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## TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

You are summoned to the next meeting of Milton Parish Council to be held in the Bowls Pavilion on  
Monday 9 April 2018 at 7.30pm

Members of the Public and the Press are cordially invited to attend

Clerk's signature: *Sarah Coker*

Date of issue: 3 April 2018

## AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence:** to receive and approve apologies for absence.
2. **To APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2018: (Pages 1-4)**  
**To APPROVE the Confidential minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2018 (Page 5)**
3. **Declarations of interest and dispensations:**
  - a) To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda;
  - b) To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any);
  - c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.

### **Public Participation – members of the public are invited to speak.**

At the close of this item members of the public will no longer be permitted to address the council members unless invited to do so by the Chairman.

#### **4. Clerk's/Chairman's report:**

**From previous meetings:**

Clerk, 3 Councillors, 3 members of the Bowls Club and 3 Senior Tennis members attended a Defibrillator First Aid course.

Coles Road Playground update – Letter of intent sent to Elibe.

Red phone box Coles Road – awaiting replacement telephone.

Milton Country Park – Tomkins Mead agreement – to be signed.

**New:**

To **CONSIDER** letter received – Coles Road Playground (Pages 6-8)

Staffing update.

Annual Parish Meeting – agenda items/suggestions.

Clerk attend a CILCA Data Protection seminar – new regulations coming in 25 May 2018 on how Parish Councils holds and uses personal data.

#### **5. Planning**

To **RECEIVE** the minutes of the meeting on 19 March 2018. (Pages 9-10)

**Decisions Received:**

S/0278/18/FL – Edmund Trust 2 Cambridge Road, Milton, Cambridge CB24 6AW – Conversion of residential building to provide 5 units of accommodation **APPROVED**

**New:**

S/0968/18/FL - 28 Cambridge Science Park, Milton, Cambridge CB4 0FP – Construction of a lean-to extension to the existing building for storage purposes and extension of current fence line to expand storage space on site. Relocation bike shed.

S/0919/18/FL - Access road leading to Jeffrey's Building, St John's Innovation Park, Cowley Road, Cambridge – Proposed road realignment with associated works including landscaping.

S/0885/18/FL - 13 Pearson Close, Milton, Cambridge CB24 6YS – single storey rear extension.

S/0904/18/FL - Land north of Fen Road, Milton, Cambridge CB24 6AD – Erection of 36 affordable dwellings.

S/1110/18/DC – Land at Chesterton Sidings, Cowley Road, Cambridge – Discharge of conditions of 5 (Landscaping), 7 (Signage), 10 (Ecological Design), 11 (LEMP), 27 (Traffic Management Plan) and condition

39 (Footways) of Planning consent S/3102/15/FL.  
S/1084/18/V/C – Land at Chesterton Sidings, Cowely Road, Cambridge – Removal of condition 38 (2.5 metre footway along Cowely Road) from Planning consent S/3102/15/FL.

**6. Maintenance**

To **RECEIVE** the minutes of the meeting of 19 March 2018 (Pages 11-12)

To **CONSIDER** recommendations to accept CJ Muffitt quote £1,500 + VAT for tarmac tracks to be laid and rails installed each side of the culvert at the entrance to the allotments. (Page 13)

To **CONSIDER** recommendations to accept the 10% allotment rent increases (whole £30 to £33, ¾ £22 to £24 half £20 to £22, quarter £10 to £11).

To **CONSIDER** recommendations to accept Fenland Leisure quote £630 + VAT to lay safety rubber grass matting for football goals at Humphries Way and Froment Way. (Page 14)

Update on Paddock and fallen tree – land ownership.  
To **RECEIVE** the report from Independent Memorial Inspection during works carried out on the War Memorial. (Pages 15-16)

**7. Milton Parish Air Quality Working Party (Pages 15-17)**

To **RECEIVE** the minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> liaison meeting between Anglian Water and Milton Parish Air Quality Working Party.

