

Babraham Parish Council:

Minutes of Meeting held 11th November 2021

Present:

Cllr Stuart Laurie
 Cllr Charlotte Rogers
 Cllr Robert Attwood
 Cllr Jane Goody
 Cllr Glyn Huskisson
 Clerk Anne Charteris
 Cllr Brian Milnes

	<p>Part I: Non-Confidential Information</p>
2111/01	<p>To receive and approve apologies for absence. Apologies from Chris Chapman and Cllr McDonald</p>
2111/02	<p>To receive members' declaration of interest for items on this agenda. CR- quote had been tendered for fencing for Forest Garden</p>
2111/03	<p>To sign and approve minutes of meeting dated 14th Oct 2021 Minutes approved by all and signed as a true account.</p>
2111/04	<p>Exclusion of the public To determine which items, if any, from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded. Not applicable</p>
2111/05	<p>Public participation time – 15 minutes allowed No public present</p>
2111/06	<p>Report from South Cambridgeshire District Councillor P McDonald Cllr Brian Milnes represented Cllr MacDonald. Report had been circulated before the meeting</p>
2111/07	<p>Report from Cambridgeshire County Councillors Brian Milnes and Maria King The Local Plan consultation period is now underway and runs until Dec, The Local Plan homepage is here: https://www.greatercambridgeplanning.org/localplan This gives a clearer definition of proposals and removal of some green belt land. RA asked about the state of the footpaths in the High St, BM advised reporting on the website https://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/</p>
2111/08	<p>Report from Babraham Research Campus (BRC) representative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The estate team is working to resolve the issues raised on clearance of vegetation from the boundary wall and have programmed in a complete clearance of overhanging plant growth (and clearance of a one metre strip inside the wall) along the entire length through the village. This work will start at the beginning of the new year. We will of course attend to anything reported to us or that comes to our attention that may an issue of Health and Safety and a threat to the integrity of the wall and/or surrounding structures.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are working with Hannah Thomas to ensure that fencing of the Forest Garden area and planting can proceed asap. • The estate and gardening team continue to be short staffed at this time and are having to carefully programme their works. We will of course continue to help the village when asked and hope you will understand if we are unable to respond immediately to non-emergency requests. • As a note, with November 5th now behind us, I need to alert the village that the campus no longer has any staff qualified to run firework events. This is something we will all need to think about for 2022 if normal service resumes. I appreciate this is a school run event but I thought it should be raised sooner rather than later. • In early December we hope to release a document setting out our vision for the campus to support our Local Plan application. This will set out a vision for sustainable growth within the campus and how that can align with the emerging Babraham village neighbourhood plan. As soon as it is ready for release to the joint planning authority I will ensure the Parish Council receive this and would like to present it at the earliest possible date to BPC.
2111/09	<p>Clerk's Report Nothing to report</p>
2111/10	<p>Forest Garden Project. To hear and comment on updates from Hannah Thomas The trees have been ordered and plans drawn up. Quotes for fencing have been asked for, 2 received and awaiting one more. The fencing is going to cost a lot more than expected- approx £6,000. Hannah is asking for an advance from the money that has been put aside for the Forest Garden as an advance so that the fencing can be put up as soon as possible, hopefully before trees are planted. RA proposed that £2000 be given now, seconded by JG, all in favour.</p>
2111/11	<p>Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) Cambridge South East Transport (CSET) To review updates, discussions and actions by GCP with regard to CSET and to resolve on any actions. Several consultations are going on, these are expected to be co-ordinated to try to defeat the proposals or amend them. Proposals include upgrading the A1307, improving slip roads, traffic lights, enlarging the Gogs roundabout. Parish Council asked GH to keep them updated and let them if there was anything they needed to do to help.</p>
2111/12	<p>Roads & Traffic To discuss and review traffic and transport issues and resolve on any actions. No update yet regarding the Local Highways Initiative ie when work would begin.</p>
2111/13	<p>Precept To discuss budget and setting of Precept for 2022/23. It was decided to hold a brief meeting in December to discuss this in depth to agree the Precept.</p>
2111/14	<p>Review Policies The following policies were reviewed and all agreed on them. <i>Freedom of Information</i> <i>Data Protection</i> <i>Community Engagement</i> <i>Code of Conduct</i></p>

