

WATERBEACH PARISH COUNCIL
Council meeting 7 January 2020

Clerk's report

- The column light by the basketball court and outside the Parish Office have been converted to use LED lamps.
- SCDC have sent out a team to widen the gap between the barriers at the Chapel Close end of the Rec following a request from a motorised buggy user
- We have taken receipt of two benches and three litter bins and have used these to replace the most dilapidated ones on the Green/Rec. This is the start of a programme of replacement.
- SCDC are moving to a new planning system and searching for applications will change. All PCS have been invited to a demo for the new Public Access. I will try and go to one of them but should Cllrs wish to then you need to email Business.Support@scambbs.gov.uk to book one of these timeslots:
 - Monday 27 Jan - 10am – 12pm
 - Wednesday 29 Jan: 6pm – 8pm
 - Friday 31 January: 1pm – 3pm or 6pm – 8pm
- The planning application for the bowls pavilion has been submitted to SCDC.
- There is a Parish Council's Liaison meeting at the SCDC offices on 28 January; unfortunately this clashes with this PC's 2020-2021 budget and precept setting meeting (which we cannot delay as we need to meet required deadlines).
- The car park project was launched on Contracts Finder before Christmas and tenders are due or return in the middle of this month – report to come to Feb Council meeting.
- Representations made to County Highways about the poor state of Burgess Road by the railway gates which flooded badly in the run up to Christmas. A CCC representative visited the site and has arranged a works order for the potholes to be repaired. Burgess Road will also be added to CCS Grip cutting programme that is currently under way.
- I have chased County Highways for info on an expected date for relining works to be done.
- Ivan and I will attend the Local Highways Improvement Panel on 16 January to make the case for funding for the items in our submission.
- A progress update from Greater Cambridge Greenways team :
- "We were hoping to go to the GCP Exec board in December but the Election got in the way so we're going in February. This will be to request £8m in order to continue the project. This would be used for land negotiations, detailed design to agree exact alignments, planning (including lots of survey work) and construction of a 'phase 1' which would be a path betw Milton Country Park -Waterbeach rail Station with a fork in the path to connect to Car Dyke Road. The £8m would also enable further development to take place concurrently of 'phase 2' which is further development and detailed design of connections and other interventions in Waterbeach village and to Waterbeach new town and the new railway station, and also further development and detailed design of the A14 underpass. If we get a positive

outcome in February then perhaps I could come to a meeting and give a proper update and a plan of how I see things progressing?"

CONSULTATIONS:

- [Neighbourhood Plan draft](#) out for pre-submission consultation which runs between now and 22 February 2020.
- Local Plan consultation starting 13 January – 24 February. Nearest drop in session to be at Tesco Milton on 25 January between 2-4pm. The papers will be available on this webpage: www.greatercambridgeplanning.org
- Cambridgeshire County Council is running a public consultation on its draft *Climate Change and Environment Strategy*. The consultation is on the ConsultCambs website: <https://consultcambs.uk.engagementhq.com/climate-strategy> and closes on 31 Jan 2020.
- Cambs Fire service consulting on its draft Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) for 2020-2024 https://www.cambsfire.gov.uk/media/2581/cfrs-548583-v2-draft_irmp_2020-2024.pdf. which identifies the risks we face and how to mitigate against these. "Using this information, we set a number of priorities under each of the four key areas – People, Operational Excellence, Community Safety Excellence and Value for Money. " Seeking views from the public, particularly if you think there are key risks or opportunities missing, or anything else you think we should be dedicating time and resource to over the next four years. You can respond via email, or if easier, we have a short online feedback form you can use: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NNXC3L7>. Consultation closes 24 January 2020.

Forthcoming meetings (post this week's ones)

Wednesday 15 –	Finance Committee
Thursday 16 Jan –	Highways Chair and Clerk to attend LHI panel
Tuesday 21 Jan –	Planning Committee
Tuesday 21 Jan -	first Neighbourhood Plan drop-in event on pre-consultation document (Beach Social Club)
Thursday 23 Jan -	Nigel and Barbara attending Amey Community Liaison Group meeting
Tuesday 28 Jan –	Council meeting – budget and precept setting
Sat 1 Feb -	second Neighbourhood Plan consultation 10-midday (Beach Social Club)
Tuesday 4 February –	normal monthly Council meeting

Meetings of the Highways Committee, Employment Panel and Rec Users also need to be arranged.

Account holdings:

Cambridge Building Society -	£82,877.68
Cambridge and Counties Bank -	£81,400.49
Close Brothers -	£84,760.71
Unity Trust -	£34,865.90
CCLA -	<u>£886,780.97</u>
	£1,170,685.75