

Minutes of the meeting of Wimblington Parish Council held on Tuesday 13th November 2018 in the small room of the Parish Hall, Addison Road Wimblington at 7.00 pm.

Present M T Davis (Chairman), Mrs P Amos (Clerk), Cllr Dent; Cllr Clarke; Cllr Henning; Cllr Rose; Harding; Cllr Wright
Cllr Gowing; Mrs M Moutlon; Mrs Hart; D Tattersall; J Hamence; D Tattersall; Mr Rob Stevenson; Mr Ashley Stevenson

Number	Title		Action
0164/18	Apologies for Absence	PCSO Carol Holloway; Cllr Knowles; Cllr Crawford;	
0165/18	Absentees	None	
0166/18	Chairs Additional items	None	
0167/18	Declarations of interest	i)declaration: None ii)written dispensation requests: There were none iii)dispensation grants: There are none	
0168/18	Public participation	None	
0169/18	Confirmation of minutes	RESOLVED – that the minutes of meeting held on 9 th October 2018 were correctly recorded and that they be signed as being a true record. Proposed: Cllr Rose; Seconded: Cllr Dent. All in favour.	
0170/18	Cambs C.C.	Mr Chris Foyle Cambs CC representative, was due to speak about cycle lanes. He was not able to attend. Cllr Davis explained that Highways are going to extend the cycle lane from March end of March Rd. to Honeymead. He is looking at proposals which will include a wider than normal footpath which can include a cycle path. Cllr Davis and the Clerk will contact Mr Foyle to discuss further	MTD PA
0171/18	Fenland District Council	Report by Cllr M Davis: Cllr Davis reported that Freedom Leisure will be taking over the management of FDC leisure centres.	
0172/18	Cambridgeshire County Council	Cllr. Gowing reported Boots Bridge and Bedlam Bridge have been discussed. Boots Bridge will be closed from January for 23 weeks if the power can be sorted out otherwise it will not be able to be done until September. Manea Road. has also been discussed on site regarding its safety which is being looked into along with the drainage problem. The gravel extraction from the site at Mepal will also be discussed by CCC.	
0173/18	Other Matters	a) defibrillator sites. The clerk had contacted Rob Skoulding and East Anglian Ambulance Service (defibs) who were looking in to whether a defibrillator could be sited at a garage. Both had replied saying that there is no reason why they cannot be sited at a garage, but a defib should not be used on a garage forecourt. Sisco garage had been informed and have now confirmed that they are happy for the next defibrillator to be sited at their premises. Cllr Davis discussed training for Defib use. Training to be arranged after Sisco's is sited. b) best kept village plaques. After discussion Cllr Wright offered to have Mick Knight look at them with a view to possible refurbishment. Cllr Rose said that some other villages have information signs. She handed round pictures of others. She suggested that we could apply for a grant to fund this. Cllr Rose to enquire c) Poppy gathering event. The event had been well supported with many residents making their version of a poppy, which were displayed over 3 days. A lot of the exhibits had been taken to the Church for display, in readiness for the Remembrance Sunday Service. A total of £70.00 had been donated to Royal British Legion. d) grass cutting. The clerk had clarified with the grass cutting contractors the number of cuts for each area and a check made of the WMPF and Cemetery, both appear to be in good condition and not need a further cut. The WMPF will be scarified and the clerk suggested this be also done at the Cemetery next year. She had noted that two graves appeared to have had a general weed killer applied to the whole of their surface killing all of the grass, which is not permitted. After discussion resolved to write to the owners asking them not to do this again. Clerk advised it would be worthwhile applying a 'weed and feed' to the whole of the Cemetery grass. After discussion resolved to ask CGM to do at £65.00 Clerk to put notice on gate and bin area advising people not to use their own weed killer. Also put into T&C's e) Transport Strategy Fenland Town and Parish Council Discussion e-mail forwarded to Cllrs 5.11.18. An e-mail had been received by the clerk asking for representatives from each PC to attend a meeting about a new Fenland Transport Strategy. After discussion Cllr Wright will	EW JR PA EW

