

**Minutes of the Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on
Tuesday 11 January 2002 at 7:30pm in the Milton Community Centre**

Present: H Smith (Chair) (HMS), J E Coston (JEC), P Ellwood (PE), A Horne (AH), R Farrington (RF), A Markham (AM)

In Attendance: S Corder (Clerk)

1 Apologies for absence

A Latchem (Personal), D Owen (Personal), A Bradnam (Councillor business)

2 To APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6 December 2021

RF Proposed to accept the minutes of Monday 6 December 2021 as a true record – JEC Seconded: **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

No public attended

5 Planning

Decisions Received:

21/04301/FUL - Land rear of 49 Cambridge Road, Milton – Erection of 4 dwellings following demolition of No 49b Cambridge Road and removal of 5no. static caravan pitches – **GRANTED PERMISSION**

New:

21/05235/OUT – Land between 7 and 8 Knights Way, Milton CB24 6DE – Outline application for the erection of 1 no. dwellinghouse with all matters reserved. **OBJECT: Overdevelopment of the site. Changing the street scene and extending too close to the historic listed wall. A 2-storey dwelling on this site is too bulky (4 In Favour – 2 Abstain - AGREED)**

21/05399/FUL – Land on the South West of Butt Lane, Milton (West Manor) – Erection of 1 no. dwellinghouse **HAS NO RECOMMENDATION**

6 Maintenance

To **CONSIDER** proposed budget items and budget request for the next financial year

Allotment Maintenance	4,000
Orchard Maintenance	1,000
Cemetery Maintenance	3,200
Tomkins Mead	1,500
Bus Shelters	500
Seats/Bins	500
Cleaning and Sundries	100
Grass Cutting	9,000
Play areas	10,000
Equipment Maintenance	250
Tree Maintenance	4,000
Highway maintenance	50
Shrub Maint. (Hedges and pathways)	1,000
General Maintenance	50
Total	35,150

Up to £12,000 for bus shelter work from Capital Reserves

AH Proposed the budget figures for 2022/23 – JEC Seconded ALL AGREED

7 Power to Pond Green and Edmund Green

To **CONSIDER** quotes from Balfour Beatty for New Fuse Post with DNO Connection £1,447.97 + VAT plus £113.09 per meter for additional trenching to Village Sign (for Pond Green) (about 10m)

£1,489.60 for a feeder pillar with consumer unit and new DNO connection (for Edmund Green)

or

Barnwell Electrical Company £1,110.00 + VAT to take power from the new Fuse Post (by lamp post) to the Village Sign and provide connection (will end in a lockable box on the Village Sign)

or

UK Power Network installation of new single phase electricity supply to the Village Sign £4,637.00 + VAT

PROPOSAL to allocate £1,447.97 and £1,130.09 and £1,489.60 plus 5% allowance for increased costs if necessary (£4272) for the Balfour Beatty work detailed above, including termination in a lockable box with sockets – JEC Proposed – RF Seconded ALL AGREED (Funded by the Arts budget)

8 Village Pump

To **CONSIDER** quote from Buchans £1,542.19 + VAT To clear area around pump, remove hedge boundary and erect a fence **JEC Proposed – RF Seconded ALL AGREED. Fence to be same height as current fence. (Funded by the Art budget – part of the ongoing Art project on the site)**

9 Bills for Payment and Money Received

To **CONFIRM** bills for payment – JEC Proposed to pay vouchers 274 to 311- RF Seconded **AGREED (HMS Abstain)**

10 To Receive County Councillor Report for Parish Council January 2022 - Cllr Anna Bradnam (Full report on MPC webpage)

Covid-19: For those who are most at risk from COVID-19 our support continues: Fast Pass arrangements at vaccination centres enable pregnant or breastfeeding women to skip the queue. For our housebound patients, and those living in care and nursing homes, our Primary Care Networks and community provider colleagues are delivering their vaccines in their homes.

Our call for volunteers remains. If any of your local residents are interested in volunteering to help, we would ask them to sign up via the [Royal Voluntary Service website](#)."

