

However, the councillors agreed that they could not commit to deliver flyers to every household in Haddenham & Aldreth.

### Local Government & Rating Act 1997 s29

Cllr Hunt had advised that the cash-accepting element of the Guided Busway ticket machines has been suspended but the machines are accepting credit/debit cards and passengers are still able to pay by cash on the bus. For the Cambridge Park & Ride sites there are ticket machines, which accept the correct change or credit/debit cards for the parking element and the ticket to ride. It is also possible to pay in advance for the parking element by visiting [www.cambridgeparkandride.com](http://www.cambridgeparkandride.com).

Cllr Hunt had tabled a motion at a special District Council meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> September that the Council request the Secretary of State to conduct an urgent review of current National Planning Policy Framework in relation to renewable energy and the motion was carried. The Council also endorsed a policy to cover issues relating to proposed large scale renewable energy applications, i.e., involving communities in the determination of plans, comprehensive justification for proposed developments on high agricultural land, adverse impact on communities and highway network, all large scale applications to be considered by the Planning Committee, siting of small scale or micro schemes and demonstration from the applicant that they have fully complied with all the requirements within the policy and any other planning considerations. Cllr Hugo advised that the Planning Officer has suggested that the Berry Fen Wind Farm application should go to the February Planning Committee but it is felt by parishioners that it should be heard earlier because they want to know if ECDC is supporting them. The Clerk was asked to speak to Cllr G Wilson and then if necessary write to the Planning Dept and ask for the matter to be expedited more quickly.

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Cllrs Wilson had both taken part in the interview process for two new assistant directors at East Cambs, reporting to the Chief Executive John Hill. One has already started and the other will start in December.

The Corporate Governance and Finance Committee had met to agree the ECDC annual accounts and also to hear an explanation of the pension accounting process.

## 9. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, WORKING PARTIES & COMMUNITY GROUP REPRESENTATIVES

- A. **Finance & Emergency Committee:** The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2014.
- B. **Planning Committee:** The next meeting will be held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2014.
- C. **Road Safety:** All councillors had received a copy of the minutes from the last group meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> September. Items discussed included parking issues outside Hardwicke Fields, which PCSO Annie has been dealing with and Speedwatch data, which Robert Bush would put on the website. Improving safety at the crossroads had been discussed but traffic lights are too expensive and grant bodies will not give money for road improvements as it is felt the County Council should improve them. Once the Ely bypass is in Cllr Hunt will try to get the A1123 and A1142 downgraded to B roads. It was also agreed that no bid would be submitted for the Local Highways Improvement Scheme for 2015/16. The provision of a footpath to Wayman's Pits had been discussed and a site meeting held to consider the possibility of providing footpath access using the spoil from the current development to embank Station Road, opposite Ansons, to provide sufficient width for a path. Since the meeting, information had been received from the County Council regarding specified widths and the Clerk was asked to set up a site meeting with the landowner, Sanctuary Hereward and County Highways to discuss the matter further.
- D. **Environmental Overview:** Cllr Norman reported that the Friends of Haddenham had cleared part of The Mound and used some of the money raised from the Fen Ride to buy and plant crocus bulbs on The Mound, The Green, the Bier House, the entrance to Hardwicke Fields and the Station Road and Hillrow Pond Sites. A letter of thanks will be sent to the Friends.
- E. **Haddenham Library:** Nineteen children had received their medals and certificates for completing the Summer Reading Challenge "Mythical Maze". An older child had also completed the new "Imagination" summer challenge for those in secondary education and she had received a certificate for her work. The new lease and the Service Level Agreement from the Library Service have been received to be agreed and signed.

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- 10. **MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 2014** having been circulated to all members were taken as read. Having considered his position Cllr Cheetham wished to add his declaration of a personal interest to the minutes and this would be added

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