

HEMINGFORD GREY PARISH COUNCIL

I hereby give notice that as previously arranged, the Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 9 April 2018 in the Reading Room, High Street Hemingford Grey at 7.30pm

The Public and Press are cordially invited to be present.

The order of business may be varied at the Chairman's discretion.

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out below.



Gail Stoehr, Clerk 03/04/18

AGENDA

Comments and observations on agenda items from members of the public and reports from the County & District Councillors

1. To approve apologies for absence and to note resignations
2. To receive declarations of interests from councillors on items on the agenda
3. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting
4. To consider matters arising from the last or a previous meeting for info only unless detailed
 - 4.1 (5.1) Appointment of Newsletter Editor and consideration of content ^(AM)
 - 4.2 (5.0.6) Electronic speed signs – to consider installation and delivery arrangements
 - 4.3 (7.3) Assets of Community Value – to consider report and recommendation of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group
 - 4.4 (8.1) Statutory guidance on Local Government investments – to consider recommendation from the Finance and Policy Working Group
 - 4.5 (10) Commemoration of 100 year Remembrance – to consider suggestion of a joint event
5. Finance, procedure and risk assessment
 - 5.1 To receive the financial report and approve the payment of bills
 - 5.2 Clerk report on any actions taken using delegated powers or because of risk or health and safety
 - 5.3 To consider any matter that is urgent because of risk or health and safety
6. To receive reports and items from committees, working groups and members for information only unless stated
 - 6.1 New Gravel workings at Marsh Lane – Proposal that the Council writes to Tarmac, CCC and HDC with any concerns ^(RW)
 - 6.2 Transport Task Group report ^(AM)
 - 6.3 Marsh Lane – overhanging hedge ^(AM)
 - 6.4 Footpath Gore Tree Road from The Glebe to Burlington Way ^(AM)
 - 6.5 Report on CAPALC EGM on 22 March ^(RW)
7. To consider correspondence/communications received
 - 7.1 HDC – Community Infrastructure Levy and request for initial proposals for infrastructure projects
 - 7.2 St Ives & District Area Road Safety Committee Meeting minutes
8. Closure of meeting

CLERK REPORT TO HEMINGFORD GREY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 9 APRIL 2018

Where I have info to support an agenda item this is below.

Michael Charlton of Tarmac has been invited to attend the meeting with regard to the new gravel workings at Marsh Lane.

1. Apologies – any received will be reported to the meeting. The resignations of Cllrs Hall and Duncan have been received.
3. To approve the minutes of the last meeting on 12 March 2018 – attached.
4. Matters Arising
 - 4.1 (5.1) Appointment of Newsletter Editor and consideration of content
Deferred at the last meeting.
 - 4.2 (5.0.6) Electronic speed signs – to consider installation and delivery arrangements
 - 4.3 (7.3) Assets of Community Value – to consider report and recommendation of the Neighbourhood Plan working Group
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Deferred at the last meeting.
 - 4.5 (10) Commemoration of 100 year Remembrance – to consider suggestion of a joint event
Proposed at the last meeting.
5. Finance, procedure and risk assessment
 - 5.1 To receive the financial report and approve the payment of bills – attached. Any late invoices for payment will be brought to the meeting.
 - 5.2 Clerk report on any actions taken using delegated powers or because of health and safety
None at the time of writing.
 - 5.3 To consider any matter that is urgent because of risk or health and safety - Is the Council aware of any?
6. To receive reports and items from committees, working groups and members
Planning Committee – minutes of the meetings should be available on the Parish Council’s website.
- 6.1 New Gravel workings at Marsh Lane
Cllr Waters to report. He has written:
“A few months ago we were made aware of the existing permission for gravel extraction in the field between Lake Brook and Longmarsh Brook (see attached maps). I contacted Tarmac and we were told (in October 2017) that there were no immediate plans to open the site. However I asked for a meeting with the their new estate manager, Michael Charlton. He came to the village yesterday (20th March), at short notice, with two colleagues to update us on their plans. I met them with Edward Byam-Cook who lives in the village and who has considerable experience in dealing with gravel extraction and the management of restored workings.

