

**A meeting of the Stukeley's Parish Council held at Little Stukeley village hall on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2012 at 7.30.pm.**

ATTENDANCE	M/s H. Raby, Mrs. S. Parkin, Mrs. N Sly, M/s P. Ryan, R. Hulstrom, P. Vincent, M. Monk and five committee members from the Stukeley Meadows Football Club
OPEN MEETING	<p>The chairman welcomed the members of the SMYFC to the meeting and invited them to address the council on their hopes and ambitions for the club. The secretary Mrs. Haddock thanked the council for this opportunity and added that the club had been formed in 2007, initially playing games in the grounds of the local primary school, but this facility was soon outgrown and that a move was made to St. Judith's Lane Godmanchester, they were a 'charter' club and had the full backing of the Hunts FA. They now ran six teams including one for girls, the teams started with the 'mini' soccer team and went up to 'under 16's'. The club motto was Ability is not important, passion and enthusiasm is everything.</p> <p>She said what they really now desired most was a permanent home and that they passionately believed that a home in the Stukeleys was ideal, she added that she felt this would be very good for the club and that it would also be a very positive enterprise for the villages as they would intend to encourage membership from children living in the communities, they were looking for a long term relationship which they believed could be beneficial to them and also be a 'no lose' position for the council. They had already negotiated with Warners(owners of the pub and site next door) for the use of land and building to the rear of the pub, the building for storage and eventually for changing etc. The mini soccer and training sessions would be held in this area with the main games and nine/nine matches being played on the pitch to be marked out in the playing field. She intimated that initial training would be in the playing field until such time as the area behind the pub was made fit for use, training took place on two/three weekday evenings, mini soccer on Saturday mornings and other games on a Sunday with KO times 10.30/11.00am.</p> <p>She reported that the response from the 'pub' was very positive and that parking in their car park would not pose a problem, the owners had also promised to provide changing facilities on their site.</p> <p>It was agreed that local people would have access to the play equipment and the conservation area at the eastern end of the field at all times also if the field was required for a village function it would always be available subject to prior notification.</p> <p>It was agreed that the chairman should sign a document authorising the shooting of rabbits on council land providing appropriate notice was given and adequate warning signage erected when shooting was taking place.</p> <p>After a positive Q&amp;A session Mr. Hulstrom suggested that the council may offer a ten year lease agreement with adequate 'get out' clauses at a nominal figure, this would be replaced after an agreed period by an agreed monthly payment which should be sufficient to cover 50% of the councils costs in maintaining the area, this idea seemed to meet with approval from the club and it was agreed that the Council should decide 'figures' in committee and notify the club with a proposition via email on the following day. At this point the club committee thanked the council for their time and left the meeting.</p>
APOLOGIES	Were received from Mrs. S. Smith, away on annual holiday and Mr. P. Hobson who was on business in London and could not get back in time.

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62.MINUTES	On a proposal by Mr. Monk, seconded by Mrs. Sly, after a spelling mistake had been rectified, the minutes of the meeting of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2012 were approved by members and signed by the chairman.	
64. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST	Mr. Ryan declared a possible interest in both agenda item 68 & 69 due to his charitable work for a group that hired space from Urban & Civic at the Alconbury airbase site, and also due to his close proximity to a disputed footpath in Owl End.	
65. COUNTY ISSUES	<p>Sir. P. Brown said they had no significant issues to report, but asked for enquiries. Mrs Sly said that there were several issues with the new bus service timetable with stagecoach either unable or unwilling to answer enquiries. Cncllr Brown said it was still early stages and that they were allowing one month for the service to ‘bed in’ then issues would be discussed, he said Nene &amp; Ouse who were providing the Sawtry/Alconbury/Huntingdon service, 46A were being most helpful. Mr Monk said the 46B service unfortunately did not mention in it’s timetable, a stop in the Stukeley’s, it only referred RAF Alconbury main gate in Alconbury, rather where it actually is, in the Stukeleys, he considered this omission confusing as the bus actually did stop to pick up and drop passengers in both villages. He added that the 46B service of this route to St. Ives &amp; onward to Cambridge was definitely a bonus for village residents because it avoided the change of bus in Huntingdon that was part of the old service.</p> <p>Cncllr; Brown said all these issues could be considered when the whole service was reviewed.</p>	
66.DISTRICT ISSUES	Mr. Baker reported that the new enterprise campus at Alconbury Weald had it’s first new occupant in the Enterprise Zone, this being a company called Enval and although not a new build it was a change of use of existing buildings, because it was making use of existing buildings it qualified for many of the incentives associated with that area.	
67. ACCOUNTS	<p>(a)The following monthly accounts were agreed for settlement on a proposal by Mrs. Sly, seconded by Mr. Vincent and approved by the meeting EON Electric for July supply £60.29. Easiprint for July &amp; August Magazines £305.00. M. J. Newman, clerks July Salary £159.57. net. Plus agreed office space allowances £28.00. T&amp;S Gardening for Grass maintenance work £1369.97. Moore Stephens for annual audit £363.60.</p> <p>(b) Income The clerk reported no income for the period.</p>	
68. ALCONBURY	<p>(a) Members were advised that U&amp;C’s planning application was expected within the next two weeks. It was also stated that the District Council had set aside two specific dates, 19<sup>th</sup> September in Gt. Stukeley hall and 24<sup>th</sup> September in Lt. Stukeley village hall for consultation meetings to canvas opinion, the only concern was of how the District intended to promote these meetings, Mr. Ryan agreed to discuss the matter with Paul Mumford, the responsible officer at the District.</p> <p>It was also agreed after discussion, that the Parish should stage two open meetings, one in each village, so that the Parish Council can gauge public opinion prior to their production of a response to the District on this matter, these hopefully could take place in week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2012, this fact was to be highlighted in the Parish report in both the September and October issues of the village magazine.</p> <p>(b) Members had reviewed the planning application made by Enval Ltd. to</p>	