Vaccinations

If you have not yet received all the vaccinations for which you are eligible, please see:

[The Vaccinators | COVID-19 Vaccination Centres | Cambridgeshire and Peterborough](#)

The nearest is The Grafton Centre (daily walk-ins 08:30 - 4pm and Tues and Weds until 7.30pm)

Chesterton Indoor Bowls Club, Over Healthcare and the Village Pharmacy, Fulbourn, which are all taking bookings for

- 1st and 2nd doses for people aged 12 years old and over
- [3rd doses for people with a severely weakened immune system](#) aged 18 years old and over
- boosters for people aged 18 years old and over
- boosters for people aged 16 and 17 years old who are at [high risk from COVID-19](#) or frontline health and social care workers

If you are unable to book an appointment online please call 119.

Grants and Funding

Community Fund: deadline for applications - 1st February 2022

Twenty-four community organisations across Cambridgeshire have benefited this year from a fund set up to better equip communities and organisations to support local residents. The twenty four organisations have received a total of £276,352. The **Innovate and Cultivate Fund** helps voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations to set up special projects which support and benefit local communities. **The next application round closes on 1st February 2022.**

More details here <http://www.cambscf.org.uk/icf.html>

Household Support Fund: Cambridgeshire's Household Support Fund, funded by the Department for Work and Pensions, has been created to help people experiencing immediate financial hardship to pay for food, household energy or other essential items. **The scheme will run until 31 March 2022.**

Support is offered in two ways:

- Support with food, household energy and other essentials for individuals and families: residents are eligible to access this support if they earn less than £17,940 per year, or are in receipt of certain state benefits
- Direct food voucher scheme: as in previous school holidays, supermarket vouchers will be issued to families meeting the low income criteria for free school meals, funded childcare for two-year-olds, early years pupil premium, or sixth form students eligible for free school meals.

[Household Support Fund - Cambridgeshire County Council](#)

Transport

Guided Busway: Following a tragic accident, the County Council will be temporarily closing a section of the Guided Busway in one direction, between Cambridge Railway Station and Addenbrooke's Hospital. The inbound only track (closest to the maintenance track) will be closed. The busway will be used outbound from the railway station to Addenbrooke's and then inbound buses will use Hills Road on the return journey. This follows ongoing communications with the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and as part of our continuous review of safety on the busway.

Flood Risk Management – a consultation until 23 January 2021

Residents are being invited to have their say on plans to help reduce the risk of flooding in Cambridgeshire over the next six years. As a Lead Local Flood Authority, Cambridgeshire County Council is responsible for developing, maintaining and applying a Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (LFRMS) for the county.

The public consultation runs until 23 January 2021. Residents can have their say by visiting ([Consult Cambridgeshire | Homepage \(engagementhq.com\)](https://www.engagementhq.com)).

Residents can check their flood risk by using the online flood maps to check whether they're at risk of flooding at <https://www.gov.uk/check-flooding>

Combatting Climate Change: draft strategy and action plan: The new draft strategy and action plan for Cambridgeshire focusses on cutting carbon emissions before it's too late to prevent severe climate impacts. As a low-lying area, flood risk and rising sea levels are real future risks for the county's communities too. The draft Cambridgeshire Net Zero emission by 2045 Strategy can be read on the council's website and will be considered for adoption at full Council 8 February 2022.

Will you try Dry January?: A public health campaign run by the charity Alcohol Change UK sees millions of people across the UK go alcohol-free for 31 days. This year Cambridgeshire County Council is encouraging residents and employees to sign up to Dry January and discover the many benefits of going alcohol-free, including the financial, physical, and medical benefits this can bring. Alcohol Change UK have a free app, 'Try Dry', which can double your chance of being totally alcohol-free. The app allows you to track units, calories, and money saved over the month and set goals. Visit [the Alcohol Change website to find out more](#).

To learn more about why to go dry for January, go to [the Alcohol Change website](#)

Dry January is not suitable for people who are alcohol dependent who may need help from local support services to come safely off alcohol. Please get in touch with the Councils commissioned drug and alcohol support service Change Grow Live if you need support:

Update: Milton

- **Cambridge Road** - At the request of the Parish Council, the discretionary southbound cycle lane has been removed.
- **Cambridge Road** - The northbound cycle lane will be suspended temporarily between 11-17 January while work is done to replace lead supply pipe. I think this may be associated with work at the southern junction of **The Romans**, also Cambridge Water around the same time.
- **Winship Road** There will be a TTRO also in the period 11-17 Jan - may or may not be associated with the above works.