We covered the following:

1. Tarmac intend to work gravel from the area shown on the attached maps under the planning permission received in 1995 that is still extant. **(There will therefore be no new planning application)**
2. Preliminary work may start very soon **(including trimming the outside of the hedge along Marsh Lane!)** and extraction may start in early summer 2018.
3. It is likely that the working will be open for about a year and the area will then be restored as a landscaped lake.
4. Gravel may be ‘dry screened’ on site but there will be no further washing or processing on site.

5. The gravel is intended for use on the nearby A14 works. **(Contrary to Highways England statement that all necessary gravel would come from the areas designated along the line of the new road!)**
6. Tarmac will follow the conditions imposed by the original planning approval with all lorries turning right into Marsh Lane and then right into London Rd toward the A14. **(The exit to Marsh Lane will be designed to enforce this)**
7. Tarmac will seek approval from the EA and CCC for their proposed ‘bridging’ of Lake Brook from the workings to the existing track leading out to Marsh Lane. Use of this track (haul road) will affect vehicular access used by the London Anglers Association and the path around the existing lake used by anglers and local residents with LAA permits.
8. Tarmac will propose alternative arrangements for anglers and walkers. **(It should be possible to maintain a path right around the lake separate from the haul road)**
9. Tarmac are aware of PC and residents’ concerns about traffic (particularly the Marsh Lane/London Road junction) and the vital drainage through the existing lake and along Lake Brook and Longmarsh Brook.
10. Tarmac are prepared to speak to PC and/or a village meeting about their proposals if invited, and seek to cooperate with the PC and concerned residents.

This should be an agenda item for our next meeting on 9th April and we may wish to back up our previous email to Tarmac and make CCC Highways Dept aware of our concerns. We might also wish to invite Tarmac to our next meeting?”

The Chairman agreed to invite Mr Charlton of Tarmac to the meeting and an invitation has been sent to him.

6.2 Transport Task Group report

Cllr Meredith writes:

“As I will not be at the next Parish Council meeting I thought I would give a brief report for the meeting.

17 surveys to medical services were sent out following the survey's approval at the last meeting. Friday 13th April has been set as the return deadline.

The Task Group is now waiting for St Ives Town Council to follow up on the joint letter that the Town and 8 Parish Councils are sending to CCC and to initiate discussion with the county over the S106 monies from the Morrisons application.”

6.3 Marsh Lane – overhanging hedge

Item proposed by Cllr Meredith.

6.4 Footpath Gore Tree Road from The Glebe to Burlington Way ^(AM)

Cllr Meredith has written:

“An inferior pavement has been brought to my attention by a resident requesting that it is widened and improved.

The pavement is in Gore Tree Rd, Hemingford Grey and it is the section between the junction with Glebe Rd and Burlington Rd. The pavement is very narrow and uneven. It would be difficult to use with a buggy or wheelchair. The road there is quite busy as there is the junction with Manor Rd. used by traffic accessing Hemingford Abbots.”

This was reported to the County Council and the Local Highways Officer responded:

“I have inspected the area and currently it does not meet our intervention levels however I can look to put the matter forward for a scheme. “

Cllr Meredith has added:

“A local resident has complained to us again about the standard of the pavement. So I would like the council to discuss the standard of the pavement and the response from CCC and see if the council wishes to take this matter forward and how.”

6.5 Report on CAPALC EGM on 22 March ^(RW)

Cllr Waters has written:

“I attended this EGM on behalf of HGPC last night.

The meeting was called because the AGM in December was inquorate for a decision on the subscriptions to be paid by member councils.

This time there were at least 15 councils represented and voting. The motion to increase subscriptions by 3% was passed unanimously.

However most of the meeting was devoted to an update on CAPALC plans and progress.

FY18/19’s budget will still be in deficit and the rent free county council offices in St Ives are no longer available. The office is therefore moving to Pidley Lakeside Lodge which is deemed to be central within the county; has free parking; and where CAPALC can make use of facilities for meetings and conferences at reasonable prices. (Note that the Lakeside Lodge business is currently up for sale)

There were also two motions passed to encourage co-operation with other county ALCs (Associations of Local Councils) and to work more closely with SLCC (Society of Local Council Clerks).

It became apparent that CPALC is taking the ‘competition’ from LCPAS (our other training provider) and others very seriously.

The new CAPALC web site with associated Facebook pages and Twitter feeds will be coming soon and looks like an enormous improvement.”

7. Correspondence

7.1 HDC – Community Infrastructure Levy and request for initial proposals for infrastructure projects

“Town and parish councils have previously received communication from Huntingdonshire District Council Officers about Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) but you now have an opportunity to submit proposals for the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure in your areas.

Proposals that are accepted will be funded through the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).

To help you with the process of submitting proposals, Councillor Paul Boothman has been appointed to act as representative of town and parish councils. Paul is an elected Parish Councillor for Houghton and Wyton and has considerable experience and knowledge of the planning system. His role is to ensure that town and parish councils are in a position effectively to utilise the ‘meaningful proportion’ of CIL funds that they receive under legislative requirements (15% to 25% of CIL receipts).

Paul will sit on the Huntingdonshire District Council Growth and Infrastructure Group to maintain town and parish councils’ involvement in overall infrastructure project development but also, importantly, to inform discussions between the District Council and town and parish councils.

If you would like to discuss a potential project or how you might use CIL then Paul can be contacted as follows:

- By email: p.boothmanhwpc@gmail.com
- By telephone: 01480 466588

CIL was introduced in Huntingdonshire on 1st May 2012. It is a mandatory charge on specific types of new development within the district. In the last financial year 2016/17 £3.618 million of CIL charge has been received. It is estimated that the CIL may generate up to some £80 million of developer contributions in the period to 2036.

It is important that CIL funding is invested wisely to ensure the timely delivery of community infrastructure projects that support growth. Proposals are being sought for infrastructure projects to support the delivery of infrastructure outlined in the new Infrastructure Delivery Plan. It is important that infrastructure projects submitted that may utilise CIL funding are properly developed through effective partnership working to enable timely delivery.

A new governance body has been created to review project proposals and recommend a prioritised list of projects. The Huntingdonshire District Council Growth and Infrastructure Group comprises representatives of:

- Huntingdonshire District Council
- Cambridgeshire County Council
- NHS England
- Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group
- Highways England
- The Environment Agency
- Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority
- Huntingdonshire Town and Parish Councils.

Guidance on CIL can be found here <http://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/media/2551/cil-guidance-for-town-and-parish-councils.pdf>.

Projects should be submitted on the attached proforma. You will need to provide as much detail as possible on the project, including where available business plans to support the application.

Applications with all supporting information should be submitted to Claire Burton (Claire.Burton@huntingdonshire.gov.uk) by the end of April 2018.”

Project proforma showing the information required attached.

8. Closure of meeting

ST IVES AND DISTRICT AREA ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

Chairman: Mrs Margaret Lumb

Vice Chairman: Mr Colin Saunderson

Please reply to: Secretary
71 High Street
Earith
Huntingdon
Cambs PE28 3PP

email: owen.mclaughlin@btinternet.com
Or text Owen on 07738 467857

Minutes

Of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 13th of March 2018 at 7.30 pm – at St. Ives Town Hall

Present:

Margaret Lumb	(ML)	:	Chairman
Colin Saunderson	(CS)	:	Fenstanton PC
Jeff Nicholls	(JN)	:	Earith PC
Brian Burpitt	(BB)	:	HCV Group
Peter Smith	(PS)	:	Co-opted member
Owen McLaughlin	(OM)	:	Secretary
Eda McPhaerson	(EM)	:	Hollywell-cum-Needlingworth PC
Leslie Craig	LC)	:	Houghton&Wyton PC
Jean Chandler	(JC)	:	Co-opted member

1. Welcomes & Apologies

Apologies had been received from Noel Baker, Dave McCandless, Andy Bush & Andy Street.

