

Minutes of the Pidley-cum-Fenton Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 14th November 2018 at 7.30pm in The Village Hall, Pidley

Present: Chair Ms Charlie Lowe, Mr Robert Johnson, Mr Tim Ward, Mrs Louise Clowery, Mr David Hopkins, Mrs Christine Paynter, Mrs Tracey Davidson (Clerk)

Also present: 18 x members of the public & Cllr Steve Criswell & Cllr Jill Tavener

	<p>Open forum</p> <p>The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all present to raise any concerns with items on the agenda. A healthy discussion around the LHI submission and Oldhurst Road and High Street including chicanes, speed humps and lighting. It was agreed to bring this item forward on the agenda and to allow further discussion during the meeting.</p> <p>A question around the budget took place and what outstanding payments were due. The clerk confirmed that all outstanding payments were allocated within the accounts for this financial year and the only large invoice outstanding is for the CCC works to the High Street.</p> <p>Damage to the road surface on Pidley Sheep Lane is to be reported to CCC. The clerk will do this and others are encouraged to report also. It was raised that the farm adjacent to planning application 18/02263/OUT is a working farm and there are no plans to change this. The applicant confirmed they are fully aware of this and enjoy seeing the livestock out.</p> <p>The meeting opened at 7.50p.m.</p>	Clerk
117	Declarations of interest for items on the agenda – Mr David Hopkins item 130 ref: 18/02263/OUT & 18/02251/HHFUL	
118	Apologies for absence – Cllr Graham Bull	
119	<p>Co-opt new member – Mr Michael Haines expressed an interest in becoming a parish councillor. All members supported his expression of interest and formally co-opted Michael onto the council. The clerk is to share all necessary paperwork with Mr Haines and will update HDC with the changes.</p> <p><i>(Proposed Mr David Hopkins, seconded Mrs Christine Paynter. All agreed.)</i></p>	Clerk
120	Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 10th October 2018 to be approved and signed by the Chairman – the Chair signed the minutes. <i>(Proposed Mr David Hopkins, seconded Mrs Louise Clowery. All agreed.)</i>	
121	Matters arising from previous minutes – None.	
122	<p>County Council & District Council reports – Cllr Criswell advised it is the parish conference on the 23rd November. He also confirmed that there was little to share from the county but was happy to answer any questions. He will liaise directly with the member of public who raised the HCV query.</p> <p>A question regarding the likelihood of getting a weight restriction through the village was asked and Cllr Criswell advised this is part of a wider scheme of reducing large HCV from local roads. Work continues on this project.</p> <p>Cllr Jill Tavener advised nothing to report from HDC. The waste site in Warboys has a traffic management scheme as a condition to stop vehicles from using the village, however, if any are spotted they are to be reported to CCC immediately.</p> <p>A suggestion to carry out a lorry watch to see what vehicles are using the village was raised and will be discussed at the next meeting.</p>	<p>Cllr Criswell</p> <p>Clerk</p>
123	FY2017/18 Accounts to end October 2018 – the clerk shared the accounts electronically for October. The income was from the VAT rebate and interest on a CIL payment. October income - £722.44	

