

14. HADDENHAM SOCIAL CLUB LIGHTS

(See Minutes MM 10/2013 Item 9E) Cllr Smith proposed and Cllr Parr seconded that the six column lights belonging to Haddenham Social Club should be added to the Parish Council's maintenance agreement with Westcotec Ltd with effect from 1st February, with the proviso that any expenditure for repairs due to unfair wear and tear or replacements will remain the responsibility of the Social Club. Motion carried unanimously. For the purposes of the contract the lights will be numbered 1 – 6.

15. REQUEST FROM HADDENHAM BONFIRE COMMITTEE

Cllr Tindall proposed and Cllr Parr seconded that permission should be granted for the annual bonfire and fireworks display to be held at Fairchild's Meadows on Friday 7th November 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

16. QUALITY STATUS

The Clerk advised that the Council's Quality Status is due to expire on 29th September this year and she asked if the Council wished to apply for re-accreditation for a further four years. Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr P Wilson seconded that information regarding the advantages and disadvantages of the accreditation plus the cost of the application fee should be put together and reported back to the February meeting for a decision to be taken then. Motion carried unanimously.

17. REQUEST FROM ARK TODDLER GROUP

Cllr Hugo proposed and Cllr Parr seconded that permission should be granted for the Ark Toddler Group to use the Non-Conformist Burial Ground Open Space on 1st April (Easter Egg Hunt) and 22nd July (Toddlers party) subject to the area being left in a clean and tidy state and no parking of cars on The Green. Motion carried by a show of 10 hands. Cllrs G & P Wilson abstained.

18. MATTERS TO REPORT

Cllr Tindall wished to say that he felt the new "U" shape layout of the meeting tables was much better.

He also asked if the installation of a dog bin for Lode Way could be considered at the next Environmental Overview meeting for a recommendation to Full Council.

Cllr Hugo apologised for his heated comments earlier during the discussion of the mast for Berry Fen.

Cllr Norman reported that the road from Lode Way down to the cut bank bridge is narrow and difficult to pass and he felt that the lay by opposite Cllr Tindall's house would benefit from a load of planings to improve it as a passing place. The Clerk will look into this.

Some properties in the village had been experiencing low water pressure but the cause was not known.

(See Minutes MM 09/2013 Item 20) Cllr Lyon and the Clerk had met with Nick Ball the District Councils Community Safety Officer and he will investigate the possibility of working with the Parish Council on a project to install CCTV at Top Corner.

Dancers had been seen on The Green on Monday and it was advised that they were celebrating Plough Monday.

Cllr Norman reported that a new transformer box had appeared on The Green and the Clerk will take this up with BT, although it is thought that they have a statutory right to install their boxes without permission.

The Clerk advised that with effect from the minutes of this meeting the minute reference at the top of the page would be changed from "MM" to "FC" to reflect more accurately that they are Full Council minutes.

(See Minutes MM 09/2013 Item 22) The Clerk also advised that the apple trees at Feast's Green had been planted and Ms Barbara Grafton and Dr Alan James had signed a declaration gifting them to the parish and relinquishing any further legal or financial interest in them.