

#### 4 Clerk's / Chairman/s report

Retirement – a letter of thanks received from RCT Adams for his retirement gift.

Code of Conduct – we adopted the Code of Conduct in May (min 229/5-07). This must be advertised in the local paper. To save costs CPALC are preparing a block advertisement. In order to take advantage of this I had to agree that the date of adoption is 1<sup>st</sup> September 2007. **Can we amend the adoption date to 1<sup>st</sup> September?** CPALC are running a Code of Conduct seminar.

Boundary Fence - ??

Highway matters: - (plan on OHP)

**Bollards** - Bob Howard is dealing with damaged bollards and lighting column at pinch point Ely Road. He is also investigating concrete cover on chamber on Pond Green (near village sign) which appears to need strengthening.

**Flooding** (Butt Lane and Willow Crescent) – BH is waiting for a drainage plan.

Path adjacent 255 The Rowans is not adopted so CCC will not cut back shrubs (for Maintenance committee to discuss). CCC will cut back other areas.

**Patching Hall End** - The patching is temporary fill to a pothole. Permanent patching will be done in the future.

**Bus Shelter Landbeach Road** – BH will try to extend hard standing. I have asked for hard standing.

**Trees Fen Road** (beyond level crossing) – he is waiting for contractor to give a price.

**Potholes Fen Road** – is arranging for them to be filled in.

**Service** – Richard Preston (Head of Network Management) apologises for the service that we have been having recently “ The introduction of our new highway services contract has meant some delays.....resulting in a backlog of work.....” CCC will arrange to meet with us after the summer holidays on a “County Councillor patch basis”.

**Double Yellow Lines** - now approved by CCC for third party funding for double yellow lines at the Jane Coston bridge by Richard Preston at an initial cost of £250 for the advert (implementation should not exceed a few hundred pounds but a more detailed quote will be provided) BUT I asked Patrick Joyce (Cycling Officer) “when we last met with you and Alistair you talked of putting down double yellow lines as part of the Park & Ride cycle scheme”.

Alistair has replied: “The short answer is yes I intended to take this forward using P&R budget.”

Timescale: “once we get on site I will start the process. I want to wait until everyone is back from holiday, start October Alistair.”

Five businesses on the industrial estate have written to CCC asking for double yellow lines.

Land adjacent A14 -

Crime – recent Neighbourhood Policing meeting discussed speeding, criminal damage and anti-social behaviour, areas of Milton looking “tired” and secluded spaces which could facilitate criminal activity. Milton was poorly represented at the meeting.

Histon Neighbourhood Newsletter received. (Copy on file if you wish to read it).

South Cambs Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership Community Safety Strategy 2005-2008 Annual Review 2006-07 received.

Telephone – I have arranged for both the office telephone and youth building phone to be classified as a business line. This means that the entry for MILTON PARISH COUNCIL should be listed in the new phone book correctly. For your information this simple exercise has taken hours of my time (and Jane's) and left us without broadband for about 3 weeks. I notice a “**payment processing fee**” of **£4.50** – as we do not pay by direct debit or by monthly plan.

Urban Renaissance Villages – (EDF site – proposed retirement village) - public exhibition bowls pavilion Thursday 27 September 3-8pm.

Polling District Review - it has been suggested that the clerk writes to SCDC proposing that Chesterton Fen residents use part of an existing polling station in Chesterton