

**Minutes of the Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on
Monday 7 September 2020 at 7pm via Zoom on-line**

Present: D Wildman (DW) (Chair), A Bradnam (AB), J E Coston (JEC), P Ellwood (PE), R Farrington (RF), A Horne (AH), D Owen (DO), H Smith (HMS), A Markham (AM).

In Attendance: S Corder (Clerk), J Barret (Assistant Clerk).

- 1 Apologies for absence.
None – Full Council.
- 2 **To APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 10 August 2020** – Minor amendments to item 8. DW Proposed to accept the Minutes with the amendments reported - **ALL AGREED.**
To APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 24 August 2020 – DW Proposed to accept the Minutes – **ALL AGREED.**
- 3 **Declarations of interest and dispensation**
To receive declarations of interest from councillors for items on agenda: None
To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any); None
To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate; None.
- 4 **Public Participation – members of the public are invited to speak**
None.
- 5 **Clerk's/Chairman's report:**
From previous meetings:
A10 Trees – Cambridgeshire County Council has now confirmed ownership and maintenance of the trees will be undertaken shortly.
Deeds missing - Solicitor to send deeds to MPC – to follow up.
Adverse possession of land (Old School Lane and Willow Crescent) – Feedback from Solicitor: Advise to put on hold until further research can be done on chances of a successful claim of the land.
A14 Parish Legacy Fund – date to be confirmed for works to be carried on the crossing by EACH office.
Double Yellow Lines – The Rowans and Fen Road/Coles Road - TRO application applied for awaiting confirmation.
The Sycamores Rec – Clerk has applied for grant funding with The Big Lottery Fund and Cambridgeshire Community Foundation (Amey).
CCTV Jane Coston Bridge: Update – nothing to report.
Cemetery Gate – Maintenance works to be carried out end of September.

DW reported to the Council that MPC have received £10k from the Government Small Business Grants Fund via SCDC (Covid 19 response) as MPC occupies a rateable building.

- 6 **20/03294/CL2PD** – 2 North Lodge Park, Milton CB24 6UB – Lawful certificate for a proposed loft conversion to include bedroom and ensuite – **FOR INFORMATION ONLY.**
S/3462/19/CONDA – 28 Fen Road, Milton CB24 6AD – Submission of details required by conditions 3 (1:0 detailed drawings of the rebuilt chimney stack, 4 (photographs of bricks to be used in comparison with existing brickwork) and 5 (specification of the mortar mix to be used) of listed building consent S/3462/19/LB. **FOR INFORMATION ONLY.**
20/03542/HFUL – 15 Froment Way, Milton CB24 6DT – Proposed single storey extension to the side of the property with new veranda to the rear. **HAS NO RECOMMENDATION.**
20/03590/FUL – 270 Cambridge Science Park, Milton, Cambridge – Minor refurbishment works. **HAS NO RECOMMENDATION.**
20/03464/SCOP – Cowley Road, Milton Cambridge – Request a formal scoping opinion in respect of mixed use development to comprise: approximately 700 private rental sector (PRS) apartments, approximately 1,450sqm of retail use (use classes A1/A2/A3/A4/A5), approximately 11,000sqm of office space (class B1(a)), a specialist Maths College and landscaping and associated works. **OBJECTS: It would seem to be premature coming ahead of the Area Action Plan being approved. Inappropriate combination of uses prior to the development of the Area Action Plan. 6 blocks of 11 storeys is excessive.**
20/03315/HFUL – 20 David Bull Way, Milton, Cambridge CB24 6DP – Single storey rear and side extension to existing linked-detached property, with demolition of existing rear conservatory. (re-submission of planning application 20/01745/HFUL. **HAS NO RECOMMENDATION.**
20/03183/HFUL – 70 The Rowans, Milton CB24 6YU – Proposed 2 storey front extension, replacement porch and side extension (above existing garage). **OBJECTS: MPC has no comment to make on the side extension. The 2 storey front extension is overbearing in a small close and is not in keeping with the street scene. Insufficient parking due to overall size of extension.**
20/1778/TTPO - Tree Preservation Works: 1 Ken’S Way Milton CB24 6DJ – Lime (T1) – pollard at 8ms to retain smaller crown for small garden. **NO COMMENT.**
20/02880/HFUL – 25 Butt Lane, Milton CB24 6DG – Construction of an outbuilding. **Defer to next meeting as no plans available on the portal.**
20/03444/FUL – 127 Cambridge Science Park, Milton CB4 0GD – Erection of a building for office/research and development use following demolition of exiting building and associated infrastructure and works. **HAS NO RECOMMENDATION.**
(DW Proposed to be suspended Standing Orders to CONTINUE THE MEETING UNTIL 9pm – All Agreed).
(AB and AM left the meeting 8:31pm).
- 7 **Community Care**
The minutes of the Community Care meeting Wednesday 8 July 2020 were received.
- 8 **Cambridge Wastewater Treatment Plant Relocation Project (Pages 7-8).**