		attend. Cllr's to e-mail Cllr Wright with thoughts about this. One suggestion was that the bus service had been disrupted by road closures with no communication.	
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0174/18	Payments	The members to consider the following: accounts for payment:					
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		Payments		NET	VAT	£	
		Booking clerk	Booking clerk duties July			94.05	
		Cleaner	Hall cleaning July			156.60	
		Clerk	Clerk duties inc expenses			623.04	
		Inland revenue	Clerk; booking clerk tax & NI “			164.76	
		LGSS	Clerks Pension July			307.25	
		EACH	Donation			200.00	
		St Peter’s Church	Donation			500.00	
		Jez’o	Xmas lights switch on	937.50	187.50	1125.00	
		Domestic & General	Cooker insurance			39.00	
		Harris Rd Contr Ltd	Parish hall car park resurface	13200.00	2640.00	15840.00	
		FT Nixon Ltd	Wood for hall refurb	20.52	4.10	24.62	
		West End DIY	Paint for hall	84.95	16.99	101.94	
		Fenl Leisure Play	Zip wire; repl bin for field	702.29	140.46	842.75	
		Rob Nicholas	Boiler maintenance			195.00	
		Reads Groundworks	Pavilion toilets rainwater drain	275.00	55.00	330.00	
		FDC	Hall bins			125.42	
		FDC	Church bins			125.42	
		A1 Fencing	Allotment fencing	3920.00	784.00	4704.00	
		Cambs bin cleaning	Clean hall bins			12.50	
		March quality Meat	Xmas lights switch on food			300.00	
		FDC	TEN licence lights switch on			21.00	
		Circuit planet e-bay	Tablet charger cable			1.99	
		L Johnson	Gardening			60.00	
		CGM	Grass cutting – all spaces	549.34	109.87	659.21	
		Yu energy	Hall gas	78.22	3.91	82.13	
		Xmas lights	Petty cash			300.00	
		Blouts	Hall ceiling etc	6686.08	1337.22	8023.30	
		Ridgeons	Hall wood Plasterboard etc	58.17	11.63	69.80	
		D Biggs	Move electrical socket hall	120.00	24.00	144.00	
		= Previously approved by Chairman or at previous meeting					
		All payments to be made - Proposed: Cllr Rose; Seconded: Cllr Dent; all in favour.					
		b) Finance report: The clerk reported that income to end of October (not yet reconciled) was £84,645 with expenditure being £74,674. This leaving £174,669 balance. A summary Inc & Exp Account document was given to Cllrs. Cllr Davis asked for volunteers to go on the Finance committee. Cllrs Harding and Henning volunteered. Cllr Davis will arrange dates.					
0175/18	Risk Management and Health & Safety	Further to minute 0110/18 a) To review policies/procedures. Cllr Clarke will work through remaining policies					

