

Wisbech St Mary Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Wisbech St Mary Parish Council held on Monday 13th November 2017 at 7pm at Murrow Village Hall.

Attended by: Councillors B Britain (Chairman), C Allen, P Davies, J Fish, J Humphrey, S Mann, J Newland, A Patrick, D Scrimshaw.

Members of the public 1

Cambridgeshire County Council(CCC) and FDC Cllr S King from 7.20pm.

District Councillor and Parson Drove Parish Councillor G Booth.

OPEN FORUM Nil

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE D Wheeler (Vice-Chairman) due to family bereavement, M Knight due to a Cadet Meeting, CCC Cllr. J French.

2. TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETINGS dated 9th October 2017
The minutes were taken as read, agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES (information only)

(a) The Clerk reported that Cllr Knight had noted that the CCC Public Footpath sign at The Jetty had not yet been replaced. The Clerk to contact CCC.

(b) The Clerk had asked Drive Time to attend to the crack in the new footpath at The Jetty. Cllr Davies reported that Drive Time has offered to attend to the defect at no charge. Councillors were grateful for the offer.

4. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST Nil

5. TO CONSIDER PLANNING MATTERS

1. Planning applications determined by the Fenland District Council (FDC). **September Meeting**
 - (a) F/YR17/0783/F Erection of a single-storey extension to rear of existing dwelling. Leylandii The Pigeons Murrow. **Granted**
 - (d) F/YR17/0784/F Erection of a 1.85m (max height) fence and the formation of a pond (to keep Koi Carp) (retrospective) at Land South of Hazeldene Gull Road Guyhirn. **Refused**
2. Planning applications determined by the Fenland District Council (FDC). **October Meeting**
 - (a) F/YR17/0820/F Erection of a 2-storey, 4-bed dwelling and a detached double garage involving demolition of existing dwelling and outbuilding at The Broad Willock Lane Wisbech St Mary. **Granted**
 - (b) F/YR17/0846/TRTPO. Works to 1 x Oak tree covered by TPO 16/1990 at Oakden 82 Murrow Bank Murrow. **Granted**
 - (c) F/YR17/0787/F Revised Proposals. Erection of a 2-storey 5-bed dwelling with garage and formation of raised patio and change of use of land to extend residential curtilage involving demolition of existing dwelling (part retrospective) at Leighwood Mouth Lane Guyhirn. **Pending Consideration**
 - (d) F/YR17/0903/F Erection of a single-storey extension to the front of existing dwelling involving demolition of conservatory at Elnathan Rummors Lane Wisbech St Mary. **Pending Consideration**
 - (e) F/YR17/0904/F Erection of a 1.8m high (max height) close boarded fence to boundary of existing (retrospective) at At Last High Road Wisbech St Mary **Pending Consideration**
3. Planning applications for discussion:
 - (a) F/YR17/0938/F Erection of an agricultural storage building at The Orchards Fruit Farm Gull Road Guyhirn.
Applicant Mr C Fryett. Agent Mr G Edwards Swann Edwards Architecture Ltd. **Recommend Approval**
 - (b) F/YR17/0943/TE1. Erection of a 17.5m monopole to support 6 x telecommunications antennae and the installation of 2 x dishes and 3 x ground based equipment cabinets at Land North of the Community centre Beechings Close Wisbech St Mary.
Applicant Shared Access Ltd. Agent Pegasus Planning Grout Ltd. **Recommend Approval**

(c) F/YR17/0970/F Erection of a loading and unloading canopy to existing building at Bretts Transport Thorney Road Guyhirn.

Applicant Mr Simon Brett. Agent Peter Humphrey Associates Ltd. **Recommend Approval**

(d) F/YR17/0974/O Erection of up to 5no dwellings (Outline with all matters reserved) at Land South West of The Orchards Gull Road Guyhirn.

