

Minutes of a Meeting of FULBOURN PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday, 10th July 2024 in The Swifts, Haggis Gap, Fulbourn.

Present: Councillor Smith (Chairman), and Councillors Butler, Drage, Gaskell, Howell, Johnson, Lacey, Lockwood, Roberts and Thorn; County Councillor Daunton, the Clerk and 11 parishioners.

The Chairman, Cllr Smith began the meeting with news that Councillor Roberts will be resigning after today's meeting. Cllr Smith thanked Cllr Roberts for her time and hard work.

25 Parish Council Vacancy/Vacancies – Co-option for Resolution.

Mary Drage had expressed interest in joining the Council, having been a councillor previously. Having signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office, she was welcomed to the meeting by Council. Cllr Drage thanked Council and said she was happy to be back.

26 To accept apologies for absence.

Councillors Andrews, Brown, Viner and District Councillors Williams and Cone.

27 To notify the clerk of any declarations of interest that will be declared by members for any item to be discussed.

Public & Press - You are invited to attend the whole meeting and are welcome to speak at our Open Forum at the beginning of the meeting.

Anglian Water (AW) 3 members of staff attended to discuss the issues down Stonebridge Lane:

Emily Linsdell – Regional Engagement Advisor

Lucy Hodge – Water Recycling Network Manager

Josh Lucas – Maintenance Support Technician

Emily started by stating that it has been one of the wettest winters on record. All AW assets have been inundated. The assets are working as they should, however additional flow is getting into the pipes, including rain water, ground water etc and this is what is causing issues. Geoff Andrews (resident of Stonebridge lane) said Stonebridge lane has been a nightmare the last few months – there has been sewerage, mud and water flowing down the road. Elderly residents have had to walk through and AW have not done anything. Geoff had a visit from Adam from AW earlier in the day, who told him they will rectify all the issues. Lucy was able to confirm that all damage caused will get sorted, including fixing the fence and the road/verges. Lucy is also currently receiving quotes to fix the pot holes and will keep us updated.

Paul Mardon (resident of Stonebridge lane) asked if the pumps were working all the time. Josh confirmed both pumps have been working at maximum capacity and worked to the best of their abilities. One pump was replaced 2 years ago, and the other was replaced last summer, which was before the issues started.

Roger Fletcher (resident of Stonebridge Lane) asked if they have any intention of looking at the sewerage that went down Stonebridge lane, as this suggests a break in the pipe. The sewerage should be different system to the ground/rain water.

Mr Fletcher requested a full report, including the circumstances that brought the situation about, what AW will do in the future and how to rectify the current issues.

Cllr Daunton pointed out that communication was non-existent, and asked why it was necessary to use so many tankers for so long. Cllr Daunton would like to be kept informed of when all the repairs will happen and requests the residents will be informed too.

Regarding the tankers, AW appreciate that tankering is not ideal. It is used as a last resort and as a short term solution. Lucy confirmed the tankers were put in place for environmental reasons – to stop pollution and they worked closely with the environmental board on this.

The reason there were so many tankers was due to the system being so full there had to be that many. AW again committed to better communication if this situation were to happen again.

Tankering has now stopped because there has been slightly less rainfall, however they will be reinforcing the road in case tankers are needed again.

Katie Flook (resident of Stonebridge Lane) asked what will be done going forward. Lucy mentioned that ground water levels are 10 metres higher than in previous years and this is an issue all over Cambridge. Lucy then explained that they need to wait for the levels to reduce further before they can investigate what went wrong. AW are only funded to take foul water. However from what they can tell so far, the issue is other types of water (ground, rain etc) getting into their pipes, which means the issue is multiagency. AW have started communications with Cambridge Council, highways, drainage board etc.

Katie Flook asked what happens if the water levels just don't go down? Can AW get bigger pumps? AW explained the pumps are not a retention source. Also pointed out they are not in a position to put in storm tanks as the station has not been designed to accommodate this. They also cannot just make sewers bigger as the flow would be too little in the summer so it wouldn't work. Therefore focus is on removing the water that shouldn't be there

Cllr Smith asked if the pump station can be made secure as it is not secure at the moment; the wooden gate is broken and the other day the metal gate was left open. Josh has agreed to look at this.