Feedback from Anglian Water on previous question raised (from 10 August 2020 meeting) were received – no further responses to be given at this time.

To **RATIFY** expenditure from the Community Grant fund of £83.99 for the purchase of banners in support of the campaign group. DW Proposed Ratification, ALL AGREED.

DW – A working draft letter from Fen Ditton Parish Council has been sent for consideration by all or some of the Green Belt PCs which could form the basis of a joint objection to the CWWTPR consultation which closes on the 14th September. DW Proposed that MPC support the objection letter and would sign the letter on behalf of MPC as Chairman – **6 In Favour – 1 Abstain. AGREED.**

9 Bills for Payment and Money Received

To **CONFIRM** and **AGREE** bills for payment – to pay voucher numbers 146 – 181. **HMS Proposed – RF Seconded ALL AGREED.**

10 Flooding and Drainage

Update from Working Group: HMS reported that County Highways will be clearing the drains in Hall End and will look at the drains/ditch on Old School Lane and will advise landowners who are responsible for the ditch where it form their boundary.

(DO left 9:31pm).

11 Local Highways Improvements 2021/22.

To **CONSIDER** request from High Street residents for a TRO application to be applied for e.g. “keep access clear” to be painted on the highway outside One Stop under the LHI scheme. **It was agreed that due to the cost of a TRO being carried out and that it might fail, MPC will talk to the residents involved to discuss options that can be taken through the Parish Council. DW will contact the resident who wrote to Council. RF will talk to the main owner of the land.**

(DW Proposed to continue the meeting to 9:30pm – ALL AGREED).

12 BT Payphone Removal– Coles Road.

To **CONSIDER** to either adopt the BT payphone box or build a case to object to its removal. **Response from MPC: This is the only payphone in the village and at times needed for emergency calls. BT have a responsibility to provide the village with a payphone. If BT are minded to remove the payphone MPC request a further 90-day public consultation looking into support for adopting the phone box.**

13 Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service.

To **CONSIDER** comments on the Consultation on the draft North East Cambridge Area Action Plan – Monday 27 July to 5 October 2020 – **Defer to Extraordinary meeting on 28 September 2020 at 7pm.**

14 Zero Carbon Communities Grant Scheme.

To **CONSIDER** applying for grants of £1,000 to £15,000 which are available for eligible groups to apply for projects to tackle climate change through cycling, community buildings and tree planting and other nature-based solutions. **It was noted that a letter from the Principal of IVC encouraging students to either walk or cycle where possible to school has been sent out. This raised concerns for the amount of school children possibly starting to cycle or walk to IVC along Butt Lane during the Covid-19 pandemic instead of using the school bus. DW will contact the Principal for clarification. To come back to a future meeting for update.**

15 County Councillor's September 2020 Report – AB (Full report on website with September agenda).

Health: If anyone is concerned that Test and Trace protocols are routinely not being observed in pubs or restaurants, let AB know and AB will convey to Liz Robin for Environmental Health to investigate.

We have asked for clarification on what practices GPs are being required to follow in face to face patient consultations.

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority: The CPCA has appointed Simon Wright OBE to deliver the Mayor's Cambridge Autonomous Metro project.

