

**MINUTES OF IMPINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 18 OCTOBER 2004**  
**7.30P.M. AT ST ANDREW'S CHURCH HALL, BURGOYNES ROAD, IMPINGTON**

PRESENT: Chairman Cllr D W Payne, Vice Chairman J P Teague, Cllrs H S Abdullah, P D Gooden (also County), M R Lawton (in part), P J Nudds, D A Starling, S A Unwin (in part)

Dist Cllr M J Mason

Mrs A Young Clerk

2 members of public (Histon Parish Cllrs)

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**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

115 Cllrs Waters (illness) Silk (holiday); Withers (holiday); Dist Cllrs Muncey (personal); Chatfield (holiday). Cllrs Unwin and Lawton would be late due to Council business

**2 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

116 Personal Interests: Item 16a (iii) Cllr Nudds (resident of Clay Close Lane); Item 5 (107.8) Cllr Payne (County Council employee); Item 14 expenses claim Cllr Abdullah

**3 OPEN SESSION FOR THE PUBLIC**

117 No questions

**4 TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20 SEPTEMBER 2004**

118 Approved and signed, also "In Committee" p. 24

**5 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

119.1 Item 94.1. 105.1, 108.5 Church Boundary Wall. A £5,000 grant from CCC had been awarded

119.2 Item 101.4 "Cooke Close" suggestion. Letter of acknowledgement from SCDC

119.3 Item 103.3 Inspector Ormerod. To attend November meeting, list of known questions to be supplied

119.4 Item 105.3 Boundary Committee Periodic Electoral Review. 2 residents had written also objecting

119.5 Item 107.7 SCDC Budget. Reports from Cllr Payne supplied for all

119.6 Item 107.8 ODPM Consultations. Council would not be responding

119.7 Item 108.3 Buses at IVC. PCSO Page indicated plans were in hand to accommodate buses on the college site

119.8 Item 110 SCDC Sports Development/Impact up-date. Cllr Mason reported on a small individual grant application to SCDC for trampolining at IVC. The debate on long term and match funding for SCDC sports development grant remained a concern. Histon Parish Cllr Davies was now a parent-Governor at IVC.

**6 TO PUT THE MOTION:** "That Impington Parish Council request Cambridgeshire County Council to install traffic calming measures in Station Road, consisting of Raised Junctions and Speed Cushions as shown on the draft scheme, amended by:

i) The raised carriageway at the Station Road/Dwyer Joyce Close junction to be replaced by a flat topped hump immediately to the south of the junction, and

ii) Excluding the proposed advisory on-carriageway cycle lanes, but

iii) Including the removal of the two on-street parking bays close to Nos 21/23 High Street and the provision of a flat topped road hump at the existing pelican crossing site in High Street

and iv) on an experimental basis, close to all vehicles except cyclists, the entrance from the High Street into Station Road and, at the War Memorial, deny access to vehicles other than buses, cycles and emergency vehicles wishing to travel south along Station Road

The latter experimental scheme (iv) to be linked to an adjusted phase of the traffic lights at the Green. Both phases of this scheme to be implemented sympathetically with due consideration for our village environment by the use of suitable design, materials and planting schemes" Proposed Cllr H S Abdullah

120.1 The Chairman clarified this was a specific motion relating to proposed traffic calming in Station Road (north and south). Any other A14 Rat Run issues to be raised at Item 16. Motion seconded Cllr Gooden. Cllr Nudds spoke to the motion and proposed an amendment to insert the words "after a minimum of one month" after the words "and iv)", seconded Cllr Starling who spoke in support of the amendment.

120.2 Cllr Nudds outlined her suggestion to David Brace that raised junctions and speed cushions be installed first, to see their impact, with the experimental part of the scheme to be phased in later, if found to be necessary.

