

**Minutes of the Meeting of Caldecote Parish Council  
on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2006 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs F Wolton (Chairman), J Lang, A Levett, P Phillips, B Drayton and S. Breeze

**In attendance:** County Councilor D. Baldwin Mr. R Hume (Clerk) and 2 members of the public

**114. Apologies for absence and also declaration of interests from members:**

**Apologies were received from** Cllr Stopp, Cllr Footman and Cllr Whyatt

**Declaration of interests for planning items:**

**S0560/06/F Cllr Phillips Adjoining property and related**

**S0558/06/O Cllr Drayton Lives in the same road**

**S2327/05//F Cllr Levett Lives in same road**

**S0558/06/O Cllr Breeze Lives in same road**

**115. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2006.**

On a proposition by Cllr Levett, seconded by Cllr Phillips the minutes were approved as a true record of the meeting, with no amendments.

The Chairman then signed the minutes.

**116 Matters arising for information only (Clerk's report).**

116.1 (76.3 57.2 49.2.4 52.6 52.5 39.2.1) **School flashing lights** – The posts have been erected and the lights are due to be installed soon.

**117 Matters carried forward from the last meeting for discussion / decision**

117.1 **Highways** - Further complaints about speed thumps damaging cars including a letter from a resident. A letter had been received from the County Council (Steve Thulbourn) explaining that the speed thumps were constructed to regulation standard.

It was felt that the Parish council had done all it could to point out the problems and no further action would be taken at this time. Residents were encouraged to seek compensation.

117.2 (102.6) **Quiet Lanes designation** – Cllr Whyatt absent, refer to next meeting

117.3 (97.6) **Bus shelter** - Decision on brick for a new bus shelter, the brick offered was accepted as suitable, the clerk was asked to confirm the order and ask that work be started as soon as possible, It should be mentioned that the contractor should be careful not to damage underground services when constructing.

**118. Finance and procedural matters**

118.1 To receive the financial report and approve the payment of bills

<b>Expenditure approved</b>			<b>CHQ NO.</b>
SP Building Services	Paving/Fencing	534.62	545
Roger Hume	Salary March	243.48	546
Kathie Martlew	Salary March	33.00	DD
<b><i>Late Payments for April meeting</i></b>			
Roger Hume	Clerk Expenses	99.07	547
MD Landscapes	Weeding/Shrub Maint.	881.25	548
Inland Revenue	PAYE 2005/6 (less refund for on line payment last year)	361.01	549
LGS Services	Journal Printing	312.00	550
Allianz and Cornhill	Caldecote Parish Insurance	1001.76	551

The invoices were checked and initialed by 2 councilors.

**119. To attend to correspondence/communications received since the last meeting including**

**119.1 Parishioner correspondence**

**119.1.1 Resident of Clare Drive** queried turning head removal, The clerk has explained why - and that the Parish Council had requested its retention. His concern was about on street parking. He also mentioned the problem roundabout exit from Clare Drive. The resident will be invited to any meeting arranged with highways.

**119.1.2 Resident Letter re speed thumps** was received but he did not wish to be named. The clerk will write to the resident to acknowledge.

**119.2 Other Correspondence**

**119.2.1 Consultation on proposals to change the election system .**

The clerk was asked to respond that proposed changes are not supported by the Parish Council.

**119.2.2 Extension to consultation period – Minerals and Waste Disposal**

No response was deemed necessary, a new consultation document on planned services was presented and Cllr Wolton will respond if necessary.

**119.2.3 Charges for Legal Advice SCDC** A letter from SCDC confirmed that they will not now offer some legal help, except for code of conduct issues and standards. The parish Council has access to legal advice via the clerk with CALC and SLCC.

**119.2.4 Standards committee – appointment of Parish Council members**

No volunteer was identified from Caldecote Parish Council

**119.2.5 Rural Speeding - appeal for safer driving**

A Poster has been put on the village notice board.

**119.2.6 Biodiversity Consultation SCDC.** A vision of conservation.

An impressive document and Cllr Wolton offered to study it and respond if necessary.

**119.2.7 Consultations on Public Paths order applications –** The report was received without comment.

**119.2.8 JB Development Services (Bloor Homes) Adoption of Public Open Spaces –** work to be carried out and legal representation was confirmed as Mills & Reeve, the clerk will write and confirm..

**119.2.9 Tree related subsidence** at Green Ley, The Green, Kingston CB3 7NN

This area is in Kingston and it was felt that they should contact Kingston parish Council

**119.2.10 Letter from TKA's solicitor** - requesting copies of correspondence between the Parish Council and TKA companies from 1998 to July 2004 ( under the Freedom of information act). This has resulted in quite a lot of work, around 150 pages have been sent, SCDC also asked for copies of any papers sent to them as well, hence higher photocopying bill this month. It had not been possible to charge for this extra work, the ex clerk and resident Gail Stoehr was thanked for helping out with information.

**Also Letter** copied to the Parish Council from Andrew Lansley MP, suggesting a reduction in times of operation, (after a meeting with TKA).. Also an email copied to the council from Brian Heffernan. The clerk was asked to write to all parties to say that the parish council would not accept any level of disturbance to residents.

**119.2.11 Letter from Ashwells (Grafton Drive area).** Problems reported, flags stolen, ropes cut, youth also congregating with drink, foul language.

The clerk was asked to write to the community policeman and his inspector expressing disappointment with the lack of patrols, and also suggest to Ashwells that they use their CCTV to catch those responsible.

