

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HADDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday 13th June 2012 at 7.30pm at the Arkenstall Village Centre, Station Road, Haddenham, Cambs.

Attendance: Cllrs Bush, Fairchild, Goddard, Haigh, Hugo, Lyon, Norman, Page, Smith, Tindall, G Wilson, P Wilson and County Cllr Hunt.

In the absence of Cllr Parr (Chairman) it was agreed that Cllr Tindall would chair the meeting.

1. GUEST SPEAKER

Cllr Tindall welcomed Sally Bonnett, Infrastructure & Projects Officer for East Cambs District Council who presented the draft Village Vision Plans for Haddenham and Aldreth. Several amendments were made to the documents and they will be presented at the next meeting for final agreement prior to proceeding to the next stage. Cllr Tindall thanked Sally for attending.

At this point in the meeting Cllr Hunt was invited to address the Council. He firstly apologised for his recent absence due to ill health. He reported that there are plans for a new bus stop at Cambridge Station, which will link up with Milton Park & Ride. There are also significant improvements to the A14 in the pipeline. The Guided Bus continues to be a success with more car parking spaces planned for the near future. There will be a review of the new household waste and recycling centre in October and he would be pleased to receive any comments/suggestions for improvement. He is pleased that the 40mph limit is now in place along Station/Sutton Road and continues to support the move to reduce the speed limit to 40mph between Wilburton and Haddenham. A new railway station at the Science Park is planned and this together with the proposed Ely Southern By-Pass will be of great benefit to Haddenham. He is aware of the possible cuts to the 106 bus service and is working to find other ways to supplement it. He is also pleased that the speed limit on the A10 has been retained at 60mph apart from a small section of road near the entrance to Little Thetford. Cllr Hunt is working on a scheme whereby school pupils could use the County Council buses at a reduced ticket cost. He is also totally committed to bringing Superfast Broadband to the villages and would urge everyone to sign up to the petition.

- 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** having been circulated to all members were taken as read. Cllr Hugo requested an amendment to the wording of Item 34, paragraph 5 to now read, "Cllr Page enquired about a bus shelter in Aldreth but was advised that this has already been looked at in the past but it could be timely now for it to be considered again". Cllr Lyon proposed and Cllr Fairchild seconded that subject to this amendment the minutes should be signed as a true record of the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

3. MATTERS TO REPORT

- a. Repairs at Long Drove:** (See Minutes MM 05/2012 Item 34 para 6) The Clerk advised that upon reporting the problems temporary repairs had been carried out immediately although permanent repairs to the potholes were already programmed in. These should have been carried out two weeks later.
- b. Dog fouling at Closed Cemetery:** (See Minutes MM 05/2012 Item 17D) The Clerk had reported the problem to the District Council again and had been assured that the Environmental Enforcement Officer would carry out some patrols. She had also placed an article in the June issue of Village VOICE. A response to that article had been received via VOICE from a Haddenham resident, who felt it was unfair for the article to address all dog owners as it is the minority of irresponsible ones who are causing the problems. She also mentioned that she had not witnessed unsupervised dogs and spoke of other open spaces in the parish where dog fouling is also a problem. The Clerk will respond appropriately to the points raised in the letter.
- c. Wheelie bin:** (See Minutes MM 05/2012 Item 33) The Clerk had been advised by AmeyCespa that it would be more economical to have the current bin emptied weekly instead of upgrading to a larger bin. She had consulted the parish councillors during the month about this and they had agreed it was acceptable.

- 4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from Cllr Parr – personal commitment.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs P & G Wilson and Smith declared an interest in Item 17.