

MINUTES OF GREAT WILBRAHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING NUMBER 24

Held at Wilbraham's Memorial Hall on 9th July 2024.

Present: Councillor Hilary Burton; Councillor Andy Martin; Councillor Chris Page; Councillor Rob White; Councillor Jens Kolind; Councillor James Harmer; Councillor Dave Crowther.

Members: 7 Quorum 3

Clerk: Mrs S Chambers-Turner

Meeting opened at 7.30pm

372. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

373. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

None.

374. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A member of the public was present to raise:

- The installation of the double yellow lines outside the Carpenters Arms.

375. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was proposed by Councillor Harmer, seconded by Councillor Crowther and resolved that minutes of 14th May 2024 be signed as a true record.

It was proposed by Councillor Page, seconded by Councillor Harmer and resolved that minutes of 28th May 2024 be signed as a true record.

376. CAMBRIDGE COUNTY COUNCIL CARE TOGETHER

A presentation was given to the Parish Council from the Cambridge County Council Care Together representative, details of the project can be found on the Cambridge County Council website.

377. DISTRICT AND COUNTY REPORTS

Councillors Williams, Hofman, Daunton & Cone provided reports that were circulated to the Council in advance of the meeting and are available from the Parish Council's website. In addition:

- Councillor Cone reported that there had been a number of fires in waste depots and bin lorries as a result of disposable vapes. South Cambs District Council (SCDC) are taking active steps to remind residents that these should not be placed in any of the bins and should be returned to stores that have safe bin disposal. Councillor Cone is also in communication with the waste team to see if there is any other method for disposal.
- Councillor Daunton reported that work is being undertaken on the feasibility of a cycle path from the Wilbrahams.
- Councillor Daunton also reported that a decision is still awaited on the 20mph consultation for Great Wilbraham.

- Councillor Williams reported that an independent report has just been published on the 4 day working week at SCDC.
- Councillor Williams also reported that the new Secretary of State is currently looking into the best value notices that were placed onto SCDC by the previous Secretary of State. Information will be shared in due course.

378. MATTERS ARISING/CHAIRMAN, COUNCILLORS AND CLERK REPORTS

None.

379. FINANCES INCLUDING APPROVAL OF OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS

- a. **It was proposed by Councillor Harmer, seconded by Councillor Burton and resolved that bank reconciliation for May and June 2024 be approved.**

b. Receipts

The following payments had been received:

Warbler Receipts:	£1250
Burial Income:	£100
Precept	£25000

- c. **It was proposed by Councillor Burton, seconded by Councillor Kolind and resolved that the outstanding accounts for July be approved. Action: Clerk to set up payments for authorisation.**

380. RIDGE CLEAN ENERGY

A draft agreement has been received from Ridge Clean Energy and has been reviewed by Little Wilbraham & Six Mile Bottom Parish Council and Bottisham Parish Council. It has now been reviewed by a legal professional on behalf of all three Parish Councils. However, a concern has been raised by a member of the working group dealing with the negotiations and suggestions have been made that an additional clause should be added to the contract. Councillor Burton will feedback to the other Parish Councils and suggest that the additional clause is added.

381. CEMETERY

This item was a duplicate item and was discussed under 383.

382. PLANNING MATTERS

24/0677/TTCA 1 Angle End, Great Wilbraham. Group of plum suckers, reduce height down to approximately 4-4.5m and shape round.

24/0619/TTCA 37 Church Street, Great Wilbraham. Hazel, reduce height by 5m, and spread to shape round. Cypress, reduce height by approx. 4-5m, down to the top of the hedge from where it has grown, leaving it in line with the cypress hedge approx 2.5m high.

383. CEMETERY

- A meeting of the Cemetery and Orchard Working Group has been arranged for 15th July 2024.
- Terms of Reference for the Cemetery and Orchard Working Group had been circulated in advance of the meeting. **It was proposed by Councillor Crowther, seconded by Councillor Page and resolved that the Terms of Reference for the should be adopted and circulated to the membership of the group. Action: Clerk to circulate Terms of Reference with membership.**

384. GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT

- The Clerk reported that there had been some problems with the current grass contractor including missed cuts and not cutting around the recreational ground as requested. Another contractor has been sought for the recreational ground cutting and the Parish Council would like to thank the volunteers who stepped in to cut the playground and out field areas in the meantime. The current contractor will be closely monitored to ensure that all cuts are carried out as per the agreement. **Action:** *Councillors to report to the Clerk should areas not be cut according to the schedule.*
- Councillor White has been working with members of Wilbrahams Environment Group to review the current contract and make specifications of the renewal of the contract for the next season. Tenders will be sought later in the year.

385. HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND CYCLING

- A meeting has been arranged for 24th July 2024.
- **It was proposed by Councillor White, seconded by Councillor Martin and resolved that the Terms of Reference for the Highways, Transport and Cycling Committee be adopted.** **Action:** *Councillor Page to circulate Terms of Reference with membership of the committee.*

386. ENVIRONMENTAL

- Councillor White and the Tree Warden had a site meeting to review the trees around Elm House (Temple End) and it was suggested by the Tree Warden that the large beech requires trimming and the 4 small trees should be removed as they will fail to thrive. The homeowner has agreed that they would be happy to contribute towards the costs involved. **Action:** Quotations to be sought for the tree works.
- It was agreed that the all the trees that the Parish Council are responsible for should have another tree audit to ensure that the Parish Council can effectively budget for upcoming tree maintenance.

387. COMMUNITY MATTERS

Correspondence had been received about funding for Electric Vehicle charging points. As the Parish Council do not own any facilities that could potentially benefit for a charge installation it was agreed that information should be circulated to the Memorial Hall Committee.

388. WEBSITE

It was discussed that current website is experiencing numerous problems and is no longer fit for purpose and enquiries should be made to update the provision. As the website is not purely a Great Wilbraham Parish Council responsibility, Little Wilbraham & Six Mile Bottom would be required to be involved with the process.

It was therefore proposed by Councillor Burton, seconded by Councillor Page and resolved that new working group should be created with Little Wilbraham & Six Mile Bottom Parish Council to discuss steps for improving the website facility.

389. AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Items for inclusion on next month's agenda to be sent to the clerk 7 days before the meeting.

390. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7.30pm 10th September 2024 at Wilbraham's Memorial Hall.

Meeting closed 9.55pm