2111/15	<p>Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>Cllrs to consider report from Cllr Attwood and to resolve on any actions.</p> <p>A meeting was held last Tuesday, the group now consists of seven members. In the next few weeks, leaflets and posters will be printed and the website set up, so that residents are kept informed as to what is happening. A survey will be sent round to all residents with approx. 10 questions about the village, these will consist of both tick box questions and others asking for comments. Consultations will be held and finally there will be a referendum, this should hopefully be by the end of February.</p> <p>To try to get the residents involved as much as possible, it was suggested that the Parish Council give a prize to a completed survey- Clerk to find out if this is allowed for Parish Councils to do this.</p> <p>It was asked if the PC would fund a Survey Monkey, it was pointed out that the money given to the Neighbourhood Plan should be used for this.</p> <p>GDPR- would the Parish Councils GDPR policy cover the NP group or would they need to set this up independently. Clerk to find out.</p> <p>Regular updates would be posted on the new website, there will be a link from the PCs website.</p>
2111/16	<p>Ox-Cam Arc Spatial Framework Consultation</p> <p>This was deferred until the next meeting so that more information could be found.</p>
2111/17	<p>General Village Matters and new items for discussion</p> <p>To discuss any other village matters.</p> <p>The book swap is now installed, it was suggested that a sign be put on it, CR to look into stencils.</p> <p>The new Noticeboard has also been installed and is a great improvement on the old one. It was agreed that the scarf and flag should be removed from Jonas Webb's statue as they were looking very tatty now.</p> <p>The bonfire in the Pocket Park would be lit soon.</p> <p>A resident asked about installing an electric charging point in the village, this was decided against at present as thought there was not a need for this yet.</p> <p>The trees along Honeysuckle Lane need trimming, the Farm will be asked if they, or a member of the PC, can trim them.</p> <p>History board- still looking for a suitable print firm to do this. It was thought that the text needed amending slightly as it needs to be more reader friendly and not too wordy. It was then discussed as to where to site it- maybe by the War Memorial or the brick wall- this will be looked into on site.</p> <p>Greater Cambridge Local Plan: consultation now open.</p> <p>Discuss BPCs response to the Local Plan</p> <p>Land south of Babraham Road Sawston - Proposed Section 106 contributions</p> <p>To discuss if BPC accept the S106 contributions proposed.</p> <p>For Babraham, a further £177k is proposed being secured towards delivering the community hub – in addition to the £92,000 from H1/B which has already been paid to the Parish Council. £142,174 for community hub and £35,000 for Public Art,</p> <p>Please advise whether the Parish Council has any objection to the above so that a consultation response can be sent to the applicant.</p> <p>Councillors agreed that this was acceptable, Clerk to let them know we accept.</p>
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	<p>CCC 6th annual Cambridgeshire Local Councils Conference 2021 Join us virtually Friday 14th January 2022, 9am-4pm.</p> <p>.....</p> <p>CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL Sawston Road, Babraham and Babraham Road, Sawston (TEMPORARY 40MPH AND 30MPH SPEED RESTRICTION) This Order has been approved and will come into operation on 4 November 2021</p> <p>.....</p> <p>The Science Museum is currently working on a large collecting project around the COVID-19 pandemic (https://www.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/project/collecting-covid-19/). After some of the media coverage of this project, a member of the public sent the Science Museum a copy of a Babraham Parish Council sign from April 2020 which talks about people not driving to different locations to walk their dogs. We are really keen to add this sign to our collection as it captures the early period of lockdown in Spring 2020, with its confusion and changing regulations. The sign would become an important part of our stored collection.</p> <p>This was agreed to, Clerk to contact the Science Museum and say that they can have a copy of the sign,</p> <p>2111/25 Items for inclusion in the next meeting Precept Ox Cam Arc</p> <p>2111/26 Dates of next meetings: Thursday 9th Dec at the school Thursday 13th Jan 2022 at 7:30pm</p> <p>Part II: Confidential Information Exclusion of the Press and the Public: To resolve that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and the Public be excluded from the meeting.</p> <p>Signature: <i>Anne Charteris</i> 16th November 2021 10 Duxford Road, Hinxton, Saffron Walden, Essex CB10 1RB 01799 531827</p>
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