Cllr Roberts asked to let us know if we can do anything – e.g. put in water butts at the sports hall, which could then supply the allotments. Lucy suggested letting Parishioners know they can go to the Cambridge water website as funding is available for water saving in your home e.g. water butts.

Cllr Smith asked if AW are discharging from Teversham into the chalk stream and with the new housing developments parishioners are worried the system won't cope. AW explained the pre development team has had 2 applications through; Teversham road and Ida Darwin developments. The team proactively go out and check new housing developments, however surface water from the developments is not coming into AW networks – they will only be taking the foal flow.

Regarding the chalk stream, AW explained during heaving rainfall the sewerage works does go in to storm mode, which means it gets discharged into the stream. But all storm overflows are permitted by the environmental agency because most of what comes out is surface water. But they do have a storm overflow reduction plan with DEFRA at the moment to work on this. Chalk stream are being prioritised so they will get back to the PC with an update on this. It is now visible to see on the website if it goes to discharge/over flow – part of AW trying to be transparent.

The team will take the action to better communicate with residence and the Parish Council. They are also happy to put together a report as requested by parishioners.

28 To receive reports from County and District Councillors.

28.1 County Councillor Daunton issued the attached report. Cllr Daunton met with drainage workers this morning to look at the gully by the pharmacist which needs to be sorted, along with Cow Lane and Hinton Road/Teversham Road junction – photos taken and work has been ordered. All other gully's round the village appear to be clear.

Still waiting on Cadent for proposed work. Ben Ely still had not heard from network rail.

Cllr Daunton, Cllr Smith and the Clerk met down Fulbourn Old Drift to look at lighting possibilities. In touch with Balfour Beatty who will come down with their designer to discuss. Site meeting to be arranged with Cllr Daunton, residents of Geoffrey Bishop and Council to see where the trees need to come down and where we might want other trees to go.

28.2 District Councillors Williams and Hofman issued the attached joint report.

28.3 District Councillor Cone issued the attached report.

All reports were accepted.

29 To approve the minutes of the last meeting.

<p>The Minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.</p>	<p>1547</p>
<p>30 Matters arising from the last meeting.</p>	
<p>30.1 <u>Fulbourn Hub</u> – Scout head office has asked for a missing clause to be added to the lease. Cllr Drage to work with Clerk to figure out if this is acceptable/relevant.</p>	
<p>30.2 <u>Mobile speeding device</u> The device will move to Teversham road for a few weeks, then back to Shelford Road. Concerning buying a new device, Cllr Drage suggested solar instead of battery. Wilbrahams have one. Cllr Daunton to send the Clerk contact details to buy from County Council.</p>	<p>MD, Clerk</p>
<p>30.3 <u>Swifts Play Area</u> The Clerk to suggest a meeting on Tuesday 23rd July with Accent. Cllr Bramwell informed Council there is a new customer partner. Ongoing issues with the lights outside the Swifts; they are on our board and we are paying service charge, even though they aren't working.</p>	<p>CD</p>
<p>30.4 <u>Install defibrillator Hinton/Tev Road</u> Permission has been given from Greene King, Clerk is still investigating buying a new one. Ambulance service is telling people to go to the High Street. The Clerk is in contact with the Ambulance Services Manager who thinks they have solved the issue.</p>	
<p>30.5 <u>All Sub Committees to arrange meetings</u> Cllr Gaskell to go on Townley Trust board; Cllr Thorn to stay on Finance</p>	
<p>30.6 <u>Demolition of Old Scout Hut</u> Gas and elec needs to come out first, which Cllr Lockwood is coordinating (within her Scouts role)</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>30.7 <u>New/Refurbished pavilion</u> Cllr Smith to call a meeting with interested parties and architect</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>30.8 <u>LHI Bid</u> Cllr Daunton confirmed council will hear answer in Sept, not July. If we do not get the bid then Cllr Thorn proposed still painting white lines to guide the traffic</p>	<p>TL</p>
<p>30.9 <u>Broken Rocking horse</u> Council voted and approved the repairs quote from Wickstead.</p>	
<p>30.10 <u>Road closure for Remembrance parade</u> Clerk to contact Fulbourn Arts/Scouts/other potential groups, to see if they would like to undergo the training. Once volunteers have been found, Council will vote to approve the funding of the training. Cllrs Howel and Bramwell will think about volunteering.</p>	<p>DS Clerk</p>
<p>30.12 <u>Community assets</u> – Cllr Drage is happy to be on working group if needed.</p>	
<p>30.13 <u>Village walk</u> – Clerk to set a few dates, both evening and weekend, for different areas of the village and allow Councillors to sign up to the ones they can attend.</p>	
<p>31 Tree works:</p>	
<p>24/0640/TTCA, St Vigors Church Church Lane - Proposal: T1-T7: Limes - Raise crowns over highway to 5m - Trees are being hit by high sided vehicles</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>Disclaimer: Fulbourn Parish Council Tree Officer and the Parish Council accept no liability for the advice given above.</p>	
<p>Tree works need looking at from Michael Downs report. Mostly concerning maintenance on the trees. Clerk to find report.</p>	
<p>32 Correspondence.</p>	
<p>32.1 Cambridgeshire Acre – Invitation to join the rural affordable housing mythbuster tour. Cllr Gaskell has registered to attend.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>32.2 GCP (Greater Cambridge Partnership) – June 2024 Construction Greenways update; Waterbeach, Linton and Foxton/Shepreth/Melbourn/Meldreth</p>	
<p>32.3 CAPALC – July Newsletter</p>	
<p>32.4 Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS – How are you South Cambs June newsletter</p>	
<p>32.5 Parishioner – request for a dog poo bin in the Haven – previously Council has said at least 2 different parties need to have made a request.</p>	
<p>32.6 CCC – TTRO (Temporary Traffic Road Order) for Geoffrey Bishop Avenue from 12th</p>	

