

Little Wilbraham & Six Mile Bottom Parish Council

MINUTES of the Annual Parish Council Meeting 2016/2A held in John's Church, Little Wilbraham at 10.00pm on Wednesday 11 May 2016

Present: Cllrs C Tebbit (Acting Chairman), J Bramwell, D Humphrey, P Lambton, G Clifford, CCllr J Williams, DCllr R Turner, G Mutton, R Tilbrook, D Lee, S Lee, C Daunton, 1 resident from SMB, D Bramwell (Parish Clerk)

16/1: The minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on the 6 May 2015 were approved and signed by C Tebbit (Acting Chairman)

16/2: Apologies for absence: P Addecott, A Stead

16/3: Open Forum: None

16/4: District Councillor's report: DCllr R Turner confirmed that the SCDC's Local Plan proposed modification document was submitted with Cambridge City Council's Local Plan to the Planning Inspector at the end of March 2016. Hearings were due to start on 7 June 2016 relating to Housing Need, 5 Year Housing Land Supply and Green Belt Review. It was approved at the District Council's March Planning Committee meeting that Parish Councils could request an application to be considered by Planning Committee which must be supported by material planning reasons. Final decision on whether applications would be considered by Planning Committee to be taken by Chairman of the Planning Committee in consultation with the Designated Officer (Head of Development Management or Head of New Communities). It was approved that time given for District Councillors to request an application be considered by Planning Committee be extended from 21 to 28 days and allowed all decisions to be delegated with few exceptions. This revised scheme to be assessed after a year with a formal review process involving Parish Councils to take place within 24 months of the date of this resolution.

The Boundary Commission had agreed to a reduction from 57 members to 45 with a public consultation on the composition of the Wards from 10 May until 4 July 2016 with final decision published on the 6 September 2016.

16/5: County Councillor's report: CCllr J Williams explained that the new street lighting should have been replaced 1 for 1. However, the County Council had changed this by removing 1 in every 10 street lights, leaving villages with less street lights than before; which was the case in Little Wilbraham's High Street. Connecting Cambridgeshire had met their 95% target of providing faster broadband in the county because they had targeted the easiest villages. It was noted that Little Wilbraham residents were still waiting for faster broadband into the village. BT had begun a survey and were still planning to provide faster broadband by the end of 2016. County Council Highways maintenance would only carry out two cuts per year to the grass verges outside the villages. It was agreed that both the last two items would be monitored by the Parish Council. Funding for a cycle route from Lode to Stow cum Quy was available. The Wilbrahams' could be next with a cycle route to the Newmarket Road and Bottisham. A new secondary school was planned in Cherry Hinton off Airport Way and would be either an Academy or Free School.

16/6: Great Wilbraham Primary School: Report received from Richard Brown, Headteacher explained their new mission statement was 'Together we can be confident, caring and creative learners' and the School Parliament was now split into 3 ministries: Confident, Caring and Creative; each with their own role to contribute to the school community.

16/7: Johnson Bede & Lane Charitable Trust: Report received from Gill Clifford explained that they had 7 trustees and now had a link to the Wilbrahams' website. Grants and donations of £3,650 were able to be distributed within the Little Wilbraham & Six Mile Bottom Parish during 2015-16.

16/8: Warbler Magazine: Report received from the Editors explained that the Warbler magazine had come in the top 15% in a national competition for village magazines with over 600 entries from around the country. The total annual cost in 2015-16 for printing the magazine was just over £2,000 with annual advertising income just under £1,700 leaving both Great Wilbraham and Little Wilbraham & SMB Parishes to pay the remainder. There are 11 volunteers (3 Editors and 8 Deliverers) who give up their time freely to make sure that every house in the two Parishes receive the Warbler magazine four times each year.

16/9: Wilbrahams' Memorial Hall: Report received from Charles Raikes explained that building a new Memorial Hall had begun and ended in 2015-16. It was delivered on time and to budget. It had been a wonderful community effort by the villages of Great Wilbraham and Little Wilbraham & Six Mile Bottom and included donations from individuals to the re-building project of more than £67,000 and continuing contributions from villagers through National Loan Funds of borrowings by both villages.

16/10: Weenie Warblers: Letter received had requested a small donation for their group but it was noted that this small group was no longer running.

16/11: Close of Meeting 10.30 pm

Signed _____ (Chair)

Date _____ **LITTLE WILBRAHAM & SIX MILE BOTTOM PARISH COUNCIL**