**8. A14 Community Fund (Page 18)**

Local Improvements – Winship Road application

**9. General Data Protection Regulations**

To **DISCUSS** Data Protection Officer roles and responsibilities.

**10. Anglian Water Pumping Station – Barnabas Court (Pages 19-20)**

To **AGREE** to give consent to UK Power Network to lay a new electricity supply for the upgrade of the pumping station at Barnabas Court.

**11. Mobile Vehicle Activate Speed Sign (Pages 21-23)**

To **CONSIDER** proposed timetable from Waterbeach Parish Council for when/where the MVAS sign will be situated in Milton.

**12. AED (Defibrillator) & CPR Training Community Event (Page 24)**

To **CONSIDER** suggestion received from AG First Aid Training to provide a free community AED training session and to encourage the community to support raising funds for an extra AED at North Lodge Pavilion.

**13. Milton Primary School - Parking Issues (Pages 25-26)**

To **CONSIDER** request for a member of MPC to be part of a Working Group to tackle parking issues around school pick up/drop off times.

**14. Improvements to the Village Entrance (Page 27)**

To **CONSIDER** suggestion of a new sculpture/art work, which could be funded by the Public Arts budget, to be situated at the entrance to the village.

**15. MCC Report (Page 28)**

MCC – NLP Lease update

**16. County Councillor's Report (Pages 29-32)**

**17. District Councillors' Reports (Pages 33-34)**

**18. Bills for Payment and Money Received, Budget figures (Pages 35-36)**

To **CONFIRM** and **AGREE** bills for payment.

**19. Correspondence**

**General – copies available on evening**

Invitation to Councillors from Cambridge Sea and Royal Marines Cadets – Open Afternoon on the occasion of premises refurbishment. Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2:30pm to 4:30pm. (Page 37)

South Cambridgeshire – Your Place Our Plan 2018-19.

South Cambs District Council – March 2018 Parish Bulletin.

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue – Business Engagement Bulletin.

## UK Power Networks Councillor Newsletter Spring 2018

### 20. **Dates of next meetings**

- 11 April 2018 – Community Care (2pm)
- 23 April 2018 – Planning (7pm)
- 23 April 2018 – Finance and Administration (7:45pm)
- 30 April 2018 – Annual Parish Meeting (7:30pm)

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The full agenda papers are available on the website [www.miltonvillage.org.uk](http://www.miltonvillage.org.uk) and at the Parish Council office.



## Community Centre Report – April 2018

### Maintenance/Improvements:

Mysteriously, one of the concrete bollards in the Sycamores car park has been knocked over. A new bollard has now been installed.

Over the Easter Weekend, the children's toilets in the Annex will be replaced with full sized toilets. Now that Cygnets Pre-School no longer use the Annex, the smaller toilets are not necessary.

### Bookings:

These continue very much the same as normal

### Youth Building:

Edmund Trust have confirmed that they would like to use the Youth Building during the day, Monday to Friday, starting sometime in May. We have agreed a slightly reduced rate of £9.50 per hour

### North Lodge

Nothing to report

### Vandalism:

Nothing to report

Andy Gray

Community Centre Manager

27/03/2018

## **County Councillor's Report for Parishes – April 2018 – Anna Bradnam for Milton, Landbeach, Waterbeach, Chittering, Horningsea and Fen Ditton**

### **Feedback from Amey Community Liaison Group - 8 March 2018**

The County Planning Authority has received several hundred questions from the public consultation. Matters raised will be collated and submitted to Amey. Once Amey has responded, this will be publicised on the County website and emailed to parish councils. There will be a further 21-days in which to comment on the new information provided by Amey only. Previous comments will stand. The application is unlikely to go before Committee until July 2018.

I asked how they had decided which parishes to communicate with. Amey said they had informed all parish councils, District and County Councillors. The Planning Authority had invited comment from neighbouring parishes but not Cottenham or Milton, even though they are 'adjacent'. I asked if Amey would use their website Q&A/FAQs to respond to questions raised. Amey hoped to use their website more fully but made no commitments.

