



Bourn Parish Council

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MINUTES

27th July 2022

A meeting of Bourn Parish Council was held on 27th July 2022 at 19:30pm at The Village Hall, Short Street, Bourn, CB23 2SG

Present: Cllr D O'Brien (chairman), Cllr L Rolfe (vice chair), Cllr S Jagers, Cllr H Heginbotham, Cllr B Jaques, District Councillor T Hawkins, County Councillor M Howell, two representatives from Bourn Quarter development, and three members of the public.

The parish clerk, Emily Pacey, was on maternity leave, Cllr Rolfe acted as minutes secretary.

01/07/2022 Public Participation.

- Amanda Sutton and Chris Mills, on behalf of Aitcheson's and Bourn Quarter outlined the plans for phase two of the development, including distributing plans for councillors. Almost all of phase one has been let and the first units of phase two have already been reserved. A new planning application was due to be made in the near future. There were some comments made about the provision of parking for more than 1000 vehicles once completed.
- Phil Crow explained his intention for a conversion to residential property which has previously been refused by the planning authority and asked if the parish council could support the application when it was resubmitted. District Councillor Hawkins explained the process of the pre-application system. County Councillor Howell, as a reserve member of the district's planning committee, wished to make it clear that he had not commented during the discussion.

02/07/2022 Reports from District & County Councillors.

- The district councillor's monthly report had already been circulated to all councillors. Cllr Hawkins spoke again on the revised flight plans for Luton Airport which is subject to review. Following a public meeting at Little Gransden on 5th July there will be further updates in the coming months. Meanwhile residents were urged to report any problems.
- Cllr Howell asked whether the parish council were pleased with the installation of both the speed cushions on Alms Hill and the 20mph zone across the village. He pointed out that, despite comments locally about the installations, it will, ultimately, make the village safer.

03/07/2022 To receive and approve apologies for absence.

Cllr S Jones (Covid), Cllr N Stutchbury and Cllr G Smith (both out of parish) sent their apologies.

04/07/2022 To receive declaration of interest.

No members of the PC declared any interest on this agenda.

05/07/2022 To receive and approve minutes of the previous meeting held on 15th June 2022.

All were in favour, and it was **RESOLVED** (proposed DOB, 2nd SJA) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 15th June 2022.

There were no matters arising.

06/07/2022 To approve accounts for payment.

Payee	Description	Amount £
E Pacey	Payroll July	£926.96
HMRC	Payroll July	£25.43
o2	Clerk mobile – June	£10.49
Cambridgeshire C C	LHI scheme - 2020-2021	£1,577.74
SSE	Electricity Bill - Sports Pavilion July	£23.16
SSE	Electricity Bill - Sports Pavilion July	£100.75
Buchans	Grass Cutting - June - Invoice 2973	£954.40
E Pacey	Reimbursement of newsletter printing	£273.63
D2D Distribution	Delivery of July newsletter	£306.00
Opus Energy	Electricity Bill – July	£76.95
Pennon Water Services	Water Bill - Sports Pavilion	£251.92
o2	Clerk mobile – July	£10.49
	Total	£4,537.92

All were in favour, and it was **RESOLVED** (proposed BJ, 2nd HH) to approve the schedule of payments for July 2022.

07/07/2022 Financial Officer's Report.

The report and accounts, having been previously forwarded by the Finance Officer were unanimously accepted.

08/07/2022 Planning Applications and Tree Works update.

- **22/02088/FUL: Bourn Golf Club, Health and Fitness Club, Toft Road** – Change of use of land for the siting of up to 12 no. Holiday Lodges with associated ancillary development including parking, landscaping and drainage. Decision – no comment from Parish Council

- **22/02346/FUL: 17 Caxton End** – Erection of a fence and gate on the front border (retrospective). Resubmission of 22/00481/HFUL.
Decision – Parish Council supports this application
- **22/02737/OUT: Land between Hillcrest and Fairways, Toft Road** - Outline application with all matters reserved (except for access) for 1 no. self-build/custom build residential dwelling.
Decision – No comment from Parish Council except to consider the number of properties ultimately using one narrow access point to road.
- **22/02816/FUL: Land adjacent to 133 Caxton End** – Conversion of agricultural building to 1 no. 3-bed two-storey dwelling.
Decision – Parish Council supports this application and requests that, should the planning authority be minded to reject the application, it should be referred to committee.

09/07/2022 Sports Pavilion update.

The proposed draft of the current lease/agreement had been submitted to the Sports Club and accepted in principle. A joint meeting between the Council Working Party and the Sports Club committee is to be arranged to verify future arrangements. Meanwhile a survey to all residents about the current and future use of the pavilion is to be circulated.

10/07/2022 Wildflower Seeds update.

Cllr Heginbotham has been in discussion with the contractors who dug up the verge on Broadway. They are not prepared to reinstate the wild flower verge or recompense our original costs as they consider the area to be a service area. It was agreed to refer back to PlantLife and/or the Wildflower Trust whose advice was originally sought. We also will check with CCC Highways about their policy on reinstatement of verges following any work.

11/07/2022 Broadway Playing Field Rename.

It was agreed that we should give a name to the play area on Broadway. Suggestions included Platinum Playground amongst others. It was also agreed that we should be considering installing some play equipment on the area and that we should make contact with the residents most likely to use it as to what they might prefer. There are possible grants available which we should pursue.

12/07/2022 Local Highways Initiative 2023/2024

Following the completion of the recent Highways work and the resultant comments there was some discussion about what could be considered for the forthcoming year. It was agreed to forward this item to September, dependant on the deadline date for applications.

13/07/2022 Review of Heavy Goods Vehicles.

Cllr O'Brien is awaiting further information from County Council regarding the ban on Heavy Goods Vehicles in Hilton to find out how it was dealt with.

14/07/2022 Update on A428 Development Cluster Forums 6th July 2022.

Cllr O'Brien attended this meeting and reported that there was little of interest with SCDC officers simply informing attendees of what is happening.

15/07/2022 Overflight over Bourn update.

Information with regard to this problem had been given in District Councillor Hawkins monthly newsletter and had been considered earlier. Cllr Jones had attended the meeting at Little Gransden about the problem but was unable to report to this meeting.

16/07/2022 Request from Little Gransden Parish Council to Contribute to The Cost of Monitoring Aircraft Noise Levels

The Parish Council, having only received three comments about the aircraft noise, felt that this was insufficient at this time, to warrant a contribution.

17/07/2022 Correspondence & Communications.

A request from Speedwatch (Cambs) for their equipment to be returned as no sessions have been held for some time. This has prompted our Speedwatch group to organise some sessions very soon, especially now that the 20mph zone has been established.

18/07/2022 Items for next agenda.

No specific items apart from those carried forward from this month.

24/04/2022 Bourn PC achievements.

The installation of the speed cushions on Alms Hill and the creation of the 20mph zone.

Closure of meeting – 21:35

Proposed date for next Parish Council meeting – 21st September 2022.