11 To Receive District Councillors Report January 2022 Cllrs Paul Bearpark, Anna Bradnam and Judith Rippeth (Full report on MPC webpage)

Grant funding for home improvements for low-income households: SCDC has been awarded funding from the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) as part of the government's Sustainable Warmth Scheme. The Sustainable Warmth Scheme brings together Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery, Phase 3 (LAD3) and the slightly more generous, off-gas-only Home Upgrade Grant, Phase 1 (HUG1) to support low-income households living in hard-to-heat private-sector homes by installing energy efficiency measures and low carbon heating. The award is as a result of a consortium bid from the Cambridgeshire local authorities led by Cambridge City Council and is for a total of £6,464,998 to support improvements to 398 properties in Cambridgeshire. Approximately £1,300,000 has been allocated for 81 properties in South Cambs, of which 20 will be on-gas and 61 off gas.

The scheme will be delivered by the Cambridgeshire consortium working in partnership with contractors from April 2022 through to March 2023. To be eligible, households will be required to have a maximum household income of £30,000, and the property will need to have an EPC rating of E, F or G. We will be adopting a whole house, fabric first approach with the aim of increasing EPC ratings to C where feasible, drawing in additional funding from other sources (e.g. ECO) where possible. SCDC will issue a press release on behalf of all the Cambridgeshire LAs via the county council in the new year along with details of how households can register their interest.

Business Grants: Hospitality and Leisure Grant and Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG) top-up: On Wednesday 21 December the Chancellor, Rishi Sunak announced £1 billion in support for businesses most impacted by Omicron across the UK. Amongst other support, businesses in the hospitality and leisure sectors in England will be eligible for one-off grants of between £2,700- £6,000 depending on premises rateable value. Additional discretionary funding will be made available for Councils to support other businesses affected. As soon as SCDC receives further detail on eligibility criteria and total allocation, the website and comms channels will be updated with policy and application details/process. It is expected that businesses will be able to start applying during the latter part of January / early February for the reasons mentioned above. We are in the process of updating our website to reflect this information.

Business Grants: Coronavirus Additional Relief Fund (CARF): Back in March of this year, the Government announced funding for a new business rates relief to help those business that had been impacted by Covid in 2020/21 but had been ineligible for the other business rates reliefs. The announcement was made in response to a number of businesses submitting appeals to the Valuation Office Agency (VOA), as they believed the pandemic constituted a “material change of circumstances” in relation to their premises’ rateable value. Before the relief would be made available, Government first wanted to pass legislation to prevent Covid from being a reason for an appeal to the VOA. This legislation received royal assent on Wednesday 15 December.

Central Government has now provided guidance on a new rates relief scheme – the Coronavirus Additional Relief Fund (CARF), along with a funding allocation of up to £6.3m for South Cambridgeshire District Council. The guidance sets out that SCDC should design a new local relief scheme to distribute the funding, which is available to reduce the 2021/22 business rates bill. The guidance states that the scheme should:

- Not award relief to ratepayers that are, or would have been, eligible for the Extended Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Discount, or the Nursery Discount
- Not award relief in respect of a property when it is unoccupied
- Direct support towards ratepayers who have been adversely affected by the pandemic and have been unable to adequately adapt to that impact.

SCDC is currently exploring options for scheme design to ensure support is targeted to those impacted, and will then need to turn our attention to the administrative details. This is a considerable piece of work and it may take some weeks before the scheme is launched. Details of the relief announcement are on the SCDC website from Friday 17 December, advising businesses that we are working on scheme design and that the website will be updated as the scheme details become available.

12 Dates of next meetings

- Wednesday 12 January 2022 – Community Care (11:30am)
- Monday 17 January 2022 – Finance & Administration via Zoom
- Monday 24 January 2022 – Parish Council Precept Meeting (7pm) - Planning (7:30pm)
- Monday 7 February 2022 – Parish Council

Arrange a meeting date for the Cemetery Advisory Group – Thursday 13 January at 7:30pm via Zoom

Meeting closed at 8pm Signed: Date: