

MINUTES OF THE **MEETING OF FOWLMERE PARISH COUNCIL** HELD
IN THE SCHOOL ROOM, UNITED REFORMED CHURCH, CHAPEL LANE
17TH JANUARY 2012 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT: Cllr L Wragg (Vice-Chairman), Cllr J Bottrill, Cllr P Flynn, Cllr E O'Regan, Cllr J Peacock, Cllr M Sunderland, Cllr N Webb and Mrs J Wright (Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE: There were no attendees

		Actions
1.	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received from Cllr D Roberts so Cllr Wragg took the Chairman's role in Cllr Roberts' absence.</p>	
2.	<p>DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS: No items were declared.</p>	
3.	<p>MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 15TH NOVEMBER 2011: The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record.</p>	
4.	<p>MATTERS ARISING: a) STANDARDS COMMITTEE COMPLAINT Following a complaint made to SCDC from a member of the public about the alleged conduct of a Councillor, the parish council has since received a formal letter which rejects the accusation as being completely unfounded and without merit. No action should therefore be taken as there was no evidence to support the allegation.</p> <p>There were no further matters arising which were not covered in the agenda.</p>	
5.	<p>COUNTY COUNCIL AFFAIRS: Cllr Stone is currently away and so was unable to circulate a report.</p>	
6.	<p>UPDATE ON THE VILLAGE HALL: Cllr Flynn reported that the village hall is now in a much better financial situation, with many different fundraising activities coming up over the next few months.</p>	
7.	<p>PLANNING COMMITTEE a) PLANNING MINUTES FROM 3RD JANUARY 2012</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FOWLMERE PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE DOROTHY PLUCK ROOM, ST MARY'S CHURCH, FOWLMERE ON 3RD JANUARY 2012 AT 7:15PM</p> <p>PRESENT: Cllr D Roberts (Chair), Cllr J Bottrill, Cllr P Flynn, Cllr E O'Regan, Cllr M Sunderland, Cllr L Wragg and Mrs J Wright (Clerk)</p> <p>APOLOGIES: Cllr J Peacock, Cllr N Webb</p> <p>1. Declarations of interest (if any) Before discussion, Cllr Roberts declared that if an application is later placed before South Cambridgeshire District Council she will approach any new information afresh.</p> <p>2. S/2351/11 Removal and Variation for condition 2 and 8 to allow for the insertion of rooflights Springfields, Fowlmere Road, Melbourn, SG8 6EZ</p>	

	<p>Mrs Maxine Blythe.</p> <p>The Parish Council has no objections to this application as it does not overlook any other properties and is simply a means of achieving extra lighting for the applicants.</p> <p>3. S/1226/11 For information only – PERMISSION REFUSED Erection of two dwellings The Nurseries, The Way, Fowlmere, SG8 7QS C/o Cheffins</p> <p>The Parish Council noted the decision and that an independent appeal had been lodged.</p> <p>4. S/1385/11 For information only – PERMISSION GRANTED Carport and Log Store Keepers Cottage, Chrishall Grange, Chrishall Grange Road, Fowlmere, SG8 7NT Mr Peter McDermott</p> <p>The Parish Council noted the decision</p> <p>5. S/1547/11 For information Only – PERMISSION REFUSED Two Storey Rear Extension 24A Piper’s Close, Fowlmere, Mr and Mrs Joubert</p> <p>The Parish Council noted the decision</p> <p>6. S/1483/11 For information Only – PERMISSION GRANTED Extensions and detached Garage (Application to extend the time limit for implementation for extant planning permission S/1494/08/F) Redlands, Cambridge Road, Fowlmere, SG8 7QN Mrs June Lawrence</p> <p>The Parish Council noted the decision.</p> <p>7. Other Matters and Updates Other Matters and Updates (<i>for information only</i>) There were no further matters for discussion. The meeting closed at 7:20pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p>The Meeting was then opened to the members of the public and then closed.</p>	
8.	<p>BURIAL BOARD: As discussed at the previous meeting the situation regarding engraving on the reverse of gravestones was discussed and the long term view is to not allow this - all Cllr's agreed and the Clerk to report this to the family who made the request.</p>	Clerk
9.	<p>TREES, GRASS AND HEDGES: a) DOG BIN The agreement was reached to progress with purchasing an additional dog-bin for the end of</p>	

	<p>Manor Farm and install on the lamp-post. The Clerk to progress the order.</p> <p>b) POST OFFICE UPDATE The Clerk updated the PC on the discussions that the PO is having, namely with St Mary's and the Queen's head. It would seem that progress is being made regarding the Dorothy Pluck room at the Church.</p> <p>Cllr Webb reported that a branch has come off a tree in the Cemetery in the high winds but the tree looks unhealthy. Clerk to ask Chris Wall to take a look at it when next passing.</p> <p>Cllr Flynn reported that a tree on the green in Jackson's Way has suffered from wind damage. Clerk to speak to Cllr Roberts and contact the Jackson's if it's not deemed to be on PC land.</p> <p>Cllr Flynn also reported that the tree on the corner of Ryecroft Lane needs attention, Clerk to report this to SCDC.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Clerk should ask Michael Bates to come along to the next meeting to give an update on the situation with the Moat finance.</p> <p>A request has been made to remove some sycamores from the land near to Sexton's Cottage. They will not have TPO's on them. Subject to checking the situation, the majority of the PC have no objections to this request but will meet to look at the trees in question and a decision will be taken at the next meeting.</p> <p>Following a car driving into them, the Chairman of Finance agreed to the replacement of the stepping-stone posts in the play area of The Butts. Dave Salmons quoted £130 to replace them. The Clerk to ask him to undertake the work.</p> <p>The Clerk reported that the roundabout will be delivered tomorrow and she is meeting them on site to show them where it is to go, as agreed.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk / Cllr Roberts</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>All Cllr's</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
10.	<p>FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES: a) PRECEPT AGREEMENT 2012-2013 The precept for 2012-2013 was formally agreed. The Clerk to let SCDC know that this has happened.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
11.	<p>CORRESPONDENCE: CPALC has yet to respond to the three e-mails sent by the Clerk. Clerk to chase.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
12.	<p>ACTION LIST UPDATE: The Action List was updated accordingly.</p>	
13.	<p>OTHER MATTERS: The Parish Councillors met with an applicant regarding the final position on the Council. The Cllr's are to invite the applicant to join the Council. The Clerk to ask the Chairman to endorse this decision at the February meeting, in which case the Clerk will invite the applicant to attend their first meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Bottrill attended a meeting about the bus contract that has just started up. The Cllr's were not aware of its usage and whether it was a success.</p> <p>The Melbourn Youth Club would be looking for a repeat donation next year which is something the PC should bear in mind.</p> <p>Cllr Flynn is writing a piece for the Cambridge News once a month and can include any news and information as necessary from the PC.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

	<p>The Standards Committee Newsletter to go on the next agenda.</p> <p>The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 21st February at the URC. The Finance Meeting planned for 27th March is to be moved to 20th March, in line with the PC Meeting. Clerk to check if the room needs to be cancelled.</p> <p>A brief planning meeting is to be held on Tuesday 7th Feb at 7:30pm at the Church, Clerk to book the Dorothy Pluck Room.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 8:40pm</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
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