August to 30th September

32.7 **Richard Hames** – Courtesy email about a project to restore the windmill – Cllr Smith to arrange to meet Richard to find out more about plans.

32.8 **South Cambs** – Reminder for Cambridge East Community Forum meeting on Tuesday 9 July. Next meeting will be 6 November. Cllr Daunton attended the meeting and updated council on the ongoing work at Marleigh and the bringing forward of building a community space at the site.

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32.9 **RedAct Solutions** – Updated the website accessibility statement (Policy Documents)

32.10 **GCP** – Joshua Valdez who is managing the design and delivery of the Fulbourn Greenway would like to hold a teams meeting to discuss progress of Phase 1.

32.11 **CCC** – TTRO for Teversham road, 5th – 16th August

32.12 **GCSP** (Great Cambridge Shared Planning) - Request for information in regard to monitoring the implementation of the policies in the neighbourhood plan

33 To resolve the accounts for the month.

Greg Marshall: Yellow lines....485.00	Stannah: annual lift maintenance....205.44
Internal auditor fees.....300.00	Dor2Dor: delivering pump.....264.13
Pristine: Hygiene contract.....445.20	TH Tree Surgery: Tree works.....1,500.00
SP Landscapes: Grass cutting.2820.00	D Lambert: Window cleaning.....30.00
Smith of Derby: Pavilion clock...307.20	
Clerk: Wages.....1300.00	Admin Assist: Wages.....498.33
Handyman: Wages.....154.00	
Npower: Street lights.....223.35	The Mill: Advert Feb-Dec 24.....75.60
British Gas: Hub gas.....140.38	British Gas: Hub electricity.....193.92

Cllr Johnson proposed accepting the accounts, proposal seconded by Cllr Thorn and agreed by the Council.

34 Council Committees and Remote Meetings.

Planning Meeting. Minutes of a Meeting held on 01/07/2024 were issued.
Hub User Meeting. Minutes of a Meeting held on 09/07/2024 were issued. The Clerk brought up the issue of emergency access within the Hub, which Cllr Smith is going to continue investigating and fix.

35 To receive items for inclusion on the next Agenda for decision and/or action.

No items were received.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 9:45pm.