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	<p>Cambs County Council Planning Dept for Change of use of land and existing buildings from light industrial/storage to a Materials Recovery Demonstrator Centre in buildings 110&amp;118 at Alconbury Airfield.</p> <p>On a proposal by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Hulstrom and fully supported by members it was agreed to Approve the application on the following grounds. Very appropriate use of the site and as far as can be seen good safeguards for the local community and the environment. It was also agreed to send similar comments to the Environmental Health Dept at Huntingdonshire District Council who had received an Environmental Permit Consultation Request.</p>	
69.RIGHTS OF WAY	<p>Mr. Ryan said there was little to report. He suggested that there may be further delays in the proposed re-routing of footpath 11 at Grange Farm due to the archaeologists close interest in the ‘ridge and furrow’ terrain of the proposed diversion. He said there had been no progress at all with Alconbury about the re-introduction of footpath 2 between Lt. Stukeley and that village, he did however suggest, supported by all members, that the start of this path in Mill Road should be marked as a walk to it’s closure point and return over the same route was well worth the effort as the views over the valley were a site to be appreciated.</p>	
70.ALLOTMENTS	<p>Mr. Ryan reported that a proposed meeting with U&amp;C to discuss many issues had had to be cancelled but that it was hoped it could be staged towards the end of August, he said he was still quite concerned about the provision of a water supply as he considered the proposals for water collection were not feasible, but he was still against ‘mains water’ unless U&amp;C were prepared to fund the main upgrade needed.</p> <p>Mrs. Parkin told members that she had ordered a ‘wood fuel pack’ of trees for the community wood amounting to 105 trees together with a large Oak which would enable the area to be named as the ‘Diamond Jubilee Wood’, she said she intended to put a note in the magazine asking for volunteers for planting in November/December.</p> <p>Mr. Monk said he still had concerns about the ‘governance’ of the area of Grange Farm as a dedicated ‘Open Space’ and he felt that it was vital the Council should press U&amp;C for some type of agreement about future management of the whole site.</p>	
71. TRAFFIC ISSUES	<p>Nothing significant to report only that the next meeting was due in September. There was however growing concern as it was evident that lorries leaving the newly constructed base entrance north of Little Stukeley were turning south and travelling through the villages. M/s P. Ryan, Mrs. Parkin, Mr. M. Monk and B. Hulstrom agreed that they would conduct a survey(one person outside the new exit and the other in Brookfield Farm gateway) in an effort to establish what was actually happening, it was agreed that time of siting, number plate and ownership should be recorded also it was agreed that on the selected days the timing should be from 8-10am and 4-6pm.</p>	
72. CONSTITUTION	<p>All members had seen the text of the new Code of Conduct, which had been adopted by Huntingdonshire District Council, and was recommended to be adopted by all Parish Councils at their earliest opportunity. After a great deal of discussion on the many issues involved in personal declarations, on a proposition by Mr. Ryan seconded by Mr. Vincent the new Code was adopted by members with universal support.</p> <p>Mr. Hulstrom then referred to the Councils wish to sign up to the Data Protection Agency(Information Commissioners Office). He explained that there were two category’s and that this Council was classed as a Local Authority so was included in category two. He said he had examined the draft</p>	