Applicant Mr R Yates Mark James Ltd. Agent Distinct Designs UK Ltd. **Recommend Approval**

(e) F/YR17/0975/F Erection of 2-storey rear and single-storey front extensions to existing dwelling involving demolition of existing conservatory and installation of first floor side window at Pear Tree House 114 Murrow Bank Murrow.

Applicant Mr & Mrs R Darroch. Agent Peter Humphrey Associates Ltd. **Recommend Approval**

(f) F/YR17/0986/F Erection of an agricultural building (milking parlour) involving demolition of 2no sheds at Redgate Farm Fen Road Guyhirn.

Applicant Mr J Willis. Agent Morton & Hall Ltd. **Recommend Approval**

(g) F/YR17/1015/F Erection of 2no 3-bed dwellings involving demolition of existing outbuildings at Land South of 14 Selwyn Corner Guyhirn.

Applicant Mr D Loates. Agent Mr G Edwards Swann Edwards Architecture Ltd.

Following discussion, it was **Recommended Refusal** due to over development. Councillors recommended one new property only.

(h) F/2002/17/CW Retrospective change of use to proposed inert waste processing facility and erection of modular two-storey office. MSB Contracting Ltd, Thorney Road, Guyhirn.

Granted subject to conditions. **Noted**

(i) F/YR17/1033/F Erection of a single-storey rear extension to existing dwelling at 33 Churchfield Way Wisbech St Mary.

Applicant Mr & Mrs C Else. Agent Mr Hadleigh Chapman. **Recommend Approval**

(j) F/YR17/1046/F Erection of detached garage to existing dwelling at 13 Lindens Close Thorney Toll.

Applicant Mr T Fairfield. Agent Janice Kendrick Design Services Ltd. **Recommend Approval**

4. Maxey Grounds – Pre-submission consultation. Two proposed dwellings, Gull Drove, Guyhirn. councillors discussed the proposal and concluded subject to detailed plans that one property only was preferred at this stage.

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

(a) Murrow Per-School - The Clerk read a letter of thanks.

(b) Doddington Parish Council – Outreach Councillor Training – The Clerk reported that training details had been circulated.

7. HIGHWAYS MATTERS

(a) Bellamy Bridge – Meeting 10 October 2017

Cllr Booth reported that an application had been submitted and received. CCC were developing detailed proposals and costs which would be paid for on a proportional basis by population. This could mean in the region of £800 per Parish. Signs and lines would also be refreshed from the CCC Maintenance budget.

(b) Jointly Funded Minor Highway Improvements 2018/19

A proposal for Murrow Bank/Sandbank as a third-party contribution scheme has been submitted.

(c) Street Lighting - meeting 19 October

The Clerk reported that Electrical Testing Ltd (ETL) had almost completed the survey and minor repair work. Details of the Parish lighting stock were now available via the internet. ETL would now recommend repairs/replacements and cost the work to enable the Council to decide on the next stage. Cllr Booth added that the Cat 1 and 2 failure rate was 13% - significantly lower than that suggested by Balfour Beatty figures.

8. FINANCE MATTERS

(a) Litter bins at bus shelters quotation. The Clerk reported an estimate received from FDC for providing litter bins at the three new bus shelters £308.74 plus vat each. Cllr Fish explained that there was an existing post mounted litter bin at Lindens close which was not used and could be resited at the new bus shelter. Councillors agreed to accept the quotation for the three new bins and asked the Clerk to explore the cost of moving the existing bin at Thorney Toll.

To approve payment of outstanding accounts:

