

LONGSTOWE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 19th September 2013 at 7.15pm
in Longstowe Village Hall

Present: Cllr Barbara Cooper (Chairperson)
Cllr W Bevan
Cllr Ben Holland
Bobbie Coe – Clerk

Also present: Cllr S Kindersley, Cllr B Smith

35 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr G Hemmins, Cllr D Rolls, PCSO Karen Mahoney 7238

36 THE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Minutes of 18th July 2013 were agreed and signed.

37 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Cllr B Smith reported that the development of the proposed large-scale sites at Bourn Airfield and the land west of Cambourne will have significant impact on the roads around Longstowe, in particular the A428 and B1198. The Council was encouraged to take part in the consultation exercise which runs until the 14th October.

The proposal for the Community Infrastructure Levy, which in part replaces S106 contributions to parish councils, is also being consulted upon. Parish Councils will receive less money from development under this scheme. Delayed discharge from Addenbrookes Hospital last winter resulted in hundreds of operations being cancelled. This was due in part to poor communications between the various agencies involved in patient care. It is hoped that improved technology and investment into reducing A&E admissions will improve the situation this winter.

New carer assessments: Of the 60,000 local carers who need assessments, only 3,000 have so far been completed. This will become a statutory responsibility once the new Carers Bill has been adopted.

Cllr S Kindersley reported on the introduction of parking fees at the Park & Ride sites around Cambridge. This impacts disproportionately on South Cambs residents, especially the poorly paid. LPC to write to CCC to complain. Cllr Kindersley also reported that the discussions on our Bus Service are to resume.

38 MATTERS ARISING/TO REPORT FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- a) Longstowe speed limits: Cllr B Cooper reported: 38 questionnaires returned; 95% in favour of reducing the speed limits; no speed bumps; a promising amount of money towards the costs. Arrington and Bourn PCs to be contacted.
- b) Rushbrook Close Trees: A meeting between Accent Nene and Cllr G Hemmins to be arranged.

- c) Visibility at the Fox junction following the installation of the olive-green box for telecommunications: still waiting for report.
- d) Parish Paths Partnership Scheme: Cllr B Cooper to speak to Mr Gaskin.
- e) Footpath problems in the region of Middle Farm: still waiting for report.
- f) Sinking drain covers on the B1046 by St John's Farm and outside the Old Post Office on both sides, next to the 40 mph sign: Report states that the low gullies will be inspected and there is an order on to dig and clean gullies near to St John's Farm. Still waiting for latest report.

39 MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA
None received.

40 FINANCE

- a) Section 106 Agreement: Community facilities: £371; Open space facilities: £2,244.90. This must be used within 10 years. Clerk to seek advice on spending possibilities.
- b) CAPALC: Invoice: two-day course £200.
- c) Annual Audit completed. Audit notice to be displayed.
- d) Clerk's pay + expenses: £1016.03; HMRC: £236.44 .

41 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

- a) Planning application no. S/1451/13/FL: SCDC approval noted.
- b) Appeal by FALCK RENEWABLES for site at land off the Ermine Way, Arrington: Public hearing: Cambourne, 24/09/2013. Clerk to attend.

42 TO CONSIDER OTHER MATTERS

- a) Response to Local Plan: building houses on Bourne Airfield: Cllr B Cooper will respond to Caldecote Parish Council.
- b) Response to Local Plan: building more houses at Cambourne. Response should be left to individuals.
- c) Response to Local Plan: Extending village envelope in Longstowe. It was recommended that this should be examined in depth before the next Local Plan.
- d) Response to Local Plan: Little Gransden Parish Council re Liaison group of villages affected by development. It was decided that no action be taken at this time.
- e) Longstowe residents – keeping in touch: Cllr B Cooper to set up an e-mail address list.
- f) SCDC: Community Infrastructure Levy: Preliminary draft charging schedule. Cllr B Cooper to report at next meeting.

43 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a) PCSO Karen Mahoney 7238: Speedwatch guidelines to be circulated to Cllrs.

44 SKYLARK – TO CONSIDER ANY EDITORIAL ISSUES

45 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 17th October 2013 at 7.15pm

Signed by:.....
Chairperson

Date: