

It was agreed that support should be canvassed from all of Witcham, Witchford, Wentworth, Sutton, Mepal, and Chatteris Parish Councils, as these improvements were of strategic importance to all residents.

Cllr G Wilson undertook to make the necessary submissions to ECDC on our behalf.

14. ARK TODDLER GROUP

A request from the Ark Toddler Group to use the Non-Conformist Burial Ground for two events – an Easter Egg Hunt on 25th March and a Holiday Club on 22nd July – was submitted. Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr Goddard seconded that approval should be granted to this request. The motion was carried unanimously.

15. LAND REGISTRATION

Before confirming our ownership of the Recreation Ground, we need to revisit a previous issue regarding the boundary between the Council land and Hobbit House on Hop Row. This needs to be clarified with the former owners. Cllr Parr undertook to make enquiries with them. The item will be brought back to the meeting in February. All other areas to be registered appear to be non-contentious.

16. PARISH ELECTIONS IN MAY 2015

The procedure for lodging nominations will be advertised in the Village Voice, the website and the Parish Notice Boards.

17. HADDENHAM YOUTH PROVISION 2015/16

The Council has been advised by Cambridgeshire County Council of a proposal to replace the current Youth Club in the Pavilion with a "Connections Bus", which would visit weekly. They intend to cease the provision of the permanent facility at the end of March, but have enquired as to whether they would be able to benefit from the Parish Council's grant, which is made to support the Club. Cllr G Wilson undertook to make further enquiries before a decision is made on this.

18. MATTERS TO REPORT

It was noted that some residents have been dissatisfied with the reliability of the new Zipper bus service. This will be taken up with Cllr Bill Hunt.

Consultation has been undertaken in Aldreth, ~~by means of a leaflet to every house~~, to test the level of interest in a possible connecting taxi service between Aldreth and Haddenham to be funded by the Parish Council. It was ~~also~~ circulated in an ACA newsletter. The outcome was that only one person would have been interested, so the idea will be dropped.

A lady in Aldreth had enquired whether a portakabin could be put on the Aldreth Playing Field to be used by Tindertots. The consensus of the meeting was that this would be impractical.

It was reported that some people had enquired as to how we could protect the Village Green from encroachment by traffic mounting the kerb. This was noted and will be investigated.

Cllr Parr reported that she was to become the new Speedwatch coordinator for Haddenham and Aldreth.

Cllr Lyon reported that he had received a positive response from ECDC Planning Department regarding the possible change of use of Wayman's Pits to an amenity area. A planning application will be required.