When asked if it was likely to go to Judicial Review, Emma Fitch (County Planning Manager) indicated that the application is likely to be challenged, as there has been considerable opposition.

The Planning Committee agenda is published 5 working days before the date of the Committee. This is a very short amount of time for speakers to assemble a response. Speaking rights are normally 5 minutes, allocated between all objectors but since the application has been so contentious, it is likely to be at the Chairman's discretion. In this case all objectors may speak, as long as they do not repeat matters raised by others. The cumulative amount of time given to objectors will be offered to the applicant to respond.

The membership of the CLG and TOR for members were discussed. It was noted that Amey could not expect members or parish councils to publicise matters which are for Amey to publicise.

### **...and Amey drop-in session Landbeach 19 March**

I asked three questions and jotted notes as we spoke, so cannot assure accuracy:

**Transport (Andrew Bell)** - would the EfW plant attract waste from outside Cambridgeshire and additional lorry movements on the A10? I was told that with the developments planned in the area (NW Cambridge, City, Darwin Green, Northstowe, Cambourne West, Bourn Airfield, Waterbeach) it is very unlikely that they would need to import waste from outside the county. The plant has been scaled to match the projected local supply of waste.

**Particulates (Rosalind Flavell, Fichter Consulting Engineers and the Environment Agency)** – how are the fine particulates monitored and would there be any risk from them? I was told (I think) that there is almost continuous monitoring of dust, NOx, acid gases and metals. The burn temperature required to destroy dioxins is monitored continuously. For particulates, they are so fine, that they have to sample continuously for 8 hours at a time, to capture an amount that is measurable. The EA requires quarterly reporting of data but the emissions themselves are monitored almost continuously.



**Risk to Human Health (Adrienne, Public Health England and Rosalind Flavell, as above)** Is there any risk to human health from the emissions from this sort of Energy from Waste Plant? Fichter modelled Human Health Risk Assessments and PHE have reviewed and commented on their report. PHE agree with the general recommendation that, when properly run, EfW incinerators produce no measurable risk to human health. The amount of contamination is exceedingly small and represents a very small additional risk when compared to other sources of emission. This means that emissions of NOx from lorries on local roads and our case the A10, present a greater concern than the emissions from incinerators of this type. I remain concerned about risks to health and the visual impact on the setting of Denny Abbey.

Waterbeach Neighbourhood Plan Workshop 13 March – considered valued aspects of heritage and character, which contribute sense of place and distinctiveness.

**Waterbeach Community Forum (SCDC)** on 14 March, which replaced the previous Joint Parishes Meetings. The modifications requested by the Inspector to the Local Plan were submitted in February and we await her decision. There is a small chance that she will request further modifications but once she has decided, the Plan will move to adoption. The Community Forum and feeds local views into the Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) and that in turn will provide guidelines for Waterbeach New Town. The SPD is expected to come to the Planning Portfolio Holder's Meeting in June 2018, after which there will be a 6-week consultation period before it will come back to Pfh in September. The SPD will consider the phasing of the development, the number of dwellings, the impact of the Ely to Cambridge Corridor Study (now being handled by the Combined Authority) and the S106 contributions needed from the developers.

#### **County Council 20 March**

Children's Centres - Representatives of The Fields in Chesterton attended to protest about the difficulties caused by the County Council review. Parents in Fen Ditton use The Fields Centre and are fearful the wrap around care it offers may be curtailed. Gender pay gap – Of the County's 5,251 employees, 80% are female and 20% male, with women earning an average of £13.19 per hour and men earning £15.14 per hour. This 13% gender pay gap is attributed to there being more men in senior roles but is slightly better than the national average mean pay gap of nearly 18%. The Council is exploring options for moving the County Council offices, selling Shire Hall and moving to a 'hub and spoke' model. This is partly because the poorly insulated building is extremely expensive to run and because it is so far south in the county. The Scheduled Monument and historic parts of the site would continue to be protected. Members are concerned that the Council functions should continue to be accessible to the public as well as members. The financial case seems to be a very general estimate at present.

