

**Minutes of the Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on
Monday 1 November 2021 at 7:30pm in the Bowls Pavilion**

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

In Attendance: S Corder (Clerk), J Rippeth (District Councillor)

Public: 2

1 Apologies for absence

None – all members present

2 To APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 4 October 2021

HMS amended Item 5 Gunnell Close/Woodman Way: replace “widening of ... barrier” to “increasing the distance between ... barriers” , and Eddies Artworks.

HMS Proposed to accept the minutes of Monday 4 October 2021 with amendment – RF Seconded: 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

2 members of the public attended the meeting to discuss the state of the overgrown shrubs/hedges on the slip road into Milton from the A14 interchange. Who is responsible for maintaining it? Can the PC represent the village in asking for maintenance work to be carried out – can the PC contractor carry out the work?

AB: AB and HMS have in the past carried out minor cut back work. The land is County Council responsibility. AB (as County Councillor) and Clerk (PC) to take forward as an action to ask County for maintenance to be carried out.

AM added a request that brambles are cut back on the Butt Lane cycle path to IVC.

(Public left 7:44pm)

5 Clerk's/Chairman's Report and Works Schedule

Works Schedule – the list as reviewed: redate to October. This list should have minute numbers where appropriate so it is clear what has been decided on. 2 new benches on Pond Green should be removed as not agreed.

Cemetery Gates have been replaced: members remarked how good they looked.

Gunnell Close/Woodman Way – Quotes being sourced to increase the distance between the barriers to 1.5m

Gypsy, Roma & Traveller Inclusion Workshop – Email update: SCDC (20/7/21) Delayed due to changes in the law.

Deeds missing – Coles Road playing field – Ashtons Legal: Application to register the land is now with the Land Registry.

The Sycamores Rec play equipment– Update: The Roundabout is now open.

Pop-up cycle Lane, Cambridge Road – AB: Nothing to report

Request for 20mph speed limit on Cambridge Road/High Street – Being discussed via the Working Group.

Land under the A10/Butt Lane Footbridge – Fly tipping/overgrown branches has been reported to County Highways report a fault on 29/07/2021. Report closed:08/10/2021 – no further action required.

HMS planted a new **cherry tree** given to us by South Cambs Council at the A10 end of Humphries Way,.

Tesco has donated 5 bags of 40 **Daffodil bulbs** for planting on the bund by the Landbeach Road bus stop.

The Internal Auditor has confirmed that we can extend **Buchans contract** for a year.

Clerk has invoiced **AG Renewables** for £8,000 compensation offered for disruption caused of laying of the gas pipe.

6 Planning

The minutes of the Planning meeting of Monday 18 October 2021 were received

New:

21/04625/FUL – Land between Green End and the Waterbeach Barracks Site, Waterbeach – Change of use from agricultural land for the construction of an A10 bridge structure with associated earthworks embankment bridge landing, construction of a shared route for non-motorised users between the Waterbeach Barracks site and Green End including a 3m shared footway cycleway and 2m grassed verge for equestrians and 1m grassed verge, hard

and soft landscaping, lighting, construction compound and temporary haul road – **HAS NO RECOMMENDATION: Comment – Could steps be added on the eastern side of the ramp on the desire line to the bridge from the paths to the village and new town**

21/04301/FUL – Land rear of 49 Cambridge Road, Milton – Erection of 4 dwellings following demolition of No49b Cambridge Road and removal of 5 no static caravan pitches – **HAS NO RECOMMENDATION: Comment – Site plan shows incorrect boundary line at western end (includes the public highways). MPC asks that a fence is retained on the southern boundary at least 1.2 metres high to protect the PC hedge and deter pedestrian access/egress. Require the parking for the hairdresser to be marked**

21/04458/HFUL – 14 Old School Lane, Milton – Front porch extension **HAS NO RECOMMENDATION**

20/04010/CONDG – Land South West of Milton Park and Ride, Butt Lane, Milton (Police Station) – Submission of details required by condition 9 (piling) of planning permission 20/04010/FUL **Can a condition be placed on times of piling (not at night)**

20/04010/CONDF – Submission of details required by condition 26 (EV charging points)

20/04010/CONDH – Submission of details required by condition 7 (Landscape and ecological management plan)
ALL FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The Planning Inspectorate – To **CONSIDER** what information should be provided in the Environment Statement or confirm no comment. Application by Anglian Water Services for an Order granting development consent for the Cambridge Wastewater Treatment Plant Relocation **MPC supports the choice of location and has no comment**

7 Finance and Administration

The minutes of the Finance and Administration meeting of Monday 18 October 2021 were received

