

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Fen Ditton Parish Council held on Tuesday, 7th August, 2018 at 7.30 p.m. in the Recreation Ground Pavilion.

Present: Cllrs. Bennée; Bush; Conroy; Devine; Farrar; Suess

In attendance: Dist. Cllrs. Cone, Daunton; Cty. Cllr. Bradnam; one member of the public; the clerk

2018/64 To receive apologies

Cllrs Collett; Easterfield and Jones

2018/65 Open Forum for members of the public

No matters raised

2018/66 To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd July, 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd July, 2018 were approved and signed

2018/67 To receive declarations from Councillors as to the disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary in relation to any agenda item

No declarations were made.

2018/68 Clerk's report and matters arising from the Minutes

- i. Cemetery extension – the railings have been altered in order that access can be gained to un-used grave spaces. Further cemetery extension is an on-going matter
- ii. Speed reducing gate on High Ditch Road – Cllr Bradnam continues to investigate why this has not been organised by county councillor officers
- iii. The Cut/Dock – the river manager for Cam Conservators had advised that the land itself and the river bed is owned under riparian ownership to the middle of the waterway by landowners on either side, that the Cam Conservators are responsible for the navigation of backwaters but they would not dredge the Dock as they do not consider it to be navigable. However they would dredge the Dock, charging the landowners should they request the work be carried out. With regard to trees and litter picking he advised that both are the responsibility of the landowner and that Cam Conservators cut the trees to ensure that navigation of the waterways is safe. Councillors consider that the land to the west, known as the Meadows, is owned by Gonville and Caius College and the land to the north east, known as the Paddock, is owned by Jesus College.
The meeting arranged for 6th August, by Cllr Bradnam was cancelled by the clerk with the knowledge above and following information and concerns brought to her attention. In view of this the clerk considered that there was not a clear mandate by the Council, properly agreed at a meeting with full knowledge of the information, as to the way in which the Council wanted the matter dealt with.
- i. Wright's Close noticeboard – the noticeboard is being redundant has been removed at the request of the resident in whose garden it was located. Councillors expressed gratitude to the resident for hosting the board to enable the sharing of information
- ii. Junior goal mouth – the grass cutting contractors admitted the liability for the damage caused to the goal mouths and had given assurance that a replacement would be installed. The Council insurers have been informed of the damage.
- iii. Cycle route 51 – a report of overhanging vegetation had been forwarded to the County Council via the web site. The resident making the report was encouraged to do the same.
- iv. CCC Local Highway Initiative – application submitted.
- v. WING s106. – any potential monies towards cricket facilities discussed previously had were not now available due to the requirement for and cost of the north wing facility. Details of the management of facilities at WING had not yet been agreed – District Council officers are aware of the need to include the parish council in any discussions on the matter.

2018/69 To approve payments made during the month and accounts for payment:

Payment of the following accounts were approved with the exception of cheque 101499.

	Cheq. No	Amnt
British Telecommunications	DD	29.09
e.on	DD	13.93
Hayden Woodruff	101546	15.00
CVSS	101547	60.00
Vince Farrar – hard drive	101548	59.97
Jennie Conroy – goal post socket covers	101549	39.89
CGM – cemetery, rec., verges, village green, Wadloes	101550	2397.92
Mark Sturmeay - churchyard	101551	210.00
Sarah Smart – July salary	101552	544.27
CGM – outstanding for work in churchyard	101499	2394.00

2018/70 To note money received

None

2018/71 To receive report from County Councillor

Cllr Bradnam reported on the changes to the 196 bus service which was now being covered by Citi 3, 9B and 19 services at various times of the day. This had led to considerable confusion. Councillors suggested that community transport should be investigated.