LGSS provides a shared service to Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Milton Keynes Councils, covering finance and business support, HR, IT and Legal Services, Payroll and Pensions, Procurement and Recruitment Services. Despite objections, relating to problems being experienced at Northamptonshire County Council, largely



attributable to the poor performance of LGSS, the County adopted a Scheme of Delegation of many powers to LGSS.

In this pre-election period I report to you that the following motions moved by the opposition parties were lost: to keep internet access free in Libraries, to retain funding for the Cambs Race Equality and Diversity Service in schools, to retain the school meals service and to retain the Magistrate's Court in Cambridge.

#### **Sales of County Council assets to This Land (was CHIC)**

In June 2016 the County Council set up the Cambridgeshire Housing and Investment Company (CHIC) to develop land and raise income for the council. CHIC was a wholly owned subsidiary of the council. The original intention was that the Council could ensure that land was developed in line with the council's wider objectives, including providing more affordable housing and more life-time homes etc. In February 2018 the name of the company was changed to 'This Land'. I was recently informed about planned disposals of County Estate land deemed surplus, in the parishes of Landbeach and Horningsea, to 'This Land'. The detail was held in a confidential appendix, which I requested. I was sent a plot, which subsequently was identified as being incorrect, but meantime I was under the impression I was not permitted to share it with parishes. Having protested about poor member engagement at the following Commercial and Investment Committee meeting, I have been advised I may show you the plots, subject to removal of commercially sensitive information – which I shall do in April.

#### **Waterbeach Independent Primary School – Exhibition of proposed improvements**

The plans on display were different to those I had seen at pre-application stage at County, with the new classroom block being located nearer to the school hall. Most visitors welcomed this and the improvements to the roof, insulation, glazing and security. Staff seemed concerned they had not taken the opportunity to re-think and increase parking and separate it from the pedestrian access. I was disappointed that the proposed refurbished entrance will be even harder to see than it is now.

#### **Parishes:**

**Landbeach** Following my request via the County Transport Officer about the unwelcome change to the route for the No 9 bus he reports that Stagecoach will not be reverting to the old route. Stagecoach say that since changing the route, they have received fewer complaints from customers about travelling through Landbeach and Capper Road but picking up very few, if any passengers.

#### **Milton**

**Land and trees beside the A10.** I have arranged a meeting with Hugo Mallaby County Asset Manager (Rural) Strategic Assets with Jane Coston on 3 April, to discuss ownership of the land between the A10 and the paddock and allotments. We should be able to update parish council from that meeting.

**Cyclepath signage** On 13 March I met Clare Rankin, County Cycling Officer at the Milton Road/Science Park junction to suggest improvements to the signage for cycles at this complicated junction and in particular towards Milton via the Jane Coston Bridge. Residents had pointed out that there is no signage towards Milton.

### **Meetings regarding pedestrian access from Fen Road Chesterton**

I'm still working with local residents, employers and county officers to incorporate a pedestrian access, which would link to the proposed bridge off-ramp. This would enable residents and employees on the east side to get to school and work during the increasingly frequent times when the level crossing barrier is down.

### **Fen Ditton**

**Village sign** - I have emailed Nicola Burdon (10/03/2018) to ask her what is happening about the replacement 'gate' and village name sign on High Ditch Road. I have advised her you would prefer a wooden gate.

**Cycle path** - I have emailed Simon Manville (10/03/2018) requesting an update on the improvements to the cycle path (widening at Wadloes Ind Est and extension n.wards to Field Lane)

**196 Bus** I have submitted a query online to Whippet about – length of current contract, asking if they are having difficulty turning at Wrights Close and hoping they will continue to serve Green End.

**Thorpe Road/Ditton Lane junction** – Is the junction too sharp? Buses pull out onto the opposite side of the road to get out. I have emailed Stagecoach (it is only Stagecoach buses that do this, the Whippet goes straight through) 10/03/2018 and copied to Cllr Joan Whitehead of Abbey Ward.