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	<p>document and that he considered that this was adequate for the Councils needs, he had answered all the relevant questions including declaring that the CLERK (no named individual) was the Councils Data Controller. Mr. Hulstrom said that the annual fee would be £35, a cheque to be sent with registration forms. On a proposition by Mr. Hulstrom, seconded by Mrs Sly, approved by the meeting the clerk signed the document ready for posting.</p> <p>The members then discussed at length whether or not the council should become a member of the Parish Councils Association(CAPALC). After the discussion Mr. Monk proposed that it was pertinent to join as the association was the ‘voice’ of Parish Councils at government level, this motion was seconded by Mrs. Sly and in the following vote five were in favour with one against. With this in mind the clerk was asked to fill in the necessary documentation and forward together with a cheque for £314.63. to the association headquarters in St. Ives.</p>	
73. PLAYING FIELD	<p>The entire Council agreed that it would be an extremely positive move for the council to allow the SMYFC to have use of the playing field for football purposes, this would be very beneficial to village children, see the area used on a regular basis and hopefully promote extra revenue for a local business.</p> <p>After a great deal of discussion it was agreed that the following lease proposals be sent via email to the club for their consideration. Mr. Hulstrom proposed, supported by Mrs. Sly and endorsed by all present that the text be as follows.</p> <p>The Stukeleys Parish Council is prepared to offer SMYFC a ten year lease with ‘get out’ clauses at year three and five on the following terms. The lease would be free until January 2013 when a monthly payment of £10 per month would commence, in September 2013 the lease amount would be altered to reflect grass cutting costs for the area, this would be based on 50% of the total annual maintenance costs divided into monthly payments, this figure, based on this years charges would be £29.00 per month. It was also agreed that should additional ‘winter’ cuts be required this would be charged as agreed between the two parties. The ongoing costs for future seasons to be a reflection of the agreed proportion of 50% of any revision of charge to the Council by the engaged contractor for that season. Also it was stated that residents should have access at all times to both the play equipment and the conservation area at the eastern end of the area, furthermore if the field was required for a village function, this would take priority providing due notice was given.</p>	
75.ITEMS TO REPORT	<p>Mrs. Sly said that after the note in the magazine this month asking for ‘project’ ideas, several people had requested that serious thought be given to the provision of a pedestrian crossing on Ermine Street, Great Stukeley, it was agreed that one was probably needed but the bigger issue was where to actually site it, members were asked to give the matter some thought.</p> <p>There was also concern raised about the condition of the cycle path between Green End and the ‘Shell’ roundabout, with many cyclists using the road instead. Mr. Ryan said one of the main issues was priorities especially at the access to Ermine Street Business Park, he agreed to pursue the issue on the councils behalf.</p> <p>The clerk had ascertained from the District Planning Authority that there had been a request for a scoping report on land to the north east of the Ermine Street Business Park by an unnamed applicant, he agreed to pursue this matter also.</p> <p>Mr. Monk said that he was concerned about the number of Mick George lorries travelling through the villages with what he perceived as being ‘construction’ materials, Mrs. Parkin agreed to find out from the base authorities the nature of</p>	

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	<p>these movements and what the materials actually were, this considering that this council was assured that no materials allied to the new major construction works on the military base would be moved on Ermine Street through the villages.</p> <p>Mr. Monk also reported a dog that was apparently owned by the residents of the Rectory in Church Road was being allowed to run loose in the village with the resultant ‘fouling’ of neighbouring garden areas, Mr. Hulstrom, in his capacity as Dog Warden agreed to write to the owners asking them to keep their dog under more strict control.</p> <p>Due to the late running of the meeting it was agreed to leave the issue of web site provisions to the next agenda.</p>	
76. NEXT MEETINGS	<p>On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012 at the village hall, Ermine Street, Great Stukeley commencing at 7.30pm.</p> <p>On Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012 at the village hall, Low Road, Little Stukeley commencing at 7.30pm.</p> <p>On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2012 at the village hall, Ermine Street, Great Stukeley commencing at 7.30pm.</p> <p>On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2012 at the village hall, Low Road, Little Stukeley commencing at 7.30pm</p> <p>On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at the village hall, Ermine Street, Great Stukeley, commencing at 7.30pm.</p>	