0176/18	Planning	Planning: The clerk reported that the following planning applications had been received for comment: F/YR18/0960/F - Erection of a 2-storey side extension to existing dwelling involving demolition of existing garage at 2 Woodysfield –. Council to ask planning to make sure that the footpath is not blocked and that any builders' vehicles do not go onto the play area at Morley Way. Otherwise no objections	PA
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0177/18	Highway matters/Street lighting/Transport	a) Street lights reported issues – Cllr. Hennen reported a light on Eastwood End not working. Clerk and chair to liaise with Electrical Testing re snags on recent lights replacement programme. b) Footpaths and highways issues: LHI bid for signage at Honey Farm bend. After application, the officer has reported back that he agrees that we can go forward with the bid, but says the Council's contribution should be 34% = £1000.00. After discussion resolved to still continue and offer £1000.00. Proposed: Cllr Wright Seconded: Cllr Rose All in favour by show of hands. Cllr Clarke said that he is still being asked about the state of Woodman's Way. Cllr Davis explained that the CCC contractors had refused to cut the grass due to the amount of dog mess there, which Cllr Clarke refuted. He uses Woodman's Way all of the time and thinks that the path is reasonably clear of dog mess but badly needs cutting back. Cllr. Davis said that CCC had inspected it and agreed with their contractors that the grass could not be cut. Cllr Davis said that as Parish Council did not own the footpath, we are not in a position to cut it either. Cllr. Wright agreed that it was the responsibility of CCC and for everyone to report their complaints on the CCC website. Cllr Gowing is continuing to chase this issue.	PA/MTD PA
0178/18	War Memorial playing field	Further to minute 0156/18: a) WMPF – Cllr Dent reported that all is well. b) zip wire repair. The clerk reported that the zip wire repair was completed on 12th October. Sharps had been found in one of the waste bins which FDC dealt with immediately Clerk to contact Knowles re concrete footings and fencing. c) CGM quote (e-mailed to Cllrs 29.10.18) CGM had confirmed to the clerk their recommendation to increase the number of cut from 14 to 16 per year. Clerk had replied saying that the arrangement had been that should we need the extra at the end of the season, we could then arrange as necessary. After discussion resolved maintain 14 cuts per year with additional cuts if required. The clerk reported that the rain water drainage was now complete from the toilet block and the contractor reminded to now install the guttering from same.	PA PA
0179/18	Parkfield	Parkfield – a) Cllr Dent reported that business was steady with nothing new to report, the café is still working with specials nights as well	
0180/18	New Cemetery/Churchyard	a) Cemetery. The clerk had obtained a quote from the grass cutting contractors for a 'weed & feed' for the Cemetery grass (e-mailed to Cllrs on 9.11.18) The cost would be £65.00 net. After discussion resolved to have work done. Cllr Dent showed a photo of plot 128 where the concrete plinth had broken Clerk to contact Harris's Proposed: b) St Peters Church see correspondence c) Security fencing. The clerk reported that new fencing had been completed.	
0181/18	Parish Hall	a) building/decoration works. The clerk reported she had obtained 2 quotes for a new roller blind which were £145.00 and £150.49. After discussion resolved to approve Cllr Hennen Cllr Harding Jays cleaning will be asked look at the hall floor to see if it can be cleaned and sealed.	
0182/18	Allotments		
0183/18	Fun Day/Christmas Lights	a) Fun Day: Cllr Rose Reported that nothing new is happening yet for Fun day. b) Christmas Lights: The lights have all been put up in readiness for the switch on. Thanks were recorded for their help to: the Green family (Chapel Cottage Plants), March Electrical, Emmence Studio, Paul Kendall and to those residents who had allowed lights on their properties and to the Lights team themselves who gave up their whole weekend. Cllr Davis said that they had done a great job. Testing is taking place in readiness. A resident had expressed concerns about the depth of the new poles to the clerk. Cllr Rose had had an ex BT engineer work out the depth needed and highways had also been included in the decision and they have no problems. Ground anchors have been concreted in at 2 feet allowing for a little movement. A list of lights placement will be sent to the Council's insurers. c) shed extension. A written quotation had been received this evening of £1880.00. After discussion resolved to agree. Proposed: Cllr Davis; Seconded: Cllr Clarke. all in favour.	
0184/18	Correspondence	The clerk had received a letter of complaint about Woodman's Way from Mr David Freear – forwarded to Cllrs. 17.10.18 – issue discussed at: 0177/18 above. The clerk had received a letter of thanks from St Peters Church for the donation The clerk had received 2 letters of thanks from EACH for the donation.	

		The clerk had received a letter from FDC regarding next year's elections. This to remind councillors to consider whether they wish to stand again next year. Cllr Dent said that there will be a litter pick on Saturday 17th at 10.00 Cllr Rose reported that Whittlesey has now followed our lead in taking up the Green dog walkers initiative. Cllr Davis told of a meeting of Parish and town councils with the Police crime commissioner at Cambourne this Friday. Cllr Wright said that there is a lot of hare coursing in the village and to report this as a 999 crime. The police would also like local intelligence to be reported to them. Cllr Davis reported that we have now been awarded the second MVAS which will arrive on Thursday. The Senior Citizens Advisory Group at Fenland District Council will be using the Golden Age branding as part of a project to identify locations where the good neighbour's scheme will be beneficial. The scheme involves things like time banking whereby skills are swapped for other people's skills. After discussion resolved to ask for further information to enable further more informed discussion as to whether this was something the parish could support.	
0184/18	Date of next meeting	Next meeting: Tuesday 11th December 2018. Meeting closed at: 20.27	