

Minutes of the Babraham Parish Council Meeting

Held at Babraham Primary School, Babraham

On Thursday 12th January 2017 at 7.30pm

	Present	Cllrs Stuart Laurie, Robert Attwood, Gareth Walker, .Jane Goody SCDC Cllr Tony Orgee, CC Cllr Peter Topping 3 members of the public														
104	Apologies	Anne Angell, Cllr Charlotte Rogers, Chris Chapman														
105	Members Declaration of Interests	None declared														
106	Minutes of Meeting held 10th Nov 2016	Approved unanimously by those present at meeting														
107	Matters arising from previous minutes	Scotsdale's have offered us £200 for replanting gardens. Gill Atwood offered plant list. Repair work on notice board deferred until better weather Welcome pack continuing to progress with map														
108	Public participation	Further complaint and queries re Dockerill yard. Write to Abington council as this in their area. Issue with the A1307 central reservation grass cutting. Contact highways to confirm schedule Suggestion made to move the 30mph sign nearer to the A1307 to slow down traffic earlier. Cars parked near that end of village have been hit due to the speed at which cars enter village. Consider speed humps, approx. price £5,000. Get full pricing. Babraham Facebook group has been set up by new resident Sandra Bandy. Brian Milnes from Sawston PC discussed the new developments at Sawston that are within the Babraham boundary. Discussion re Babraham joining the Sawston neighbourhood plan to allow further influence. Suggestion of installation of crossing at roundabout to give better access to the new cycle path														
109	Report from Tony Orgee	Attached, see appendix A														
110	Report from Peter Topping	Attached, see appendix B														
111	Report from Chris Chapman	Absent and not received														
112	Financial Report at 31st Dec 2016	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Barclays Premium Business account</td> <td style="width: 20%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">£75,883.62</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Current Account</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">£515.69</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Petty cash</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">£10.73</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">TOTAL</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£76,410.04</td> </tr> </table>			Barclays Premium Business account		£75,883.62	Current Account		£515.69	Petty cash		£10.73		TOTAL	£76,410.04
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114	To consider other matters	<p>New bus stop – confirmed the PC will purchase Newsletter – very well received, to be produced quarterly Welcome pack – consider adding local tradesman, location of doctor/dentist, where to purchase oil Precept - agreed unanimously to maintain at current rate £10,255 Dockerills – as discussed in public participation Keeping village tidy – leaves etc, consider hire or purchase of a sweeper Pocket park – tree report provided, pricing required to perform actions as necessary</p>														
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116	Correspondence Received	Rick Stocks- Babraham Institute - support for A1307 crossing improvement														
117	Matters for further discussion & inclusion in next Agenda	<p>Village hall – contact architect. Consider possible flood plain issues Review planning permission for new property on Blacksmiths close</p>														
118	Date of next meeting	Thursday 9th February at 7:30														

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Appendix A – Report from SCDC Councillor Tony Orgee

I have spoken before about how the District Council is sharing services with other local authorities. One such service is the waste and recycling service where the District and city Councils are working together. As a result of sharing this service, and a computer analysis of collection routes, the routes are likely to be changed to produce a more efficient set of routes resulting in a reduction of vehicle mileage of about 10,000 miles per year. Collection days are also likely to change and a revised programme of collection dates will be announced in the next few weeks.

The City Deal team carried out an initial consultation on the A1307 last year and it is expected that the City Deal Joint assembly and Executive Board meetings in March (1 March and 8 March respectively) will consider a report setting out more specific proposals.

As a way of gathering local views, a Local Liaison Panel for the A1307 is being set up and its first public meeting will be held on 20 February (venue to be confirmed). This meeting will focus on any proposals and recommendations set out in the agenda papers for the 1 March and 8 March meetings. [The agenda papers are expected to be made public on about 16 February.]

An initial meeting to set up a Local Liaison Panel was organised by County Council staff on 5 January, and after discussion it was agreed that I would chair the panel.

Appendix B – Report from Councillor Peter Topping

County wide I attended the Health Committee where we were looking at the Sustainability & Transformation Plan being put together by the health commissioning group. Savings of between 10-12% need to be achieved over the next 5 years, and the committee's role is to scrutinize this work on behalf of residents who access health services. The Chief Exec of Addenbrookes attended and we asked him about how the hospital is improving since being put in special measures 18 months ago.

The Full County Council meeting in December agreed to reverse the decision to reduce gritting routes. This was universally welcomed. The original gritting cuts were part of a package of measures to save money, and avoid putting up the county precept. But clearly the gritting work is a key frontline service. Babraham High Street has now been re-instated as a primary route and the gritting lorry drivers are now back up to full strength.

The county council has to spend a lot of money on adult social care. In the next budget in February, there will be difficult choices between putting up the precept to pay for adult social care, or cutting back on other services to keep the increase as low as possible. There is a survey of Adult Carers being carried out by the county to better understand what support those people need in their role.

Devolution update I am leading the work to accelerate building affordable houses across the county, especially in South Cambs. These are on sites that already have been assigned, so this isn't about building on new land. We are also trying to find ways of encouraging self-build houses.

City Deal The City Deal has been urged to consider introducing a congestion charge on people driving into Cambridge at peak times. I oppose this because I see it as an unfair tax on residents of South Cambridgeshire

whose work takes them into the City. The public transport systems need to be improved first before this could be considered. I am though in favour of an emissions charge on high-polluting vehicles in the historic centre of the City, and places like Addenbrookes which has surprisingly high pollution levels. I will be watching carefully the proposals to introduce a residents parking permit scheme on many of the City streets.

Closer to home

The Babraham Institute cyclepath secured by the county council through the grounds of the institute with their co-operation and agreement will be formally opened at the end of the month by a celebratory ride followed by tea.

There is still time to nominate people for South Cambs Community Awards – closing date 20 Jan

<https://www.samb.gov.uk/community-awards>

The Whittlesford Neighbourhood Plan group is holding a drop-in event on WEDS 18 JAN at the Red Lion at Whittlesford Station for businesses and residents. The district council is running an event on how to write a NP after all the views and evidence have been gathered in.

The last rather sad looking caravan has gone from the collection of nine that were on Thriplow heath before Christmas – the district planning enforcement team visited several times – this is the land on which there is an injunction to make it easier to move trespassers on.