Transport – A10: The CPCA Board meeting on 5 August considered the Strategic Outline Business Case Report which presented the 7 options (A-G) for the A10 upgrade which had been the subject of early public consultation.

It was resolved to: a) Approve the Strategic Outline Business Case and agree in principle to proceed to Outline Business Case, subject to the outcome of funding discussions with the Department for Transport;

b) Note the views of residents and businesses in response to the Virtual Public Exhibition. That report considered **five cases** (for the project). **Strategically**, intervention is needed to support growth and reduce congestion. **Economically**, they assessed the options to establish the benefit cost ratio (BCR). Almost all of the 7 options had BCR over 2 which would qualify for investment; dualling options A-F have BCRs over 4 "very high value". Only Option G (junctions only) offered "medium" value (BCR 1.9). **Financially**, it concluded that the majority of the money should be sought from central government.

Next steps – Each of the five cases (**strategic, economic, financial, commercial and management**) will be developed for the OBC, taking into account public feedback and undertaking more detailed traffic modelling of the current seven options to enable a shorter list of options to be taken forward to formal public consultation before the selection of a preferred option.

Transport – Buses: We note that one of the unexpected outcomes of the changes to Stagecoach Busway services is that from Sunday the direct link between Cambridge and Alconbury has been cut and anyone wishing to go to Alconbury will need to change at St Ives. It is also harder to get to Addenbrookes Hospital.

Schools and Education: The government issued guidelines about returning to early years' providers, schools and colleges on 21 August.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>

Early years – Parents are encouraged to take up places their children are entitled to.

Schools and colleges - There is very strong encouragement for young people to return to schools and colleges, with reference to enforcement orders and fines for those who don't.

Schools and child carers have been working hard to put in place measures to keep employees

and children safe. Currently no face coverings are needed in school but this is being kept under review.

Energy saving offer: The County Council has joined forces with District Councils and Solar Together to improve energy efficiency and reduce carbon emissions. Home owners in Cambridgeshire will soon have an opportunity to club together to buy and install solar panels at a reduced price. From 1 September households and small and medium sized premises can register for free and without obligation for the group-buying scheme by visiting www.solartogether.co.uk/cambridgeshire After the auction applications will receive a personal recommendation based on their registration details. They then have six weeks to decide if they want to take up the recommendation and proceed with an installation.

16 District Councillors September 2020 Report (Verbal update) – No updates to be given at present

17 Milton Community Centre September 2020 Report

The Community Centre and associated buildings will re-open on Saturday 5th September. All of our existing customers have been contacted and those wishing to return immediately will have to sign a Special Conditions Hire Agreement, whereby they agree to abide by the COVID-19 regulations. This Agreement covers things such as cleaning equipment, fixtures & fittings before and after use, ensuring social distancing is maintained, keeping contact details of people attending their session etc.

It is now compulsory for face coverings to be worn inside Community Buildings, although we are not able to enforce this rule! It is permitted to remove face coverings whilst exercising, which is relevant for many of our groups such as yoga, pilates, dancing, badminton etc

Many of our customers are not yet ready to return, although I am happy to keep their slot for them for the time being. New regular bookings will not be taken at present until it becomes clear which of our existing customers will be returning and when.

Hand sanitizer, paper towel and cleaning spray will be provided in all rooms, including the entrance hall and toilets. The entrance doors will be kept locked as much as possible to avoid unknown members of the public coming into the building to use the toilets. Anyone using the courts will not be able to access the changing rooms or the toilets.

Kev, Ray and Philip who were all furloughed, will return to their normal duties from Saturday 5th September.

18 Correspondence

To **CONSIDER** email request to support the proposal of erecting Samaritan help/support signs on the Jane Coston Bridge and Histon/Impington Bridge. **MPC have no objection to support the request for signs for those who have the power to erect them.**

19 Dates of next meetings

- Monday 21 September 2020 – Planning 7pm – Maintenance 7:45pm
- Monday 28 September 2020 – Extraordinary Parish Council 7pm
- Monday 5 October 2020 – Parish Council 7pm
- Wednesday 7 October 2020 – Community Care 11:30am

Meeting closed at 9:35pm

Signed: **Date:**