2. Minutes - To approve Minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2018

JC said that her apologies were not recorded in the minutes. OM to correct the omission.

The motion to approve the minutes was put to the meeting.

Proposed: JN Secoded. CS All were in favour.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes

Vegetation: The Highways Officer will look at the overhanging hedges impeding the passage of cyclists in Needlingworth. If necessary he will write to the hedge owners themselves.

Street Lights: ML had sent an email to Highways and received a reply from Alan Hitch stating that all street lights owned by the County Council are individually controlled by either a photocell or via the council's wireless central management system. Both systems are triggered by specified light levels. These levels are the same for all areas of the county.

However, this does not explain why so many lights were switching off while it was still dark.

PS: This is only really a problem during the darkest months and we should keep it under review.

Cromwell Place Crossing: PS has sent a letter to the TC and there is a meeting tomorrow. They are concerned about it. It is possible they will go for it next year with an LHI bid.

Guided Bus Traffic Lights:

CS: John Souter thinks the guided bus is not causing congestion problems which is hard to believe.

PS: They don't seem to have co-ordinated the lights to allow pedestrians and buses to move at the same time which is possible and would reduce delays.

ML: We could ask the question. (OM to contact).

JC: The pedestrian phase is too long. It only needs half the time.

4. Correspondence

Cambridge & Peterborough Road Safety Partnership (CPRSP):

Email below received from Matt Staton in response to enquiries by the RSC concerning the CPRSP road casualty reduction targets.

Hi Owen,

Thanks for your email. As you point out, there has been a concerning increase in the number of serious collisions reported in the stats and we have been investigating this for a little while. We're in the process of undertaking a tracking exercise with the hospital to try and explore the true extent of the effect of the new collision reporting system (CRASH) rather than relying on the national estimate from the DfT as the effect seems to vary widely from police force to police force.

What we do know is that regardless of the effect of CRASH compared to previous figures, we now have a more accurate indication of the severity of collisions than we did under the previous recording system.

I'd be quite happy to meet with you to understand the remit of the committee and talk about some of the work we are doing and where you could possibly assist?

Kind regards,
Matt

Matt Staton

Road Safety Education Team Leader
Cambridgeshire County Council – Highways Service

ML: Would be willing to meet Mr Staton to discuss co-operation. (OM to arrange).

5. National RTA Statistics

The DfT have published the latest RTA statistics for the period October 2016 to September 2017. The numbers show a 4% fall in fatalities nationwide but a 6% increase in serious injuries.

Reported road casualties by severity: Great Britain year ending third quarter 2017

	2005-2009 average	2010-2014 average A	Oct-15 to Sep-16 B	Oct-16 to Sep-17 (P) C	Percentage change over 2010-2014 average (C-A)/A %	Percentage change over previous 12 months (C-B)/B %
ALL CASUALTIES						
Killed	2,816	1,799	1,800	1,720	-4	-4
KSI ²	30,041	24,456	25,420	27,010	10	6
Slightly injured	216,010	172,838	157,327	147,490	-15	-6
All casualties	246,050	197,294	182,747	174,510	-12	-5

P - Provisional estimates

2 - Killed or seriously injured

6. Cambridgeshire RTA increase

Cambridgeshire County Council have announced a change of approach in their plans to reduce road accident casualties. The new approach is to be discussed at a meeting of the Highways and Community Infrastructure Committee on March 13th. The statistics for Cambridgeshire show a significant increase in the number of people killed and seriously injured on the county's roads in the past 2 years which is against the national trend.