8 Community Care

The minutes of the Community Care meeting of Wednesday 6 October 2021 were received

9 Capital Projects Working Group – Project Report

To **AGREE** action plan, poster which will go in Village View, rules of the Bus Stop Art Competition, budget to this project, to agree up to £10,000 **HMS Proposed to agree the wording and the process, and spend up to £10,000 from the S106 Art Budget to cover the cost of the project (including producing the artwork and replacement bus stop windows) – JEC Seconded ALL AGREED**

(AM left 9:09pm)

10 Cemetery Advisory Committee

To **CONSIDER** request for a double kerb set, slab and headstone **AB Proposed REFUSAL The size of the slab and kerbing is too wide, being double rather than single plot width (3'2') and the headstone is too wide, it needs to be at most 2'. The shape of the headstone (a heart) and wording submitted would be acceptable. Clerk to convey this decision to the Stone Mason**

11 Bills for Payment and Money Received

To **CONFIRM** bills for payment – JEC Proposed to pay invoice vouchers 206-234 – AB Seconded ALL AGREED

12 Local Government Finance Act 1992 – Parish Precept

To **CONSIDER** response to consultation question A for proposals for payment of Parish Precepts **HMS Proposed to agree with Band D council tax base 2022/23**

13 Parish Council Dispensations

To **CONSIDER** asking for dispensations for all MPC Councillors to vote on MCC finances
HMS Proposed the Clerk agrees Councillor's dispensations as they come in - **ALL AGREED**

14 Parish Council Meeting Dates

Defer to December meeting – meeting dates need to be altered

15 Tree Maintenance

To **CONSIDER** quote for £1,180 from Town & County for works required on Edmund Green (The Rowans) **AB Proposed to accept the quote – HMS Seconded ALL AGREED**

To **CONSIDER** quote for £1,820 + VAT from Town and Country for works required on MPC land (Invoice lists MCC and MPC works totalling £5,100 + VAT) **JEC Proposed to accept quoted works for The Sycamores and The Rowans (totalling £260 + VAT) but defer works for Willow Crescent as currently not MPC owned land – AL**

Seconded ALL AGREED. Clerk to find the minute where MPC confirmed continuing with maintenance of Willow Crescent land.

(DO left 9:42pm) (JEC Proposed suspending Standing Orders limiting meeting time – AB Seconded ALL AGREED)

16 9th Liaison Meeting between Anglia Water and Milton Parish Air Quality Working Group

The minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 12 May 2021 were received

17 South Cambs District Council Parish/Cabinet Meeting – Monday 29 November 2021

To **CONSIDER** attendees and topics for discussion – **HMS attending**

18 MVAS in Milton

To **CONSIDER** request for purchasing a second MVAS for Milton – **The agreement to purchase a second shared MVAS was put on hold due to lack of volunteers to help move the unit between the 3 villages (Milton, Waterbeach and Landbeach). JEC to put out a press release asking for volunteers. To be discussed further at the December MPC meeting**

19 Milton Community Centre Report – September 2021

Maintenance: With the day light shortening and the increase in use of lights we are having to replace bulbs that have expired across the 3 sites. Work has been completed to remove taped floor markings in the Annexe, Main Building and North Lodge Pavilion that were put down at the start of lockdown. A new gate has been installed at the boundary of North Lodge to allow Colts Football to retrieve balls from the field. The wooden bench near the spider web has been removed and replaced with a metal one. The play area at Sycamores Rec is now fully open.

Bookings: Sadly Milton Netball Club is in the process of disbanding due to decreasing numbers however the adult friendly league has now started on a Thursday evening.

Kids-R-U's are still running Wraparound School Club sessions each weekday in the Annexe. Eddies Art Works continue to use The Youth Building at the Sycamores every week Monday to Friday. We have also seen the return of the Youth Club at the Youth Building on a Tuesday evening.

The Red Cross will be hiring the Bowls Pavilion from November the 8th to 28th of February. This will support the charity whilst they secure new premises and all existing users of the Pavilion will continue to be able to use it.

The 5 a side pitch continues to be popular in the weekday evenings with a mixture of both adult and children usage and Milton Colts have returned to using it.

Colts football has started with 18 teams for the season using all 3 sites in conjunction with adult football and Rangers football

Crime and Vandalism: Thankfully there has been no crime or vandalism to report.

20 County Councillor Report for Parish Council meetings in November 2021 - Cllr Anna Bradnam (Full report on MPC webpage)

Gas main installation works – Waterbeach and Milton (N to S)

Ely Road Milton – work is ongoing here and was due to complete this week but may need until 5 November.

Cambridge Road, Milton: Due for one final closure to connect to the parent main in Cambridge Road. This will require two-way traffic lights, first on one side, then on the other.