District Cllr Baldwin also offered to write to the police.

Youth have been seen in and around the nearby unoccupied house and the clerk was asked to contact the owner to see if security could be improved.

**120 To attend to Planning received since the previous meeting**

**120.1 LDF Objection sites**, a number of proposals have been made to increase the size of Cambourne, the clerk was asked to respond objecting to all the sites. Including the 2 sites on the edge of Caldecote at Bourn Airfield. Also pointing out the noise problems associated with TKA. Proposed by Cllr Levett seconded by Cllr Breeze

**120.2 S2327/05/F Dwelling land rear of 53 Highfields Road – water surface drainage details**  
The application was recommended for approval with the following recommendation.  
The Council recommends connection to any existing West Drive drainage system and/or 79 West Drive - Proposed by Cllr Levett seconded by Cllr Wolton

**120.3 S0535/06/A Relocation of Sign to Industrial Est. Bourn airfield – to roundabout.**  
This application is recommended for approval  
It is recommended that illumination should be avoided for road safety reasons, drivers would be distracted. - Cllr Levett seconded by Cllr Wolton

**Cllr Phillips left the room at this point as he had declared a prejudicial interest**

**120.4 S0560/06/F Dwelling and garage – 12 East Drive Caldecote**  
No Recommendation is offered  
The following comments are made  
Concern over the narrow road access on East Drive which will need addressing now or eventually as other sites are likely to be developed in a similar way.  
Services may also need upgrading., Standard comments to be added.  
Proposed by Cllr Drayton seconded by Cllr Breeze

**Cllr Philips rejoined the meeting**

**120.5 S0558/06/O Erection of house following demolition of existing building 64a West Drive Highfields Caldecote**  
Application was recommended for REFUSAL  
Outside the village framework  
The existing building is known to be no more than a chicken shed.  
The proposal would result in a substantial change in the nature of the site  
Standard comments to be added. Proposed by Cllr Breeze seconded by Cllr Phillips

**120.6 S2107/05/F Extensions and gate – 8 Highfields Road, Highfields Caldecote**  
The application is recommended for REFUSAL  
Overdevelopment of site  
Proposed garage still abuts boundary and poor elevation to the street scene  
Standard comments to be added. Proposed by Cllr Wolton seconded by Cllr Lang.

**120.7 Decisions for note only**  
S0029/06/F Front Plot at 84 West Drive Highfields Caldecote                      **Approved**  
S0096/06/F Glasshouse at Church Meadow Main Street Caldecote                      **Approved**

**120.8 Notice of appeal S1426/05/F Extension at 16 West Drive Caldecote – original response will be sent to inspector.**

**121. The village development, recreation grounds and public open spaces.**

**121.1 Sport and Recreation** – there is a meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> April, Julie Barnes (Architect) will attend to discuss the new pavilion.

**121.2 Ashwells Footbridge** - A problem has been identified with the Ashwells footbridge to the new sports area, a ransom strip had been retained by the land owner. Ashwells have been asked to remove the bridge by the end of the month.

Cllr Drayton volunteered to contact the owners agent to see if an agreement could be reached to retain the bridge, Cllr Wolton will contact Ashwells with the outcome. It is hoped to delay removal of the bridge while negotiations continue.

#### 122 Councillors' items

122.1 **The West Drive/Grafton Drive road signs** have still not been changed, the clerk will remind Dianne Duncan at SCDC

122.2 **The new Shop** is open, the council recorded its thanks to Cllr Drayton and all who have made this facility possible.

A second shop possibly a hairdresser is being negotiated, the apartments have been sold.

122.3 **The A428** – Road works are about to be started beyond Hardwick.

122.4 Councillors offered their sincere thanks to the retiring members of the Parish Council. The clerk reminded remaining councillors that a new chairman will be needed at the first meeting of the new council on 11<sup>th</sup> May.

**It was proposed to offer the remaining vacancy to a resident who tried to be nominated but was not on the register in time.**

122.5 **Roadway Gulleys** need cleaning on Highfields Road (59 to 61) the clerk was asked to remind Highways of this problem.

Also the clerk was asked to report general untidiness/litter in hedgerows and verges.

122.6 **The petrol station on the A428** – The clerk has written to the owners asking that the damaged sign indicating no right turn out of the premises is reinstated as soon as possible.

122.7 **The Chairman** Cllr Wolton expressed his thanks to all other councillors for their assistance during his term, and the clerk for all his efforts on behalf of Caldecote residents and the council.

#### 123. Closure of meeting and parish matters.

**The meeting was adjourned briefly to allow members of the public present to raise any issues**

**There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 21-40**

#### Items for Note, if you wish to view any item please ask the clerk

- **Cambridgeshire ACRE** Community Action magazine
- **The Naturally Active** web site is at <http://www.naturallyactive.org/> to help rural communities who are trying to develop facilities. – Jane Lampshire SCDC large poster available from the clerk
- **Disability sports** and social club directory 2006
- **Bus concessionary fares** from April 2006 leaflet
- **Training for Chairmen** 14<sup>th</sup> July 2006 St Ives 7 to 9-30 pm - £35
- **FREE Finance training** for community groups–SCDC and CVS 19 free half day workshops
- **Ramblers association** Newsletter Spring 2006
- **Comberton Village College News letter and Farmers Market to be held at the college**

Roger Hume  
Clerk and RFO  
12<sup>th</sup> April 2006