krarup who had resigned. **Clerk**
Item 34 SCDC Training and information sessions regarding planning would be taking place at
Cambourne on 11th October. Cllrs Bald and Hunt would attend. **Clerk**
Item 36 Moore Stephens had given additional comments in respect of the Annual Return.
'We have received several copies of minutes of the Council. There have only been reviewed in
respect of the matter for which they were requested, that is the progress of the risk assessment
procedures, and not in respect of any other item of account. We note that the risk assessment
procedures are considerably improved.'

113 Reports from Councillors. (For information only)
Cllr Manley reported that the disabled parking bay outside 17 High Street was no longer
required as the resident had moved. The clerk would contact Highways department to advise
and to also enquire about the bays in Horn lane and Tower View Green.
Cllr Champion reported on a serious accident on A1307 on 19th August and a spate of
burglaries in the village. Cllr Walker reported that she was one of households who had been
burgled and praised the PCSOs for their advice. Discussion took place as to whether a crime
prevention event would be beneficial.
Cllr Bald reported that Mr Hampson of SCDC had agreed to meet regarding planning issues.
The dates he could offer were 12th, 13th and 19th October at 6pm. All interested parties should
contact the Clerk.

The meeting closed at 9.26pm

SignedDate.....

Note: Copies of reports and documents referred to in these minutes can be inspected at the Council's
office.