KSI casualties in Cambridgeshire

Month	2015		2016		2017*	
	Fatal	Serious	Fatal	Serious	Fatal	Serious
January	4	13	2	17	6	28
February	2	14	3	17	4	28
March	4	12	5	12	3	28
April	1	23	4	18	1	21
May	2	30	0	20	4	32
June	1	21	3	34	3	43
July	3	18	1	25	3	27
August	1	17	4	34	3	16
September	4	21	3	43	-	-
October	5	29	1	28	-	-
November	1	29	3	30	-	-
December	2	29	4	37	-	-

	Fatal	Serious
Sept 2015- Aug 2016	34	285
Sept 2016- Aug 2017	38	361
% change	12%	27%

OM: Does the committee think we should add our views to this debate?

CS: Fenstanton Lorry Park is an example of a dangerous situation which is not being addressed. Many of the drivers seem to be drinking.

BB: Speeding and dangerous driving are increasing partly because there is no checking by the police.

LC: Lots of development is taking place but no work is being done on the roads.

DM: (by email) Firstly, they need to take Community Road Safety out of the political arena. Another major aspect/policy they need to change is to recognise the proven long-term traffic calming effects of SIDs over VASs in the community and from now on they should replace all VASs with SIDs.

They also need to recognise that the total number of deaths /serious accidents in 30 zones exceeds the total number in all other limits put together, as stated in an ITV 2-Part Documentary Speeding Wars that all on the committee should watch as a pre-requisite to drawing any conclusion about where the greatest threat to the community lies and where resources should be apportioned and concentrated to address an increasing deadly problem.

7. . Speeding Reports

OM: There are no new speeding statistics available at the moment.

BB: Do we have access to the speed camera figures?

ML: I will check on this.

8. Watching Items

Item 4. Wheatsheaf junction:

ML : Tuesday last week there was almost a very serious accident here. A motorcyclist was waiting to cross and suddenly did so without looking properly. He was missed by car by a matter of inches. We should write to PCs in the area to see if there is some collective will to do something about it. I think we should include Woodhurst, Bluntisham, Colne, Earith, St. Ives TC and perhaps also Envar Ltd. Perhaps just traffic lights at rush hour would be sufficient.

PS: If you put in traffic lights you need a camera. People will race the lights.

Action: OM to write but wait for a response from Andy Street.

Item 5. Earith Junction:

JN: Nothing new to report just the LHI traffic calming initiative at the East end of the village.

Item 14. Corn Exchange and Station Road

The parking situation is much worse since Wetherspoons opened.

Item 31: Hill Rise, Houghton Road:

Still the same problems here.

JC: We asked for a camera at the lights. How much are they?

BB: They are taking out speed cameras because of the cost.

Action: OM: Write to St. Ives TC.

Item 49: Morrisons Store:

ML: Is Giffords Farm going ahead?

Eda: There are plans for 1800 houses and a supermarket. They will probably get permission on appeal.

Item 51: Meadow Lane Junction:

CS: This junction is one of those on an action list for which was recently announced in the media.

Item 52: Sawtry Way Speed Limit:

LC: This is being handled by the two Wyton PCs although Wyton-on-the-Hill PC seems to have fallen apart.

There was also a new planning application by Mick George for 60 chalets. The PC turned it down.

Item 60: Sawtry Way Issue

NB sent the following letter to CCC regarding a dangerous obstruction on the B1090.
19th February 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

B.1090 Sawtry Way, Wyton.

I wish to complain regarding the lack of action over the dangerous obstruction located on the B.1090 Sawtry Way, Wyton just North-West of the roundabout for RAF Wyton (Map Ref: 279739). This is at the up dated junction with the road leading to the old RAF Photographic Laboratory.

Although there are lamp-posts in situ these have never been lit. In the centre of Sawtry Way at the junction are two islands with lamp bollards, again not lit. Soon after this junction was completed the 'Keep Left' bollard for traffic travelling towards RAF Wyton and St., Ives was damaged and was removed. These islands are in a completely unlit area and have been so for several years now. It is also obvious that they have not been cleaned recently.

I consider that this is a real hazard for motorists using this road as they come upon an obstruction in the centre of the road and have no pre-warning. It is obvious over the years that several vehicles have collided with portable arrow signs and bollards. I think we are lucky that it appears no one has been seriously injured due to this obstruction.

