

- v **Openness** Holders of public office should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for so doing.
- vi **Honesty** Holders of public office should be truthful.
- vii **Leadership** Holders of public office should exhibit these principles in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs.

Motion carried unanimously.

18. REQUEST FROM BONFIRE COMMITTEE TO USE FAIRCHILD'S MEADOWS

Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr Haigh seconded that permission should be granted for the annual bonfire and fireworks display to be held at Fairchild's Meadows on Friday 8th November 2013.

19. STRAW LORRIES

The Council had received correspondence from Mr Chris Prescott and Mr Alastair Roberts, both residents in Station Road regarding the issue of the straw lorries and this had been discussed earlier under Item 5. The Clerk had also received confirmation from the Planning Enforcement Officer that the straw burning log had been checked and found to be in order. It was agreed that the Clerk should action the following points:

- Write to East Cambs District Council to ask for the frequency of clearing up litter in Station Road to be increased from six weekly to fortnightly and to include the pavements as well as kerbside.
- Contact the Environmental Enforcement Officer and ask him to look into the issue of straw litter in Station Road and ask what powers can be used to prevent it.
- Write to Cambs County Council Highways and ask for a gully-cleaning programme in Station Road to be put in progress straight away even if it is in advance of any planned programme.
- Write to the Planning Enforcement Officer and ask him how often the straw burning plant log has been viewed by East Cambs and also ask him to contact all hauliers listed in the log to remind them of the preferred route via the A10 and A142.

20. CCTV AT TOP CORNER

Cllr Hugo proposed and Cllr Parr seconded that the Council should agree in principle to pursue a feasibility study to investigate the possibility of installing CCTV at Top Corner to try to tackle the illegal parking issues at the top of the High Street. Motion carried by a show of 11 hands. Cllr Norman was against. It was suggested that it might be possible to link a system up with the CCTV in Ely.

21. OPEN SPACES GROUP

Cllr Tindall proposed and Cllr Bush seconded that the Open Spaces Group should be disbanded as its responsibilities can all now be covered under the Environmental Overview Group. Motion carried unanimously. Cllr Page will be added to the membership of the Environmental Overview Group.