

**DRAFT - Minutes of the Meeting of Caldecote Parish Council  
on Thursday 23rd July 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllr Jack Lang, Cllr Tom Footman, Cllr John Newby, Cllr Alan Levett, Cllr Doreen Francis and Cllr Tumi Hawkins.

**In attendance:** Mr. Roger Hume (Clerk), no members of the public were present.

**514 Apologies for absence and also declaration of interests from members**

Apologies have been received from Cllr Whelan and Cllr Whyatt.

There were 2 declarations of interest for planning items:-

Agenda item 520.1.2 Cllr Hawkins home shares the boundary of this property.

Agenda item 520.1.2 Cllr Francis lives in the same road

**515 To approve the minutes** of the previous meeting on July 2<sup>nd</sup>

On a resolution by Cllr Footman and seconded by Cllr Levett the minutes were approved as a true record with no amendments, all were agreed.

**516 Matters arising for information and discussion, clerks report.**

**516.1 Parish Plan Report**

The Parish plan questionnaire has been sent out and the chairman congratulated the committee for an excellent job, well done.

Cllr Tumi Hawkins arrived at this point

**516.2 Youth Issues**

Nothing to report

**516.3 TKA report**

There was one report about sleep being disturbed on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July with clunking and banging noises from the factory from 11.51pm until past 2.35am.

Steven McCrystal from TKA had enquired about possibly providing some funding for the cricket wicket; Cllr Lang will follow this up with a letter.

**516.4 Speed limit** - in Main Street.

Some traffic continues to exceed the speed limit.

**516.5 Bus service**

The Sure Start centre is looking at the possibility of a bus to serve the planned facility.

**516.6 Traffic calming review report**

A reply to last months query has been received from Peter Whitehead for the consultant. "Although not explicitly mentioned, problems experienced by the ambulance service and other emergency services (as well as buses) are implicit in paragraph 4.17.

He suggested speed surveys are carried out at six locations, comprising both gateways (2) and nominally between each mini roundabout (4). This would cost £1510 plus VAT including the assistance of a specialist traffic counting contractor to install the necessary equipment on site".

He also gave permission for the content of the report to be posted on the Parish Council web site; this will be mentioned in the August journal.

The clerk has corresponded with the East of England Ambulance Service to see if they had any problems with the Caldecote speed thumps, their reply indicated that they prefer speed cushions which their vehicles can straddle. The cushion type does not slow down their ability to respond to patients suffering from life threatening emergencies and don't damage their vehicles when driving over them at speed.

It was decided to await a possible response from the County Council before committing to the speed surveys. No base line surveys had been done by the County Council before the thumps were installed.

Cllr Levett reported that he is receiving damage reports from residents and more are expected from the Journal item. Forms are available on line for claims direct to the County Council insurers.

## **517 Reports from the District and County**

**517.1 County Councillors Report - No report received this month**

**517.2 District Councillors Report - No report received this month**

## **518. Finance and procedural matters**

**518.1 To receive the financial report and approve the payment of bills**

<b>Late Payments July meeting</b>			
None			
<b>New Payments</b>			
Kathie Martlew (5)	Salary July Paid in August	84.00	Direct
Julie Coogan	Salary July Paid in August	336.48	Direct
Roger Hume	Salary July Paid in August	612.09	Direct
Roger Hume	Clerk Expenses June 2009	85.97	938
Eurooffice	Stationary/print cart	65.73	939
CiLCA module 7	Power of well being	15.00	940
Total Expenditure		1199.27	

### **The following items will appear on next month's statement**

<b>Late Payments 23<sup>rd</sup> July meeting</b>			
Jake Thompson	Journal delivery	45.00	941
Concept Carpentry	Gate repairs and notice board mods	244.04	942
Anglian playground services	Painting of equipment	3881.25	943

On a resolution by Cllr Levett and seconded by Cllr Footman the payments were checked, and approved. The cheques were signed and invoices and stubs initialed at the end of the meeting.

