

## FENSTANTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2015 7:30 PM AT FENSTANTON & HILTON PRIMARY SCHOOL.

**Present :** Cllrs : Caswell, Dartford, Dockerill, Henderson, Kent (Chairman),  
Lee, Place, Pryke, Saunderson & White.

**In Attendance :** Mr S Dartford (Clerk), County Cllr. Bates & 2 Parishioners.

**15.083 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Were received from Cllrs. Grantham, Pask, West & District Cllr. Mead.

**15.084 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

Cllr. Dartford. Personal / pecuniary. Agenda item 15.092.01.  
Cllr. White. Personal. Agenda item 15.089.01.

**15.085 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 8<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2015.**

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Dockerill.                      **Seconded:** Cllr. Pryke.                      **Vote:** Carried.

**15.086 MATTERS ARISING.**

Agenda item 15.077. To consider applying for a grant under the Local Highway Initiative. The meeting was advised the application has been submitted and has been accepted for consideration.

**15.087 CORRESPONDENCE & CLERK'S REPORT.**

A resident of Greenfields has requested yellow lines be applied in the turning area at the end of the cul de sac. The Clerk has replied to the resident explaining the situation. County Cllr. Bates advised the meeting that he will be meeting with the resident.

**Clerk's report.**

Included with Member's papers was an e-mail from County Council Highways concerning unauthorised works on the public highway. The Chairman requested all Members of the Council note the comments.

Parish Council parking notices had been included with Member's papers.

The meeting was advised that the web site working group met on 9<sup>th</sup> November.

**15.088 POLICE REPORT.**

**To review the list of reported crimes.**

A report of crimes for the month of September, the latest available from the Police, was distributed to Members present for information. A copy of the report is appended to the minutes for information.

**15.089 COMMITTEE REPORTS.****15.089.01. Planning Committee.**

Draft minutes of the meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> October were included with Members papers. The Chairman of the Planning Committee provided supplementary information.

Cllr. White declared a personal interest in Planning Application 15/01957/s73 appertaining to Fenstanton Pre-School.

**15.089.02. Finance & Constitution Committee.**

Draft minutes of the meeting held 22<sup>nd</sup> October were included with Member's Papers. The Chairman of the Finance & Constitution Committee provided supplementary information. The Chairman commented on agenda item 8 of the minutes.

**15.090 REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS.****15.090.01. District Councillor's report.**

In the absence of District Cllr. Mead no report was given.

**15.090.02. County Councillors report.**

County Cllr. Bates appraised the meeting of matters appertaining to the Parish. The meeting was advised that the County Council would have to make substantial savings and this would have a detrimental effect on communities. Some of the cuts being considered were the withdrawal of the Mobile Library service, a reduction of winter gritting and footpath maintenance and repair.

**15.090.03. A14 Parish Update.** Cllrs. Kent and Henderson reported on the meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> October. The meeting was advised that a timetable was in place and subject to Ministerial approval work could possibly start by November 2016.

**15.090.04. Post Office meeting.** Cllrs. Kent and Henderson reported on the meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> October with the Clerk in attendance. The meeting was advised that the Post Office Ltd have no wish to close the Village Post Office. However the Postmaster no longer wishes to continue the business and with the proprietor of the NISA shop no longer prepared to take the Post Office it is desirable that a solution is found. Mr Shepherd agreed to contact the Pharmacy and investigate the possibility that they may wish to take the Post Office. Should this route prove unsuccessful the Chairman will discuss the matter further with the proprietor of the NISA shop. The meeting was further advised that the Pharmacy had since rejected the proposal and the proprietor of the NISA shop felt he could not sustain the opening hours required by the Post Office. The Chairman has since written to the constituency MP requesting his assistance in resolving the matter.

**15.090.05. Other. St Ives Road Safety Committee.**

The Parish Council's representative reported on the meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> November. There were no matters appertaining to the Parish.

**15.091 PARISH ACTION PLAN.**

There were no further actions.

15.092

**FINANCE****15.092.01. To approve the grants and donations as recommend by the Finance & Constitution Committee.**

Cllr. Dartford had declared an interest in this agenda item and did not partake in the discussion or vote.

It was resolved to approve the Finance & Constitution Committees recommendations.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Pryke.

**Seconded:** Cllr. Henderson. **Vote:** 8 in favour.  
1 against.

**15.092.02. To receive the Financial Report & approve payments.**

The Financial Report had been distributed to Members. It was resolved the payments be approved.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Pryke.

**Seconded:** Cllr. Saunderson. **Vote:** Carried.

A copy of the report is appended to the minutes.

**15.092.03. To Approve The Transfer Of Funds.**

The RFO recommended a transfer of £8,460.00 from the Instant Access Business Account to the Current Account to cover expenditure for the month of November and known expenditure for the month of December.

**Proposed:** Cllr. Pryke.

**Seconded:** Cllr. Dockerill. **Vote:** Carried.

15.093

**CALENDAR OF KNOWN FORTHCOMING MEETINGS.**

Dates of forthcoming meetings had been distributed to Members.

15.094

**PARISH MATTERS TO NOTE.**

- 1). The Parish Council's CPALC representative sought the meeting's opinion on raising the matter of amalgamating with surrounding Parish Councils to provide funding for the mobile library service at the CPALC AGM. The meeting felt the matter should be investigated.
- 2). A Member felt that HACT could possibly provide a service to enable Parishioners to access the library in St Ives.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:52 pm.

Abbreviations used in these minutes are as follows:-

CPALC.  
HACT.  
M.P.  
RFO.

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Association of Local Councils.  
Huntingdonshire Association for Community Transport.  
Member of Parliament.  
Responsible Financial Officer.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ ( Chairman )

\_\_\_\_\_ ( Date )