**The Fields Children's Centre** – at March PC a resident and member of the PC raised concerns about the Centre reducing services and hours of wrap around care, without which some working parents would not be able to work. A representative of The Fields attended and raised concerns at the March meeting of the County Council. Officers are working with staff at The Fields to seek ways of maintaining services.

### **Waterbeach**

I objected to the proposed variation of conditions (to provide a passing place amongst other things) S/0519/18/VC before they start to build the last phase of the solar park at Chittering. SCD C officers have agreed the passing place should be built in advance.



## District Councillor's Report for Milton PC April 2018 – Anna Bradnam

### **Ely Road Bus Stop**

I met with Jon Finney who reassured me that funding to lay the electricity supply for the RTP1 would still be available but the application might need to be refreshed (by County Officers).

### **Defibrillator Training**

I attended this training on 24<sup>th</sup> March, along with Sarah and reps from the Bowls Club and Tennis Club.

### **Risk Assessments**

Litter Pick Briefing – I have re-worded the briefing to reflect the advice of the parish insurance company, with regard to children being accompanied by an adult.

### **Milton Air Quality Working Party**

We had a meeting with FCC Environment on 20th March 2018. If there are any odour reports or news from the Highways Agency about the A14 slip-road to the A10 we will meet on **25 June at 4pm**, otherwise the next meeting will be **8 October at 4pm**.

We met Anglian Water on **24th January** and our next meeting is scheduled for **14 May, 5pm**.

### **Litter Pick**

We reported our last Litter Pick and some new recruits in the March issue of Milton Village View. Our next will be **on Sunday 3 June**.

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## **Hazel Smith District Councillor's Report April 2018**

Not many meetings have happened at SDCDC this month: everyone is hunkering down into election mode.

**Waterbeach Community Forum** had its first meeting on 14th, taking over from the Joint Parishes Meeting that Anna had started. This was quite a useful information-sharing event: there was no stunning news on the A10 study, just confirmation that the route will be chosen by the end of next year. The Cambridge Sport Lakes Trust were there showing their plans but didn't speak. On the platform we heard about the new town and moving the station, and they took questions from the floor.

### **Amey incinerator**

The following week was Amey's attempt to woo local people over to the idea of an incinerator, with displays at Landbeach, Cottenham and Waterbeach. They have so far studiously ignored Milton. They had a large number of specialist consultants available to answer questions, so it was disappointing that the turn-out from the public was rather low. Maybe people are not too bothered by the incinerator. We attended the meeting on the same day in Waterbeach organised by CBWIN (Cambridge without Incineration). I was upset that they seemed unable to give equal time to the "case for" and the "case against" the incinerator, and the chairman in introducing himself as impartial then stated that local elected politicians were in favour of it, which was news to us! I think he was trying to make the point that people need to make their voice heard if they feel strongly about it, and the people at that meeting did do that. However in our canvassing round the villages we haven't found that strength of feeling about it elsewhere. My own opinion is that this is a very complicated issue with local implications whether or not the incinerator is built. The overarching government policy on incineration of plastic seems to be changing towards favouring landfill. So I am studying the information and still asking questions. What is the composition of what would be burnt? I'm certainly in favour of incinerating dirty nappies etc, though personally I used cloth nappies for my own babies and reducing waste has to be central to the overall strategy.

Later in the week I met Lucy Fraser our MP at **Emmaus**; it was a bit of a flying visit but she agreed to press the case for regarding Emmaus communities (and their way of helping formerly homeless people through voluntary work in the Emmaus social enterprise) as a special case when introducing Universal Credit. The general model of Universal Credit if applied rigorously would wipe out all Emmaus communities, because in order to get housing benefit the companions would have to be available for paid work 37 hours a week. There needs to be recognition that not everyone is able to hold down a full-time paid job, and that these people need a lot of support with accommodation, life skills, budgeting and getting their addictions under control. She has promised to try to help.

Hazel