

CALDECOTE PARISH COUNCIL

(South Cambridgeshire District)

MINUTES

A meeting of this Council was held in the Pavilion, Caldecote

On Thursday 6th July 2023.

Members of the public are reminded that copies of reports and supporting documentation for agenda items can be obtained from the Parish Council website, <http://caldecote.gov.uk> or upon request to the Parish Clerk.

Present: Cllr Polly Field (PF, Chairman), Cllr Helen Cartwright, Cllr Sharon Pedley (SP) and Cllr Barker (JB), Cllr. Nair (PN), Councillor Nicola Pritchard (NP)

In Attendance: Alan Melton (Parish Clerk and RFO).

1. Public open forum. No Comments

2. District Councillors Report. Cllr. Tumi Hawkins circulated her report and took questions from members.

3. Apologies for absence. Councillor Mary-Ann Claridge

4. Members' declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests. There were none.

6. Chairman's Announcements – None

7. Minutes of the last Meeting – The minutes of the Council meeting 6th July 2023 were approved as a correct record, It was noted that Councillor Nicola Pritchard had apologised for not attending the meeting and duly signed by Cllr Polly Field, (Chairman).

8. Actions and updates:

- **Community Hub:** The Chairman, reported that the Community Hub will resume on 24th September 2023 when the Café re-opens for the summer. Funding has been agreed for the Community Hub and will be extended to March 2025.
- **Traffic and Speed Reduction.** Cllr. John Barker asked for the 20mph speed limit be extended from Highfields to the Church end. The Clerk reported that no reply has been received from Cambridgeshire Highways.

- **EWR.** Cllrs Field, Cartwright and Pedley gave a report of their meeting with Anthony Browne MP. They had all agreed that a preferred option would be for a tunnel rather than a bridge at the top of the village.

9. Planning Applications:

- **23/02040/FUL:** Erection of 6 no dwellings and associated works following demolition of Existing Dwelling at, Westwind, Highfields Road, Highfields, Caldecote. **(Object, comments submitted)**
- **23/02258/ADV:** Installation of 2 no non-illuminated fascia signs at, Unit 9, Bourn Quarter, , Wellington Way, Caldecote. **(No Objection)**
- **23/02079/FUL:** Demolition of buildings and construction of 7 no. new dwellings at, Network House, St. Neots Road, Caldecote. **(Object, comments submitted)**

10. Financial Reports –

- **Summary of receipts and payments.** Was received.
- **Bank Reconciliation.** The bank reconciliation dated 7th July 2023 was received and approved.
- **Accounts for payment.** The schedule of payments was received. It was RESOLVED that the RFO be authorised to make payment of all the accounts.
- **Annual Governance and Accountability Report.** The RFO reported that the internal audit was successful, and the AGAR sent to the external auditor.

11. Pavilion/Portakabin/Fencing.

- The Clerk reported that he had placed an order for the remainder of the fencing and gate.
- The Clerk reported that he was still awaiting advice from SCDC regarding planning permission for the Portakabin.

12. Establishment of a Planning Working Party. It was agreed to establish a Planning Working Party with a remit to review and copy on planning applications. Recommendations would be submitted to the full council for ratification. It was agreed that Councillors Mary-Ann Claridge, John Barker, Nicola Pritchard would form the working party, Councillor Sharon Pedley would be substitute. It was agreed that the Clerk would forward all applications to working party members. Councillor Claridge would act as Lead Member and would co-ordinate the meetings and send the response to the Clerk, Councillor Claridge would send a copy of the draft recommendation to SCDC Planning if the date of the next full council is after the submission deadline.

13. Broadband quotations. The Clerk reported that he had received 2 quotations for the provision of broadband and communication provision. The quotations were received from Novohub and British Telecom. Members were under the impression that Novohub was free of charge. The Clerk would check this. If this was not the case, the Clerk would award the

contract to British Telecom as it gave better value for money and had a more reliable service and service offer.

14. Councillors questions. Councillor Claridge commented on the Luton Flight Path, Councillors Nair and Pedley commented on the anti-social behaviour in the village. Despite the Council asking for a more visible Police presence, the request had not been actioned.

15. Date and time of the next meeting – Thursday 7th September at 7.00pm in the pavilion

The Meeting Closed at 7.50pm

Signed.....Chairman

Date:.....