

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Fen Ditton Parish Council held on Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2021 in the church

**Present:** Cllrs. Collett; Dangerfield, Devine; Easterfield; Jones(Chairman); Suess

**In attendance:** Dist. Cone and Daunton; Cnty Cllr Bradnam, the clerk

**2021/26 To receive apologies**

Apologies had been received from Cllr Farrar.

**2021/27 Open forum for members of the public**

No members of the public were present.

**2021/28 To approve the Minutes of the annual meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> June were approved and signed.

**2021/29 To receive declarations from Councillors as to the disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in relation to any items on the agenda**

No declarations of interest for matters on the agenda were made

**2021/30 Clerk's report and matters arising from the Minutes**

- i. Replacement trees – the County Council highway officer had advised that the delay had been caused as the parish council had not submitted an application to plant the tree which was being provided by CCC under their policy to replant a tree when they had taken one down.
- ii. Entrance gate on High Ditch Road – the CCC highway officer had advised that a quote has been requested.
- iii. Ditch along side Ditton Meadows – Bidwells had advised that CCC have an agreement to keep the ditch clear but as they had not they had arranged on behalf of Gonville & Causis College to clear out the ditch. Appreciation had been expressed.
- iv. Village sign – when replacing the slates the contractor had advised that there is rot in the cross bar of the village sign. A quote would be obtained to repair
- v. Carla Farrar had resigned as tree officer and conservation officer – appreciation for the time and contribution made had been expressed by the clerk in an e-mail.
- vi. The casual vacancy resulting from the resignation of Emily Bush had been advertised and notified to SCDC. A resident has expressed interest in the vacancy and will be kept informed as to whether or not the council can co-opt.
- vii. Water fountain installation – this would be considered further at the July meeting.
- viii. 400 hedging whips had been applied for from Carbon Footprint for planting along the cemetery railings and the boundary parallel with the railings.

**2021/31 To approve payments made during the month and accounts for payment:**

It was agreed that the following accounts be approved.

	Cheq. No	Amnt
British Telecommunications	DD	39.71
Haven Power – street lights	DD	16.45
Hayden Woodruff – bus shelter	101801	15.00
Buchans – verges, churchyard, cemetery, recreation ground,	101802	1887.26
Ed Cowdrith – village sign	101803	121.00
Cambridgeshire ACRE - subscription	101804	57.00
Cambridge Water	101805	90.43
HM Revenue & Customs	101806	117.60
Sarah Smart – May salary	101807	470.23
Came & Co. - insurance	101808	739.19

**2021/32 To note money received**

None

**2021/33 To receive report from County Councillor**

Cllr Bradnam reported:

on the make up of the newly elected council and the intention to re-organise the committees.  
 continued working on the relocation of Cambridge Waste Water Treatment Plant and supporting residents with their concerns  
 the removal of the dangerous bollard on the jetty path under the railway and pedestrian bridge of the Chisholm Trail  
 autonomous shuttles being tested in Cambridge  
 East/West railway consultation

**2021/34 To receive report from District Councillors**

Cllr Cone reported:

the outdoor wellbeing activities being run for 14 – 17 year olds.  
 the adoption of Neighbourhood Plans at Cottenham and Histon and Impington  
 zero carbon grants,

Cllr Daunton reported:

on the response by Hills to the residents who had expressed concerns of the removal of trees for the cycleway  
 the ZCC grants webinar  
 the Greenways programme  
 Cambridge East forum meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> June

**2021/35 To consider following planning applications and tree works applications**

21/01753/HFUL	13 Blue Lion Close	Single storey rear extension, 3 new dormer windows, single storey porch and replacement of current single storey car port with a single storey side extension It was queried as to whether the road was adopted or private.
21/0544/TTCA	Footpath 6, Green End	Ash – inonotu hispidus present at various locations throughout crown. Previously pollarded at 7ms remedial work now long overdue, re-pollard to minimise limb failure and maintain in its current location. SCDC issued outcome of no objection
21/0553/TTCA	4 Green End	Hawthorn – trim overhang back to boundary fence line Noted – no comment
21/0614/TTCA	31 High Street	2 x ash & 1 field maple – raise crown on garden side only to clear 5m high above ground level 1 x field maple & 1 x ash – reduce height to form pollard 2.5m high above ground level Noted. No comment
21/0626/TTCA	25 Stanbury Close	Cherry tree located in back garden, east side of the property’s boundary line – fell to ground level. Root system in early stages of damaging fence line and neighbours patio, excessive shade and branches mainly growing towards neighbours house and garden. Noted – no comment
21/02450/REM	Land off Newmarket Road	Reserved matters application detailing, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the construction of 421 new homes with

associated infrastructure, internal roads and open space as part of Phase 2 pursuant to condition 5 (reserved matters) of outline planning permission S/2682/13/OL  
Cllr Jones agreed to circulate comments to councillors.

**2021/36 Planning application responses from SCDC:**

The clerk reported that the appeal against the enforcement notice at 41a Green End had not been upheld and that all requirements of SCDC had been upheld.

**2021/37 Tree planting:**

- i. To consider responses to proposal to plant trees in Green End, High Street, Ditton Lane, High Ditch Road, the children's play area and the cemetery boundaries Letters had been delivered to residents in the vicinity of the proposed planting in Green End, High Street, Ditton Lane, High Ditch Road and Stanbury Close. The majority of the responses were in favour, the main comment being that native trees would be preferred and or number of trees planted in areas be reconsidered. Residents who responded from Green End were mostly opposed to the proposed planting and resident who responded from Stanbury Close were mostly opposed due to the maintenance of the current boundary
- ii. To agree any amendments to scheme in view of (i) above  
It was agreed that the proposed planting in the High Street be done; that the proposed planting in Green End would be withdrawn from the current proposal, that rowans and a cherry tree be planted in Ditton Lane if possible; that two groups of three trees and two large trees be planted in the children's play area; that the comments of Stanbury Close be recognised and taken on board and followed up prior to any further planting. It was noted that SCDC are consulting on the proposals with residents of Musgrave Way and have advised that they do not need to consult with residents in Wrights Close.

Councillors expressed appreciation to Carla Farrar for her submission of the tree planting proposal.

**2021/38 To consider proposal to cut back the brambles and remove 4 saplings around the oak after bird nesting season at the end of August and to maintain a boundary line to the north west side of the oak**

The above proposal was agreed.

**2021/39 Pavilion redevelopment:**

- i. To receive notes from initial meeting of working party  
A meeting had been held on 19<sup>th</sup> May of the Pavilion Working Party at which funding and timing were discussed along with the consultants required . the vision for the development was also discussed.
- ii. To agree that authority to make decisions on minor matters is delegated to the working party and signed off by the clerk and one other council member of the working party.  
This was agreed.  
It was noted Seb Dangerfield's interest in being on the working party which was approved.
- iii. To agree that all major decisions are referred to the Council and signed off by the Chairman or vice chairman and the clerk  
This was agreed.

**2021/40 To receive progress report on project to repair cemetery wall**

Communication had been received from the Diocese stating that a specification of the works is required in order that it can be approved and consent give,

**2021/41 To receive correspondence**

A resident had expressed concerns about the speed of traffic along High Ditch Road on the Newmarket Road side of the disused railway bridge

**2021/42 To accept notices and matters for the next agenda**

Arrangements of litter collection at the extension of High Street. Cllr Devine agreed to investigate and report.

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