	October expenditure - £418.40 (Proposed Mr David Hopkins, seconded Mr Tim Ward. All agreed)	
124	Accounts for payment for October payments – Ms Charlie Lowe & Mr David Hopkins signed the cheques. Full detail of all cheques signed can be found as appendix 1 . (Proposed Ms Charlie Lowe, seconded Mr David Hopkins. All agreed.)	
125	Approve budget FY19/20 – the clerk shared the proposed budget for FY19/20 electronically and it was agreed as a result of the LHI submission to increase the precept to £11500.00. The clerk will amend the figures to include this and LHI expenditure to £7341.00. The clerk advised that this will use some of the surplus which is sitting in the bank account. A new budget heading is to be added called Footpath to show the money going towards the improvements to the footpath to Somersham. (Proposed Mrs Christine Paynter, seconded Mr David Hopkins. All agreed.)	Clerk
126	Agree precept FY19/20 – It was agreed to increase the precept to £11,500.00 for FY19/20 to allow for the additional speed cushions on Oldhurst Road. (Proposed Mr David Hopkins, seconded Mrs Louise Clowery. All agreed.)	Clerk
127	CAPALC membership – the clerk suggested with a new clerk requiring more training and CAPALC offices in Pidley that it made more sense having an annual membership with CAPALC. The clerk is to check the price for the remainder of the year but all agreed the cost savings on training by being a member. (Proposed Mrs Christine Paynter, seconded Ms Charlie Lowe. All agreed.)	Clerk
128	Appoint new clerk – Ms Charlie Lowe and the clerk met with Mrs Louise Clowery to discuss the post and recommended that Mrs Clowery be appointed as the new clerk. The terms of reference are to be discussed in a closed session following this meeting. (Proposed Mr David Hopkins, seconded Mr Tim Ward. All agreed.)	
129	Approve new clerk training – the clerk suggested that Louise completes the SLCC online training to give a good understanding of the role and all it entails. The training can be completed in your own time and therefore is more flexible. It was agreed the cost of the training at £99 + VAT was good value and that Louise Clowery should register for this. (Proposed Mr Tim Ward, seconded Ms Charlie Lowe. All agreed.)	
130	Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18/02263/OUT – proposed erection of two storey single dwelling & garage and associated works – Eden House, High Street, Pidley. A question around the sewerage was asked and it was confirmed there was space to go into the existing pot. A vote took place with a majority voting to APPROVE the application. (Proposed Mr Tim Ward, seconded Mrs Louise Clowery. All agreed with the exception of Mr Robert Johnson and Mr David Hopkins who abstained) 18/02265/FUL – construction of single dwelling house with garage and amenity land. Land east of Pond Farm, Oldhurst Road, Pidley. Concern with visibility were raised however, the PC were happy with the proposal if CCC Highways support the entrance. A vote took place with the majority voting to APPROVE the application. (Proposed Ms Charlie Lowe, seconded Mr Tim Ward. All agreed with the exception of Mr Robert Johnson who abstained.) 18/02251/HHFUL – construction of rear single-storey extension and insertion of roof lights. The Old Club House, Fen Road, Pidley. Mr David Hopkins left the room at this point. A discussion around the proposal took place and all agreed that no harm was being caused and therefore voted to APPROVE the application. (Proposed Mr Tim Ward, seconded Mrs Louise Clowery. All agreed.) 18/01743/FUL – Land North of East View, Warboys Road, Pidley DMC. The clerk advised that this application was going to DMC on Monday 19th November as a departure application. Mr David Hopkins re-joined the meeting. 	

131	Community Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Plan – Mrs Christine Paynter asked Mr David Hopkins if he was going to replace the corner piece from the pond. Mr Hopkins confirmed this would be done. As the pond is $\frac{3}{4}$ full by natural measures it was agreed to allow nature to continue to fill the pond. Mrs Christine Paynter has purchased plants for the planters and these will be planted in the next week or two. The handyman has advised that during the winter months he would prefer to do less hours. All are to send Mrs Christine Paynter any jobs which require doing so she can pass onto him. Thanks to Mr Bendle for the excellent work over the last year. • Play park – Mrs Louise Clowery advised there was nothing to report following the quarterly inspection. A meeting to discuss where the outdoor gym equipment is to take place outside of the PC meetings with Mr David Hopkins and Mrs Louise Clowery. 	<p>All</p> <p>Louise Clowery/ David Hopkins</p>
132	Village Maintenance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SID – share results – Mr Tim Ward advised he hadn't had time to analyse the results as yet. The SID has been moved to Warboy's Road. • Weight restriction – following the last meeting the clerk was tasked with finding out how the PC can go about trying to get a weight restriction on the B1040. An email from Andhika Caddy – Policy & Regulation Engineer at CCC was read out and it highlighted that it is incredibly unlikely that the PC would get a weight restriction working alone. Cllr Criswell advised that a larger project team are working on trying to reduce the large vehicles through all the local villages and it is more likely to be successful than the PC going solo. • CCC00298457 – Oak Tree, Ashfield House. The clerk shared the details with all councillors as CCC have advised the work could take 3 months to be completed. • CCC00298458 – Trees, Grass Area, Pond Close. The clerk shared the details with all councillors as CCC have advised the work could take 3 months to be completed. • LHI19/20 – submission detail. The clerk shared 2 options for the submission. Option 1 is for a chicane to be installed on the High Street and further white lining at a total cost of £10,679 with a £3000 parish contribution and Option 2 is for this plus 2 pairs of speed cushions on Oldhurst Road at a total cost of £17,340 with a £7,341 parish contribution. The clerk made it clear that if Option 2 was supported that there would be no consultation as to where the speed cushions were placed as there are limited options. The clerk will present the bid to the LHI panel on 10th December. A discussion around both options took place. Cllr Criswell advised he will support the option favoured by the parish council but made it clear that it is a parish decision. He also advised that CCC are more likely to support a scheme which has a majority of local support. A healthy discussion took place and 5 councillors voted for option 2 with one councillor abstaining from voting. Mr Michael Haines abstained as he had insufficient detail of either scheme or the project as a whole. <i>(Proposed Mrs Louise Clowery, seconded Mr David Hopkins. All agreed with exception of Mrs Christine Paynter and Mr Michael Haines who abstained)</i> • Fenton - £3k options. A discussion around what SID to purchase and where it is to be located took place. It was agreed to purchase the solar option of the ElanCity SID and Mr Tim Ward is to speak with the resident to obtain permission to erect the post on the front garden. The clerk is to arrange the purchase of the SID. <i>(Proposed Mr David Hopkins, seconded Mr Tim Ward. All agreed.)</i> • Newsletter – Ms Charlie Lowe discussed the newsletter with Sandra Johnson and all agreed that the content was adequate. Anyone not receiving the newsletter electronically is to contact Sandra. The clerk is to promote this on the website. 	<p>Tim Ward</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
133	Correspondence received <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remembrance effort – the clerk shared correspondence received from a member of the public praising Pidley on its efforts. The Chair thanked Gil, Simon & Kevin for all 	

	<p>their efforts and all those who turned out to remember those we lost.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerks & Councils direct – the clerk shared the monthly magazine and gave to Mrs Louise Clowery as useful information. • The Trussell Trust – food collection will be open in large Tesco stores from 29th November to 1st December collecting for this great cause. Tesco will top up the donations with a 20% financial contribution. • A14 update including closures – the clerk shared the latest communication regarding the weekend closures and continues to keep the facebook page updated with closures and A14 details. More details can be obtained by visiting: www.highwaysengland.co.uk/A14C2H • Philip Ellington – LHI raised concern with the PC not listening to the views from residents in Oldhurst Road. The PC feel that the changes to the LHI submission to include speed cushions on Oldhurst Road address these concerns. • Update from CCC – housing crisis, floodlights. Ms Charlie Lowe raised these concerns which were highlighted by SCDC. She asked that anyone who installs security lights should think about the impact they may have on neighbours. 	
134	<p>Any other business –</p> <p>The clerk is to chase the outstanding repairs to the street light along Warboy's Road. <i>Post meeting note: Balfour Beatty have confirmed it should be completed within the December work schedule as it has missed the November schedule.</i></p> <p>Ms Charlie Lowe advised the cost to install new street lamp columns is approximately £2,000 per unit.</p> <p>The clerk shared maps received from CCC Highways and Footpaths Officer showing the adopted roads and footpaths which are maintained by CCC. She is to share these electronically with all councillors.</p> <p>The clerk advised that there is an additional meeting to discuss the Warboy's landfill application purely to address items: noise to western end of Fenside road & effects of water vapour released from the proposed waste water treatment plant chimney on local atmospheric conditions. This meeting is to be held at Hire Hall on 13th December.</p> <p>The meeting closed for the councillors to discuss the terms of reference for the new clerk.</p>	Clerk

Meeting closed 9.35pm

Next meeting: 12th December 2018

Dates of Future Parish Council Meetings –2019

Wednesday	9 th January	2019	Wednesday	10 th July	2019
Wednesday	13 th February	2019	Wednesday	14 th August	2019
Wednesday	13 th March	2019	Wednesday	11 th September	2019
Wednesday	10 th April	2019	Wednesday	9 th October	2019
Wednesday	8 th May	2019	Wednesday	13 th November	2019
Wednesday	12 th June	2019	Wednesday	11 th December	2019