

PARISH OF MILTON

**The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on
Monday 15 May 2017 at 7.30pm in the
**BOWLS PAVILION
COLES ROAD****

9 May 2017

AGENDA

- 1 Introduction by Chairman and apologies for absence**
- 2 Introduction of Parish Councillors**
- 3 To confirm minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on 16 May 2016
(Appendix I)**
- 4 Chairman's Annual Report including draft accounts 2016/17**
- 5 Charities' report
(Tabled)**
- 6 Milton Community Centre report
(Tabled)**
- 7 Milton Action for Youth
(Tabled)**
- 8 County Councillor's report
(Tabled)**
- 8 District Councillors' reports
(Tabled)**
- 9 Question and Answer Session**

J E Coston
Chairman Milton Parish Council

APPENDIX I

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 16 May 2016 at 7.30p.m. in the Bowl's Pavilion, Milton

Present: J E Coston (Chair), D Stirrups, R J Farrington, G Heaney, D Burch, H M Smith,
R T Summerfield, D Owen and A Bradnam
S E Wilkin, Acting Clerk
6 members of the public

Apologies: T Leavens – personal, M Payne – personal
County Cllr. M Leeke

1. **Introduction by Chairman and apologies for absence:** The Chairman extended a warm welcome to everyone present at the meeting.
2. **Introduction of Parish Councillors:** The Parish Councillors introduced themselves. The Chair reported that the council are several members short and made an appeal for new members to join.
3. **To confirm minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on 13 April 2015:** The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting on the 13 April 2015 were approved and signed.

4. **Chairman's Annual Report including draft accounts 2015/16**

The Chairman's report was circulated and included the following: New facilities at North Lodge Park, Play Areas, Open Space and Village Facilities, Memorial and Grass Cutting, Street Light Consultation, School Bus Campaign, Street Cleaning and Volunteers, Bus Stops, Cemetery, Allotments, Maintenance, Community Care, Milton Trolley Bus, Youth, Planning, an approach for a new development in the village, Parish Office, Staff and Contractors, Christmas Tree Lights, Committees, Working Groups and Representatives of the Parish Council, Finance, and the Draft Annual Return.

JEC also reported that the Youth Club was under threat of closure and that the Milton archaeologist was concerned about the possible new development in Fen Road and the PC had therefore put in an application to have it scheduled with English Heritage.

5. **Charities' Report - Report for the Year to 31/12/2014**

A total of £2,892 was received in rent from tenants who farm on land owned by the Charity.

Investment Income amounted to £519.

The Charity administers 9 Lifeline Alarms for Milton residents and the holders of these alarms provided a total of £375 towards the cost of this facility.

The Charity donated £2,500 during the year to the Community Care Scheme, administered by the Parish Council and £500 towards the cost of tree maintenance within the village.

Andy Gray
Clerk, Milton Parochial Charities

6. **Milton Community Centre Report**

Bookings

These continue very much as in previous years, with the main building being used most of the time during the day and every week day evening. Weekends are also very busy, even though Saturday night parties are not so popular.

The Annexe continues to be used by Kids-R-U's, before and after school or all day during school holidays. It is also used for children's entertainment (Mr Melody) on a Wednesday morning and for children's dance on Friday + Saturday mornings. Children's birthday parties are held on Saturday afternoons and Sundays, on average twice a month.

The Youth Building hosts the Youth Club on a Tuesday evening, Young Carers use the facilities every other Wednesday afternoon and Cavalry Chapel use it in the evening on the first and third Friday of the month.

Maintenance and Improvements

The following work has been carried out during the last year:

- The changing rooms at the Sycamores Pavilion have been completely refurbished
- The damaged high level barrier at the Sycamores Recreation Ground has been replaced
- There are new tables and chairs in the Annexe
- The 3 tennis/netball courts have been professionally cleaned

Staff

Besides myself, there are 3 staff members – Kevin, Ray and Philip, who share some of the cleaning duties and lock the buildings up in the evenings and at weekends.

Village Fayre

In the absence of a Village Fayre Committee, this event will not take place this year

Andy Gray
Community Centre Manager

7. County Councillor's Report

ML had sent in his report, the main topics being the new Cambridge North Railway Station; County Council Budget and Devolution.

8. District Councillor's reports from Hazel Smith and Anna Bradnam

The main headings included: Devolution, Boundary Changes with the Boundary Commission insisting we reduce the number of Councillors from 57 to 45 in 2018, City Del, Shared services with SCDC/Huntingdon DC and Cambridge City to save costs, A14 improvements, new pedestrian and cycle bridge across the River Cam, Chesterton sidings development (CNFE), Landfill Liaison meetings, Local Plan problems, Ermine Street Housing, Council house building, Cycle path widening beside the Jane Coston cycle bridge.

9. Question and Answer Session

Questions from the public included:

North Lodge Park

Q When was the Pavilion and Recreation Ground due to be handed over?

A JEC explained that this was likely to tomorrow when all the parties, the documents and insurance were in place.

Q What was happening about the sports pitches so that they would be ready for playing on?

A JEC reported that there could be a meeting in principle with Peter Jones/David Burch/Bob Waters and the contractor to discuss the maintenance issues concerning the grass.

Q Should the footpath be topped up around the woodland area

A Bellway said it had been topped up to the correct depth.

Q Who was going to use the Pavilion/Sports pitches at North Lodge?

A Milton Colts would be using them in the first instance and enquiries had been received regarding using the Pavilion for parties.

Q Who is going to manage the Pavilion?

A The PC is planning on managing it in the first instance and oversee the fitting out, administration, cleaning and bookings.

Questions were also asked concerning the landscaping, tree works and bird boxes. These items are/or will be dealt with by the Residents Association and SCDC.

Widening of the A14

Q Was the widening of the A14 likely to be as far as the Jane Costen Bridge?

A It was explained that it came as far as the roundabout and therefore did not reach the Jane Costen Bridge.

Footpath alongside the Bowls Club Hedge

Q Could a footpath be built alongside the hedge of the Bowls Club to provide safer access to the doctor's surgery in A Coles Road and could S106 money be used for this purpose?

A Advice was being sought from SCDC as to whether S106 monies could be used for this purpose if it was decided to go ahead. JEC explained that if a footpath was provided, an extension of the footpath from Coles Road to the doctor's surgery should be considered at the same time. MCC have said that they would consider making a contribution to the cost.

Barnabas Court footpath

Q Was there any restriction on cycling on the footpath from Barnabas Court through to the Coles Road car park?

A The A answer was no.

A resident wished to give a vote of thanks to the way in which the questions had been answered by the Chairman and councillors and was very appreciative of the written reports that had been provided.

The resident also wished to express pleasure in the way in which saving the school bus campaign had been fought and wished to give thanks to the PC individually and collectively for all the work and good quality evidence they had provided and to the contribution provided by the parents who were involved in the campaign.

The meeting closed at 9.10p.m.

Signed.....Date.....