I was a member of the previous Wyton on the Hill Parish Council and before I left I know that our 'Traffic Councillor' had been in contact with your Department over this matter. This was at least three years ago, and yet again another dark winter is here and nothing has been done to improve the situation. I understand that one of your excuses was that it was 'privately owned'. How can that be, two islands in the middle of a main arterial road. If it is correct you must have some re-course to action you can take.

Even during daylight hours it is very scruffy and does not show Cambridgeshire in a good light especially as it is on the approach to one of the most important RAF bases in the Country.

In the interests of Road Safety I ask that some action to remedy the situation be taken as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Noel Baker

Reply from Roy Ashley

Re: B1090,Sawtry Way, Wyton, Cambs.

With reference to your letter of the 19th February 2018 concerning splitter islands,bollards and street lighting on the above road I would reply as follows.

These works were constructed under a Section 278 Agreement between this authority and the developers which is supported by a bond. I tried to contact the developers on numerous occasions and eventually

learned they had gone out of business. We are attempting to call in monies from the bond but the bondsman is querying every item.

It was decided therefore that we would fund the street lighting remedials from the maintenance budget and reimburse this when the bond money is forthcoming and I am awaiting a quotation from Balfour Beatty before the work is ordered which will hopefully be very soon. In the interim the temporary signage on the islands will be cleaned and maintained.

OM: Nothing has been done as yet. Noel wants to keep this on the watching list.

OM: To let Noel know about the Mick George connection with this.

9. Reports from members

JN: The cycle path is continuing to Earith in conjunction with the Bluntisham safety work. 3-way traffic lights will be in action from tomorrow at the church..

Eda: Parking round the shop still causing problems. There is now a 20 mph limit down Church street.

CS, Fenstanton: Highways England came to Fenstanton to talk about the A14. It is going well in the West but not in the East. Potholes are being created by construction traffic. There is also a problem at Brampton with cones. The new access to the crematorium is due to open in August.

ML, Chair: Cyclepath: The last landowner has now signed but they don't know when they can restart the work..

PS: Westwood Road has a problem with cracks. The cyclepath from Hill Rise to the Seven Wives has been completed. It is also properly marked. Bin men have been leaving it clear which is encouraging.

LC, Houghton & Wyton: Between St. Ives & Hartford we have asked for a 40mph speed limit but were told it must be 50 mph because there are no houses. (BB: Road from Haddenham to Wilburton got a 40 mph because of a single house).

10. Items for Further Consideration

Police & Crime Commissioner Newsletter;

OM: Circulate it with the minutes.

11. Next 3 RSC Meeting Dates

Tuesday	May 8 th
Tuesday	July 10 th
Tuesday	September 11 th

Huntingdonshire Infrastructure Business Plan: Project Pro Forma

General Nature of project	1.	<p>Organisation:</p> <p>Lead contact's name, email and tel:</p>
	2.	Project name:
	3.	Project Type:
	4.	Brief description
	5.	Project Location / Coverage (Spatial Planning Area /Key Service Centre/Local Service Centre/Other):
Project Requirement	6.	How delivery of the project links to the Local Plan for Huntingdonshire and /or provides infrastructure to support development within Huntingdonshire. Is it critical, essential or desirable?
	7.	How delivery of the project addresses the additional demands placed on infrastructure as a result of new development. Outline the number of units delivered / people / businesses affected by the project
	8.	Confirmation on whether the delivery of the project includes maintenance of existing infrastructure or addresses deficiencies in existing infrastructure provision, and if so, what:

Linkages	9.	Links to other Projects:
	10.	Links to organisational strategies/priorities:
	11.	Links to HDC Corporate Plan strategic priorities, objectives, key actions and performance indicators:
Milestones and Timing	12.	Status or stage the project has reached:
	13.	Proposed Delivery Milestones (including Years):
Costs and Funding	14.	Capital Cost identified (broken into components where possible):
	15.	Identified Funding Source: (Committed and/or Potential):
	16.	CIL Funding Request?
Project Risk	17.	Project Risks and Implications