

it could cost £3m to £6m to re-house them. He supports the concept to consider business expansion with Nanjiing and form a trading partnership. Work has started on the new railway station at the Science Park and there are plans for railways to focus on linking various routes in the County. He has grave concerns about the damage that could be caused to roads by heavy turbine construction traffic. The hourly bus service is still going forward and the results of the tenders are awaited. It will run for a trial period of two years but if regular usage during that time is not high enough it will cease at the end of the trial period. He urged everyone to take part in the on-line consultations regarding the County Council budget and the waste recycling centres.

Cllr P Wilson had also attended the Hod Hall Lane appeal and had been complimented on her speech. She feels it would be good for this issue to reach a conclusion now. She also mentioned the survey regarding the waste recycling centres. The District Council had held interviews to appoint two assistant directors and one of the people chosen was the existing Housing Officer, Jo Brooks but the other vacancy has yet to be filled.

Cllr G Wilson had attended two planning meetings; one to discuss 70 houses at Burwell and the other to discuss the two applications from Gladman Developments for Witchford and Wilburton Road, both had been refused as reported earlier. Gladman have appealed both decisions and already submitted an amended plan for Witchford. The need for additional housing in Haddenham and the access are both critical points relating to the proposal. He also mentioned the Hod Hall Lane appeal and advised that the County Council has found that the majority of the road is adopted highway and some repairs have been carried out on potholes. The Finance Committee had discussed the audit and internal audit reports and they should be completed by the end of September. At a Full Council meeting in July two resolutions had been put forward; one on planning committee rules and the other on staffing numbers, which was turned down. At a Full Council meeting on 4th September the Council will be looking for an additional 320 houses for the Local Development Plan, then it will go out to consultation again before going back to the Inspector. A meeting is due to be held on 16th October to discuss the Supplementary Planning Document with an explanation of the paragraph on renewable energy. If it is adopted this document should carry some weight as a policy.

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, WORKING PARTIES & COMMUNITY GROUP REPRESENTATIVES

- A. **Finance & Emergency Committee:** All councillors had received a copy of the draft minutes FM 04/2014 from the last meeting on 29th July.
- B. **Environmental Overview:** All councillors had received a copy of the minutes from the last meeting on 14th July. The back hedge and brambles have not been cut back in the Aldreth Play Area and this needs to be done as soon as possible. A review of the grounds maintenance contractor and financial position of the contracts was carried out. Future plans for Wayman's Pits were discussed. The ivy around the Church needs to be removed and also from the wall and fence. A pollarding regime and schedule for the lime trees in the Closed Cemetery will be drawn up. It is hoped the installation of the new dog bin in the Non Conformist Burial Ground will help with the fouling problem. Damaged posts on The Green were discussed and the Clerk had been asked to obtain quotes for their replacement.
- C. **Guppy's Pond:** A person had been caught fishing at the Pond and reminded that it is illegal. The entrance to the new observation area will be opened up when the next work party is held. The Annual Boating Day would be held on 7th September and a work party will meet in the morning before it starts. There was some discussion on the desirability of acquiring the Long Ponds area and this would be discussed by the Fairchild's Meadows Group at its next meeting on 8th September.
- D. **Street Lighting:** A pole at the top of Froize End has been replaced by UK Power Networks and they have taken away the Parish Council bracket light. The Clerk is currently pursuing the matter.
- E. **Aldreth Community Association:** The next meeting will be held on 5th September.
- F. **Arkenstall Village Centre:** The Executive Committee had met on 2nd September and a further meeting would be held in the coming week. The refurbishment work on the toilets has been re-programmed to start in October,
- G. **Recreation:** The Committee had met to discuss proposals for the Pavilion and this would come up under Item 16.