2018/72 To receive report from District Councillor/s

Cllr Cone reported on:

the care which District council had given to the refuse collectors during the heatwave.

the work of the District Council team working to prevent homelessness

the success rate of District Council in collecting council tax and achieving a top table place

Cllr Daunton reported on:

Decisions of the District Council

to investigate ways to reduce the sale and provision of single use plastic

to review the council's activity to promote equality and diversity in the work place

to request the government minister responsible requesting the immediate suspension of the roll out of universal credit

Cllr Daunton further reported on:

the completion of the first stage in reviewing grants available to communities

progress with an independent review of the organisation of the authority

the response made to the Uttlesford District Plan in particular the adverse impact on roads

the Council's promotion of Help to Heat for the more vulnerable households in the district

the progress of the WING development and the objections to some aspects of the cycleway proposals

2018/73 To consider following planning applications and tree works applications

S/2079/18/FL	129 Ditton Lane	Ground floor entrance porch. Two storey side extension. Part single & two storey rear extension. Amended plan. Noted
S/2554/18/PN	5 Darwin Nurseries	Prior notification of proposed demolition of outbuildings - Noted
S/2776/18/TC	112 Ditton Lane	Ash: shorten 5 lateral branches back to boundary and suitable growth points; Beech x 6: shorten five lateral branches back to boundary and suitable growth points. No comments
S/2262/18/DC	Land north of Newmarket Road	Discharge of condition 35 (Construction Environmental Management Plan) - Noted.

S/2260/18/DC	Land north of Newmarket Road	Discharge of condition 37 (Air quality mitigation scheme) – Noted.
S/2261/18/DC	Land north of Newmarket Road	Discharge of condition 36 (Construction site waste management plan) Noted.
S/2259/18/DC	Land north of Newmarket Road	Discharge of condition 38 (foul water strategy). Noted
S/2258/18/DC	Land north of Newmarket Road	Discharge of condition 40 (Bird hazard management plan). Noted
S/2257/18/DC	Land north of Newmarket Road	Discharge of condition 46 (Archaeological mitigation plan). Noted
S/2256/18/DC	Land north of Newmarket Road	Discharge of condition 48 (Water vole mitigation plan). Noted
S/2255/18/DC	Land north of Newmarket Road	Discharge of condition 41 (Waste management & minimisation plan). Noted
C/5007/16/CC/C6	Land between Coldhams Lane and River Cam	Phase 1 of the Chisholm Trail Condition 5: fence, railing and gate specifications and condition 16 earthworks. Cllrs. Bennée and Conroy agreed to investigate this application

2018/74 Planning application responses from SCDC

None

2018/75 To consider list of suggested uses for telephone box and cost of restoration.

Deferred to September agenda

2018/76 To receive and approves information for financial quarter ending 30th June, 2018

- i. Expenditure and income figures
The expenditure and income figures were noted by councillors. No questions were raised
- ii. Bank reconciliation
The bank reconciliation was approved by Cllr Bennée.

2018/77 To consider suggestion by resident that the telephone box be moved to the recreation ground to house a defibrillator.

Installation of a defibrillator is to be included in the list of possible uses of the telephone box.

2018/78 To approve expenditure on fireworks as per the budget.

It was agreed that the budget figure of £650 be spent on fireworks

2018/79 To note change in bus service to and from Fen Ditton and to consider communication in response to such changes without adequate notice and lack of consultation.

It was agreed that Stagecoach, the new operators of the bus service into Fen Ditton, should be asked if they had liaised with the County Council requesting the publishing of the new timetables. The Council expressed extreme disappointment with the manner in which the change in service had been managed. The Council hoped that the District and County Council would communicate to ensure that users and potential bus users were kept informed. The Council encourages all residents to let them know what services are required. It was agreed that a notice informing residents of the Dial-a-ride service should be displayed on the noticeboard.

2018/80 To receive correspondence:

SCDC – licensing act

Sports England - grants

2018/81 To accept notices and matters for the next agenda

Allocation of money raised at fireworks.

2018/82 To exclude the public from the meeting because of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed. It is hereby resolved in accordance with section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission

to Meeting) Act 1960 that as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted at the next agenda item the Chairman asks that in the public interest the public and press are temporarily excluded from this meeting and are herewith instructed to withdraw.

It was agreed that the members of the public be instructed to leave. All members of the public left the meeting.

2018/83 To consider and approve contracts.

The minutes of this item are recorded as a confidential minute