

13. RENEWAL OF ENERGY CONTRACT

Cllr Tindall proposed and Cllr Smith seconded that a 24-month contract, effective from 13th June 2012, should be signed with E-ON for the unmetered supply of energy for the parish streetlights. Motion carried unanimously.

(PCA 1957 s3)

14. REPLACEMENT STREET LIGHTING CONTRACT

Cllr Smith reported that MHB Services Ltd, the current maintenance contractor, had unfortunately gone into liquidation and with this in mind the Clerk had obtained three alternative quotes to cover the maintenance. She had also been advised by the firm dealing with the liquidation that an approved company called Westcotec Ltd had purchased MHB and all current contracts had transferred to them. Cllr Smith proposed and Cllr Goddard seconded that the Council should stay with Westcotec Ltd and allow the current contract to run for the time being. Motion carried unanimously.

(LGA 1894 s8(1)(i))

15. HADDENHAM INCLOSURE AWARD

Cllr Fairchild proposed and Cllr Bush seconded that the Clerk should ask Jez Reeve to have copies of the three Award Maps made at a cost £110.00. (See Minutes MM 04/2012 Item 18) Motion carried unanimously.

(LGA 1972 s227)

16. REQUEST FOR FUNDING FROM GUPPY'S POND COMMITTEE

Cllr Fairchild proposed and Cllr Haigh seconded that the requested payment of £200 should be made immediately to top up the bank account for Guppy's Pond.

(LGA 1894 s8(1)(i))

17. TENANCY RENT REVIEWS

A review of the current rents for Haddenham Pre-School, Haddenham Sports & Social Club and the Cadets was carried out and it was agreed that there should be no increase for a further twelve months. Cllr Fairchild proposed and Cllr Page seconded. Motion carried by a show of 9 hands. Cllrs G & P Wilson and Smith abstained as they had declared an interest. The next review will be carried out in June 2013.

18. ELY PARKING CHARGES

Cllr Hunt had requested the view of the Council regarding parking charges in Ely. The following votes in principle were recorded:

Do you support the introduction of off street car parking charges in Ely? **Yes – 6, No –3, Abstentions – 3**

If yes when would be a suitable introduction date? **No response**

Do you support the introduction of on street car parking charges in Ely? **Yes – 1, No – 7, Abstentions – 4**

19. CONSULTATION ON APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR FOR 2012/13 AND FUTURE YEARS

The Clerk advised that the Audit Commission is looking to appoint a new firm of external auditors called Littlejohn to carry out the auditing of small local bodies. The Parish Council has no objections to this appointment.

20. INTERNAL AUDIT 2011/12

The Clerk was pleased to report that the Internal Audit had returned no issues for action.