120.3 Standing orders were suspended, all in favour, to allow Histon Parish Cllrs Parish and Jones to take part in debate. Cllr Parish stated he had now attended 9 meetings on the subject of traffic calming, totalling some 40 hours of debate. All correspondence received had been made available at meetings. The majority of Cllrs attending each of the last 2 informal meetings, from both Parish Councils, had agreed with the original motion now tabled. He felt

David Brace had answered the queries on possibilities of phasing, advising this would not be possible.

120.4 Histon PCllr Jones, a resident of Station Road, spoke in support of original proposal, believing it to be of benefit to

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residents of Station Road and the rest of the community and produce a better road system and environment.

120.5 Cllr Nudds re-iterated her belief in the amendment and as an attendee at all the recent meetings, her wish to inform her own Council, Impington Parish Council, of the position and options.

120.6 Taking the amendment, 6 Cllrs were present including Chairman. 2 in favour, 4 against.

120.7 Returning to original motion, all in favour to accept and therefore carried.

## **7 RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE and MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

121.1 Minutes 8 September copied for all. Cllr Gooden reported on meeting held 13 October. Development Group had now secured grants from WREN (£31,500) and Eventure (£25,000). Fundraising continued through the Friends of the Rec with a function on 27 November already sold out.

121.2 A joint bid to SCDC was to be made for assistance towards the Parish Office element of the proposed development.

## **8 BURIAL GROUND COMMITTEE REPORT**

122.1 Cllrs Unwin and Lawton arrived during this item. Minutes 21 September copied and accepted.

122.2 Review of Fees All agreed to accept Committee recommendation for increase in fees, with effect 1 November 2004.

122.3 Electricity supply for shed Various options remained for provision of generator and wiring of shed. Prop Cllr Teague, sec Cllr Abdullah, all in favour that Committee be empowered to make order as appropriate bearing in mind Health & Safety issues. Maximum costs obtained were £630.

**Burial Ground Committee**

## **9 TO CONSIDER PLANNING REPORTS**

a) Committee Reports

123.1 Committee Report 29 September copied for all and accepted.

b) Arbury Camp

123.2 Sec 106 not yet signed. Planning application for internal infrastructure to be referred to Planning Committee 26 October. Chairman and Cllr Gooden answered questions from Histon Parish Cllr Parish on HRCC, with decision on its siting still undecided.

c) Local Development Framework

123.3 All encouraged to attend exhibition and meeting at Histon Junior School on Wednesday 21 October. Recreation Ground Committee and Youth Committee were advised to read document in terms of its assessment of the shortfall of pitches and youth facilities in Histon and Impington. Response on consultation due by 12 November. Joint response was planned and Cllr Payne agreed to work on this, requesting input from all as soon as possible. Objection to classification as a Rural Centre would be a major aspect of Councils' submission

**DWP**

d) Other Matters

123.4 IVC S/02008/04/CC Retention of 7 x 5 bay, 1 x 9 bay and 1 x 10 bay mobile buildings. All agreed no comment

## **10 PLAYGROUND INSPECTORS REPORT**

124 Cllr Abdullah had inspected both areas. Doctors Close – broken branch to be removed. South Road – repair work had been carried out. All OK

**T Smith**

## **11 CLERK'S REPORT**

125 Crime figures September: Theft (4); shooting (1); burglary (5); criminal damage (1). Histon Sector Newsletter copied for all

## **12 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

126.1 Cllr Mason reported on the on-going Council Tax consultation, now reported to Cabinet.

126.2 Grant applications from IVC and Choir 2000 had been referred to local members for approval.

126.3 Arbury Camp 3 local members had been consulted on Section 106 and had expressed concern regarding guided bus contribution, resulting in an amendment to wording to ringfenced contributions should the guided bus scheme go ahead, to be spent on capital improvements with the NCATP area

126.4 Appeal Kay Hitch Way site due 3 November. Residents were due to attend

126.5 Appeal Moor Drove Due to recommence 13 December.

126.6 S/1188/04/F Mill Road/Highfield Road Cllr Unwin declared a prejudicial interest and left meeting. Cllr Mason confirmed the application had again been defeated at South Cambs Planning Committee at his request, pending

receipt of further reports on drainage issues from Anglia Water. He outlined possible implications downstream, particularly at Kay Hitch Way. Cllr Unwin returned to the meeting.

### 13 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

- 127.1 Cllr Gooden reported on recent requests by County Council for use of land in Histon and Impington for a temporary travellers encampment.
- 127.2 Guided Bus Cllr Gooden reported on a general concern on where money was coming from to fund the project, and investigations carried out to clarify. He reported it now had become apparent the plans showed a facility for buses to leave and join the junction at the Station, except for no left turn from the east into Cambridge Road

### 14 FINANCE

- 128.1 Paid in: Burial Ground Interment fee £42; SCDC 2<sup>nd</sup> half precept £35,000; ccc Grass Cutting grant £1,628.88
- 128.2 Confirm payment of accounts, proposed Cllr Teague, seconded Cllr Gooden, all in favour:  
Administration and salaries M6 **£1,350.91** £1,350.91
- 128.3 Approve payment of outstanding accounts, proposed Cllr Teague, seconded Cllr Gooden, all in favour:
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| Site & Maintenance Services Bench seat in Bus Shelter                    | <b>£198</b> + VAT £34.65 =                                   | £232.65    |
| Site & Maintenance Services South Road play equipment repair             | <b>£70</b> + VAT £12.25                                      | £82.25     |
| Herald Contract Services Grass cut (triple cut) 6.9.04                   | <b>£240</b> + VAT £42 =                                      | £282.00    |
| H&I Recreation Ground 2 <sup>nd</sup> half payment                       | <b>£12,736.04</b> + Litter pick wages 2 of 2 <b>£1,204</b> = | £13,940.04 |
| Histon Parish Council Quarterly expenses                                 | <b>£848.77</b>   | £848.77    |
| Cottenham Village College May Day BBQ for Youth (from LNF grant funding) | <b>£8.80</b>   | £8.80      |
| H S Abdullah Skate Club expenses (from LNF grant)                        | <b>£51.06</b> + VAT £8.94 =                                  | £60.00     |
| Cllr Abdullah declared an interest                                       |  |            |
| Kitchensmiths Installation of kitchen at Church Halls (from NVNC grant)  | <b>£340.42</b> + VAT £59.58 =                                | £400.00    |
| P Clark Building Services NVNC Youth payment Kitchen Church Halls        | <b>£908.70</b> + VAT £159.02 =                               | £1067.72   |
| Print Out Stationery and encapsulating                                   | <b>£15.20</b> + VAT £2.66 =                                  | £17.86     |
| Zurich Insurance Co Extended insurance Sk8 Club                          | <b>£272.13</b>   | £272.13    |
- 128.4 Half Yearly Report available for all. Cllrs were asked to contact Clerk direct with any queries.

### 15 RECENT CORRESPONDENCE

- 129.1 Circulating file available: Histon Parish Council minutes and various magazines/leaflets
- 129.2 Police matters: Local Consultation Group Histon Sector – details of meeting 26 October; Planned restructuring of Southern Division – details showing Kings Meadow would become part of division
- 129.3 Defra ‘Clean Neighbourhoods’ consultation. No response
- 129.4 CALC AGM details 6.11.04 and Accounts to March 2004; New Councillor training 13.11.04; Refresher training 4.12.04; NALC Employment Up-date; Disability Discrimination Act 1995 leaflet; news on Quality Status
- 129.5 CCC – First draft policy framework for play Consultation, Cllr Lawton to read and report back as necessary **MRL**
- 129.6 Stop Stansted Expansion briefing paper
- 129.7 Local Authority Parking Enforcement (LAPE) details of scheme
- 129.8 Folk Museum. Trustees had declined to return Eliza Woodcock memorial stone to the Church, opting to retain at the Museum
- 129.9 Church Carols Service on the Green 15 December. Details with invitation to have stall.

