

CALDECOTE PARISH COUNCIL

(South Cambridgeshire District)

MINUTES

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

On Thursday 11th January 2024

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 John Barker, Cllr Mary-Ann Claridge.

In Attendance: Alan Melton (Parish Clerk and RFO)

- 1. Public open forum.** Mr Jason Western asked questions regarding crime and lack of Police presence in the village.
- 2. Reports from District and County Councillors.** The report from Councillor Hawkins (SCDC) had been circulated.
- 3. Apologies for absence.** Councillors, Pedley.
- 4. Members' declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests.** None.
- 6. Chairman's Announcements** – There were no announcements.
- 7. Minutes of the last Meeting** – The minutes of the Council meeting 7th December 2023 were approved as a correct record.
- 8. Actions and updates:**
 - **Community Hub:** The Vice- Chairman reported that the hub would re-open on Tuesday 16th January 2024.
 - **EWR.** No further updates.
 - **Speeding and Traffic Matters.** There were no updates.
 - **Police request.** Cambridgeshire Police were unable to attend a meeting of the Parish Council, however the PC was invited to take part in a "Teams" forum. The Clerk was asked to write the Cambridgeshire Police and request a face-to-face meeting.

9. Planning Applications:

- **23/04571/ADV:** Installation of 3 No. illuminated fascia signs to include large company logo signage at high level, small goods in and main entrance signage next to relevant entrances. At Bourn Quarter, Wellington Way, Caldecote. **NO OBJECTION**
- **23/04628/CLUED:** Certificate of lawfulness under S191 for an existing use for a structure that has been used as a dwellinghouse (Class C3) in excess of 10 years along with residential garden space surrounding the dwelling, which has been in use as associated residential curtilage in excess of 10 years and a shed within garden area. At 64A West Drive, Highfields, Caldecote. **NO OBJECTION**

10. Financial Reports:

- **Summary of receipts and payments.** Was received.
- **Bank Reconciliation.** The bank reconciliation dated 11th January 2024 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.

11. Budget: The RFO reported that he had received no comments regarding the draft budget. Members therefore endorsed the proposal by Councillor Claridge and seconded by Councillor Cartwright of a **1% increase of the precept to £109.30 and to advise South Cambridgeshire District Council of a precept of £98,282.56 for the municipal year 2024/2025.**

12. Pavilion/Portakabin/Fencing.

- The clerk reported that a 3-phase live cable which was found in the cabin had been removed.
- The cabin was due to be removed w/c 15/01/2024

13. Pavilion Heating and Engineering. The Clerk reported that the heating system would be serviced on 16th January 2024.

14. Notice Boards. The Clerk reported that the Notice Board was ready for delivery.

15. Councillors questions. Councillor Cartwright commented on the state of the footpath and verges at 121, Highfields Road.

Councillor Nair asked about parking near the BP Garage

Councillor Barker asked about the state of the road and verges near the Church in Main Street.

16. Date and time of the next meeting – Thursday 1st February 2024 at 7.00pm in the pavilion

The Meeting Closed at 7.45pm

Signed.....Chairman

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