**518.2 Training Needs** – Please notify the clerk if you wish to take part in further training sessions.

**518.3 Power of wellbeing** - The clerk has completed the training to be able to use the Power and the essay module has been submitted for assessment. The clerk recommended that as there are no pressing needs to use the power, councillor training is undertaken after the election next May. The eligibility ends the day before an election and any new councillors would need to complete the training.

**519. To attend to correspondence/communications received since the previous meeting** (if it requires notification, discussion or decision).

**519.1 Parishioner correspondence.**

**519.1.1 None that require discussion**

**519.2 Other Correspondence**

**519.2.1 SCDC Public consultation** – The monthly report was received

**519.2.2 Children’s Centre** – General information was presented regarding the purpose of these centres. The report was received

**519.2.3 Swine Flu Centres** – Volunteers are required to help out at flu centres. The report was received

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

**520.Planning consultation**

**520.1.1 Site options for Gypsy & Traveller pitches and Travelling Show people plots** and draft planning policies through a 13-week period of public consultation from Friday 10 July to 12 noon on Friday 9 October 2009.

Although Caldecote is not listed for a site it was recommended that the planning working party should look at making responses in view of the possibility of Caldecote being included in the alternative sites next year.

Cllr Hawkins left the room at this point having declared a possible prejudicial interest.

**520.1.2 S0981/09/F 86 West Drive alterations and raising of the roof to 2 convert to storey dwelling.**

It was agreed to recommend for approval

Conditions will be recommended including the access surface and acoustic fencing to protect the adjoining property.

Cllr Hawkins returned to the meeting at this point

**520.2 To notify Decisions by South Cambs District Council – subject to conditions**

**520.2.1 S/0740/09/F 87 West Drive – erection of fence** **Approved**

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

**521.1 Taylor Wimpey Handover and maintenance.**

Further maintenance work has been carried out on the overgrown footpath.

Handover - The Parish Council solicitors have confirmed that no commuted sum payment is due for the 13 acre sports area, apart from a contribution to the cricket wicket.

The solicitor has been instructed to push ahead with the transfer.

**521.2 Maintenance** - Sports field Maintenance .

Cllr Newby is disappointed with the work, in particular the verti-draining has not been done, and he is meeting with the contractor on site this Saturday at 9am.

**521.2 Cricket wicket**

The artificial wicket is being used.

**521.3 Cabin** – Nothing to report

**521.4 Pavilion** – Nothing to report

**521.5 Banner 2 application** - Not imminent

**521.6 Sport and Recreation** - The next meeting is on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

**521.7 Playground**

The painting of the play equipment has been completed.

The sports area storage containers were painted bright red, the contractor has admitted this was an error and has now been repainted dark green.

**522 Councillors' items – Reports only (to be added to next agenda if necessary).**

522.1 Pot hole near the pumping station.

522.2 Hedges overgrowing the footpath at the school and opposite.

522.3 Drains blocked, West Drive (at the bend).

522.4 Clare Drive, damaged sign, complaint that the footpath is not accessible by wheelchairs.

522.5 Bridleway, possible housing application.

522.6 Chippings will be spread as soon as possible.

522.7 Picket fence removed in Clare Drive.

522.8 Dog mess reported on Hall Drive.

**522.9** Salt bin at the school requires filling.

**522.10** The litter bin at the bus stop on the old A428 Childerely, one more attempt will be made to fix the bin that has been vandalised again.

**523 Closure of meeting and parish matters**

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9pm.

**Date of next Parish Council meetings**

**Thursday September 3rd 2009 at 7-30**

**It will probably be necessary to hold a meeting for urgent items and planning on August 27<sup>th</sup>.** 2 new chalet dwellings at 99 West Drive, (ref 1028/09/O)

**SOUTH CAMBS PARISH FORUM** - Meetings will be held in South Cambs on the following dates and locations: - Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2009 at 10.00am  
South Cambs District Council, Council Chamber, Cambourne

**Items for Note - Please ask the clerk for details**

Rural Services Community - Weekly Rural Focus Digest - 6 July 2009 available by email  
In Focus - Newsletter Cambridge Housing Society Summer 2009  
Comberton VC newsletter – summer 2009

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Date