### 16 OTHER MATTERS

- 130.1 (a) Highways & Traffic
- i) Rapid Transit Scheme. The Chairman thanked Histon PCllr Mason on behalf of the Council for sterling work put in to the Public Inquiry. Cllr Mason outlined the progress at the Appeal, now re-convened at New Hall, Cambridge including cross-examination of Graham Hughes, CCC, Kate Day, CCC and Ove Arup. Concerns that CCC were now allowing for the current situation with traffic were raised. Residents who were noise experts had been identified and were challenging CCC at Appeal, with the guided bus to run until 2am, potentially double decker.
- 130.2 (ii) A14 Rat Run Scheme David Brace had verbally advised Cllr Nudds and Histon Cllrs Barrett and Parish that the 20mph advisory school limit at Histon Junior School had been approved by Area Joint Committee. Cllr Teague raised the issue of weight limits in Milton Road due to the total unsuitability of the roads for heavy vehicles with verges becoming steadily eroded. Proposed Cllr Teague, seconded Cllr Lawton, all in favour, to request under the A14 Rat Run Scheme “a weight limit be imposed on Butt Lane/Milton Road/Burgoynes Road and Impington Lane”.
- 130.3 (iii) Other Highways Matters Bus Service Tenders April 2005 Agreed to recommend no change to 110 to Ely, now under review.
- 130.4 New Road double yellow lines PCSO Page had spoken with residents regarding double yellow lines laid by County

Council. Following discussion, agreed to advise PCSO Page that the Parish Council had previously organised meetings between residents and County Council but no solution had been found to the residents' problems. Agreed the turning head was not suitable for parking, to allow access to emergency vehicles in particular.

- 130.5 A14/M11 Traffic concerns Histon resident had contacted Parish Cllrs with concerns
- 130.6 Clay Close Lane Residents of Clay Close Lane had raised issues with the County Council and Parish Council regarding vibration and rat running. Residents appeared to favour mandatory road sign at each end prohibiting entry of all vehicles except for access, perhaps under the A14 Rat Run scheme. Advisory Access Only signs were in place. Following discussion and an understanding that the road would need to be unadopted to obtain such a traffic regulation order, agreed to include the issue in the walkabout with David Gilkes on 21 October, particularly as there were reports of land collapsing due to inappropriate use. Agreed the Rat Run scheme was not correct route.
- PEN/DAS**
- 131 (b) Ways of Working Together Cllrs Nudds and Teague reported that a further meeting was due 9 November when a report by Histon Cllr Ruel was to be considered.
- 132.1 (c) Youth Advisory Body and Youth Matters. Minutes 4 October 2004 copied for all
- 132.2 Cllr Abdullah reported. Connections Bus had supplied copy of their drugs policy; Youth Committee were supporting a community fund application by the Bus Project; a "thank you" event for volunteers on NVNC Halls work being organised; time limits attached to NVNC grant and recent £7,000 LNF grant received for internet access at the Church Halls; Youth Committee were supporting a Youth event at Recreation ground in May 2005 (ice rink)
- 132.3 Finance All agreed a No 2 account with Impington Parish Council would be a sensible way of managing youth committee spending in future, to be funded by both Parish Councils and any incoming grants.
- 132.4 Community Projects Youth Group at Baptist Church had approached the Committee with an offer of help. Bulb planting and ivy clearing were put forward as possibilities.
- 132.5 SK8 Club were looking for an alternative site. Recreation ground committee 29 September had held discussion on fee paying and where the mini-skate area stood, whether should be financed by Development Group or by the Parish Councils themselves.
- 133 (d) Remembrance Sunday Proposed Cllr Teague, seconded Cllr Nudds all in favour, agreed to purchase wreath from Chairman's expenses and Chairman to lay at ceremony at War Memorial, service to follow at Impington Church.
- DWP**

## **17 DATE & PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

- 134 Next meeting to be held Monday 15 November 2004 at St Andrew's Church, Burgoynes Rd, Impington, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

## **17 IN COMMITTEE – EMPLOYMENT MATTERS**

- 135 Deferred as no new reports received

Meeting formally closed 10.08 p.m.