General: Final testing will run 8 – 22 Nov. No road closures will be needed.

Fulcrum aim to have the job finished by the end of November.

Information from Highways England about forthcoming works on/around the A14:

Next weekend, the 30th & 31st October, we will start night-time permanent lining works to the northern half of the **J33** gyratory at **Milton** which will include a full closure of the A14 EB eastbound J33 exit slip (off the A14) with a diversion to **J34 (Fen Ditton)** and back (nights only).

The following weekend, the 6th & 7th November we will complete the lining works to the southern half of the gyratory. We will maintain access to the A10 NB & SB and also to Milton village throughout. We will switch from inner ring management to outer ring management throughout the shift to accommodate the lining works.

Transport – Rail: Network Rail advise us passenger numbers on the railway continue to increase, especially at weekends.

Education and Schools: From the 15th October to 21st October, we identified 1,240 cases across 199 settings. This is a **significant increase** from the 808 cases reported the previous week.

Vaccinations : Covid-19 vaccines are being offered to 12-15 year olds at large scale vaccination centres across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

www.nhs.uk/covidvaccine or by calling 119.

Health: Rates of Covid-19 in Cambridgeshire are now the highest they have been since recording began with hospital admissions also starting to rise.

Environment and Climate Change: Community Heat Initiative – and an e-bike ride to celebrate the project:

An electric bike ride from Cambridge to Swaffham Prior, to highlight a landmark retrofit scheme took place on 21 October, to mark the global climate change conference COP26.

The county council – which declared a climate emergency in 2019 - has set a target to cut 50% of its own direct carbon emissions by 2023 and it is on track to achieve this. For the wider Cambridgeshire area, the intention is to aim for net zero by 2030.

21 District Councillors Report November 2021 Cllrs Paul Bearpark, Anna Bradnam and Judith Rippeth (Full report on MPC webpage)

Waterbeach Community Forum (20/10/2021): At the recent Waterbeach Forum online we had presentations from planners and developers, on the Local Plan and on the GCP Better Public Transport team as well as a heads-up about proposed changes to level crossings in Waterbeach. Qs&As will be available on the webpage here

[Waterbeach Community Forum - South Cambs District Council \(scambs.gov.uk\)](http://WaterbeachCommunityForum-SouthCambsDistrictCouncil(scambs.gov.uk))

Parish Council Sport Facility Survey: Cambridge City Council and South Cambridge District Council are undertaking the development of a number of Sports Facilities Strategies, overseen by the Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service and external consultants, Strategic Leisure Ltd. [The clerk has forwarded the consultation link to MCC for completion.]

Children and young people grant fund 2022: Last week SCDC launched a new Children and Young People's Grant, designed to support local voluntary organisations (including Parish Councils) that run groups and activities that support our young residents.

Coronavirus pandemic: As of 17th October the South Cambs case rate is 514 cases per 100,000 population. Due to the high numbers in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, this area has been designated nationally as a priority with Special Covid Funding available.

Post-Covid Community Support Workshop 22 Nov 6-7 pm: SCDC are keen to support, facilitate and enable all parishes and community groups to continue their work Post-Covid. Please contact CLP@scambs.gov.uk with any questions related to Community-led plans.

Modern Day Slavery: 18th October marked Anti-Slavery Day raising awareness of its existence in society and how and what we can do to combat it.

New Consultations:

"On Your Doorstep" - Promoting Local Businesses: For more information, please visit [On your doorstep - South Cambs District Council \(scambs.gov.uk\)](http://Onyourdoorstep-SouthCambsDistrictCouncil(scambs.gov.uk))

22 Correspondence

Update from Waterbeach Barracks 15 October 2021 (Emailed to Councillors)

Cambs County Council online flood training for community groups (Emailed to Councillors)

COVID community update – 7 October 2021 (Emailed to Councillors)

COVID community update - 22 October 2021 (Emailed to Councillors)

Zero Carbon Communities Green Connect Event: "COP26: What it means for South Cambridgeshire" on the 9th November between 7.30pm and 8.30pm. (Emailed to Councillors)

Climate Change and Environment Strategy and Action Plan. Webinar on Thursday 11th November between 12:00 – 13:00 to hear about our ambitions and give you an opportunity to ask us any questions (Emailed to Councillors)

23 Dates of next meetings

Monday 15 November 2021 – Planning

Wednesday 17 November 2021 – Additional Finance & Administration

Monday 6 December 2021 – Parish Council

Monday 20 December 2021 – Planning (7pm), Maintenance 7:45pm

Meeting closed at 9:52pm Signed: Date: