

if the work is complete and if it would be beneficial to have SLOW painted on the road from both directions. Speeding in the High Street had also been raised and the Clerk was asked to write to local farmers regarding the speed of tractors using the High Street. Enquiries will be made with the Highways Officer regarding traffic calming measures and painting the yellow and white lines. The Clerk will also follow up on a meeting held earlier in the year to look at the possibility of installing CCTV. The possible crossing in Station Road was also discussed and one resident had asked to attend the meeting to obtain more information on this subject. The cost of a pelican or zebra crossing plus ongoing maintenance would be too high for the Parish Council to fund without assistance. A recent accident at Top Corner had provoked some thought regarding the installation of traffic lights at the junction and Cllr G Wilson would speak to Cllr Hunt about this. East Cambs had organised vacuum cleaning in Station Road and the pavement to clear straw. Cllr Bush had received a letter asking for consideration to be given to extending the footpath from Hillrow down to Earith but it was agreed this would be impossibly expensive.

- C. **Allotments:** A meeting will be arranged shortly to discuss removing posts installed at the Burial Ground site at the latter end of 2013.
- D. **Fairchild's Meadows:** The next meeting will be held on 4th June. Haddenham Young Farmers had asked if they could plant an oak tree in the Meadows in memory of Cllr Fairchild and it was agreed this would be a nice idea. The exact location will be considered by the Meadows Group at its next meeting.
- E. **Aldreth Community Association:** The next meeting would be held on 15th May. Cllr Page was assured that the grass verge in School Lane has been included in Fergusons grass cutting schedule.
- F. **Arkenstall Centre:** An offer of £31,000 grant funding had been received from WREN for the refurbishment of the toilets. The contractors are now being consulted and it is hoped work will start in July.
- G. **Haddenham Library:** The Local History Group Picture Show had been well attended on 29th April.
- H. **Guppy's Pond:** Some high level wires had been put across a gap in the hedge recently to deter fishing but unfortunately one had been cut and there was evidence that illegal fishing had taken place. Items found in the vicinity suggest it could have been non-English speaking people and they may not have been able to read the signs. Ways to stop the problem are being investigated and the Police have also been alerted to the issue.
- I. **Recreation:** A leak in the Pavilion roof is being attended to. The Clerk had also reported that tiles in Changing Room C are becoming loose.

16. PAYMENTS PROCEDURE

(See Minutes FM 02/2014 Item 13) Following the repeal of the two-signature rule for payments the Finance & Emergency Committee wished to recommend the approval and adoption of the Payments Procedure for all types of payments, which had been circulated to all councillors. Cllr Tindall proposed and Cllr Parr seconded that the Procedure should be adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

17. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT & INTERNAL AUDIT REVIEW 2013/14

The Internal Audit Report and Review documents had been circulated to all members and the Clerk confirmed there were no issues for action. Cllr G Wilson proposed and Cllr Parr seconded that the Council should approve both. Motion carried unanimously.

18. ANNUAL RETURN 2013/14: ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS

All councillors had received a copy of the Accounting Statements showing year-end figures plus relevant information from the 2013/14 year-end accounts. Cllr Tindall proposed and Cllr G Wilson seconded that the Statements and accounts should be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

19. ANNUAL RETURN 2013/14: ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr P Wilson seconded that Questions 1 – 8 on the Statement should be answered "YES" and Question 9 "N/A". Motion carried unanimously.