(b) Clerk October salary	£636.92 LG Act 1972 S112	Agreed
(c) Tax and NI	£198.42 LG Act 1972	Agreed
(d) J Humphrey – supply railway sleepers S196	£250.00 LGMisc Prov Act 1976,	Agreed
(e) Bowles Tree & Garden Services - maintenance S196	£1,090.00 LGMisc Prov Act 1976,	Agreed
(f) Bowles Tree & Garden Services - grass cutting S196	£880.00 LGMisc Prov Act 1976,	Agreed
(g) Bowles Tree & Garden Services - maintenance S196	£280.00 LGMisc Prov Act 1976,	Agreed
(h) Oliver Twist Country Inn – hire	£40.00 LG Act 1972 S134	Agreed
(i) Bowles Tree & Garden Services - maintenance S196	£730.00 LGMisc Prov Act 1976,	Agreed
(j) Bowles Tree & Garden Services - treework maintenance S196	£1,200.00 LGMisc Prov Act 1976,	Agreed
(k) Bowles Tree & Garden Services - maintenance S196	£260.00 LGMisc Prov Act 1976,	Agreed
(l) C Varney – supply of plants S196	£325.00 LGMisc Prov Act 1976,	Agreed
(m) Long Acre Garden Centre – compost S196	£164.99 LGMisc Prov Act 1976,	Agreed
(n) K Clarke – maintain notice boards	£141.00 LG Act 1972 S111	Agreed
(o) K Clarke – war memorial maintenance Powers) Act 1923	£ 295.00 War Memorials (LA	Agreed
(p) Clerk & Councils Direct – subscription	£132.00 LG Act 1972 S143	Agreed
(q) Wisbech Electrical Ltd – replace lamp The Chairman reported that he had discussed the failed lamp with the supplier and they had agreed to withdraw the invoice.	£54.25 Public Health Act 1936 S234	Cancelled
(r) Electrical Testing Ltd – Inspection & testing part 2 S3	£4,074.00 Parish Councils Act 1957	Agreed
(s) Royal British Legion – 3 x wreaths	£51.00 LG Act 1972 S137	Agreed

Grant applications

Nil

9. PARISH PROPERTY

(a) Maintenance

Cllr Newland requested a new hardstanding in the verge opposite the Mouth Lane bus shelter to benefit those passengers travelling towards Wisbech. Councillors agreed.

Cllr Humphrey drew attention to a large and deep rut in the grassed area at Tholomas Drove caused by agricultural plant. Following discussion the Chairman offered to supply topsoil to fill the rut.

(b) Bus Shelters

The Clerk reported that the £4000 s106 contribution to the provision of a bus shelter at Guyhirn had been received from FDC and £750 received from the insurance claim for the vandalised bus shelter base.

(c) Defibrillators - completed

(d) Planters

The Chairman reported that all except two had been planted.

10. HIGH ROAD WISBECH ST MARY – SURFACE WATER DRAINAGE

Cllr Booth reported a meeting was planned for 21 November arranged by the Middle Level Internal Drainage Board and including residents – a key issue would be whether residents were prepared to make a financial contribution. CCC had agreed to make a contribution and to jetting and cleaning gullies and connections.

11. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Booth reported that there had been one full Council meeting and that a consultation regarding Housing Benefit was planned.

Cllr King highlighted the Wisbech Access Strategy, there were events planned to publicise the Plan

and encourage feedback and information on the FDC website. He urged all to respond.

12. POLICE MATTERS

The Clerk reported that he had received an email from PC Dave Russ and replied with Council meeting dates.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (for information only)

1. Cllr Humphrey asked that the Clerk edit emails in order to reduce the high number that are now circulated. The Clerk explained that this was due to the new publicity strategy adopted by FDC such that all Parishes are asked to publicise FDC communications. It was agreed that only issues directly relevant to the Parish should be circulated.

2. Cllr Allen suggested that fencing should be provided on all sides of the Guyhirn War Memorial.

3. Cllr Fish requested the salt bin at Lindens Close be replenished.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 11th December 2017 Thorney Toll Village Hall

DATES OF MEETINGS FOR 2017/18

Monday 15th January 2018 Wisbech St Mary Community Centre

Monday 12th February 2018 Oliver Twist Country Inn

Monday 12th March 2018 Murrow Village Hall

Monday 16th April 2018 Thorney Toll Village Hall

Monday 14th May 2018 Annual Assembly and AGM Wisbech St Mary Community Centre

Meeting closed at 8.25 pm

Signed: Cllr. B Britain, Chairman