

**MINUTES of a meeting of Little Downham Parish Council held in the Village Hall,  
Main Street, Little Downham, on Thursday, 20 August 2015 commencing at 7.00pm.**

**Councillors present:** MM Oldfield, in the chair, and JW Barker, CE Hall, RS Martin, MAC Seidler, JL Waters (7.08pm) and KO Winters. Clerk: Mrs J Wardle

**Other attendees:** None

**60/15** **TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Cllrs DA Adams-Payne, LEA Joel, BL Taylor and GH Taylor, County Cllr P Read and Dist. Cllrs A Bailey and M Bradley.

**61/15** **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - None

**62/15** **PUBLIC FORUM** – No comments

7.08pm Cllr JL Waters arrived and apologised for being late.

**61/15** **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

1. Cllr JL Waters declared personal interests in item 63/15.1.2 (Application 15/00836/FUL) because she is acquainted with the applicants and in item 63/15.1.4 (Application 15/00954/FUL) because she is a friend of the applicants (Declaration 024-2015).

**63/15** **PLANNING MATTERS**

1. Planning correspondence -

1.1 **15/00734/FUL** Mr Luke Fairhead, 70 Cannon Street, Lt Downham – Demolition of existing flat roof rear extension to dwelling. Construction of two storey pitched roof rear extension to dwelling - **Resolved that the Parish Council had no concerns.**

1.2 **15/00836/FUL** Mr & Mrs Yexley, 76 Cannon Street, Lt Downham – Two storey extension to side and infill conservatory - **Resolved that the Parish Council had concerns regarding this application and recommended conditions to be applied to any permission. Concerns: Off Road Parking and site access on the corner of Cannon Street and Martins Lane. Proposed Conditions:**

1. To provide sufficient off road parking by way of area and height under the proposed extension to accommodate the car and camper van that are currently parked adjacent and in front of the existing dwelling.

2. To provide sufficient visibility for other vehicle drivers coming out of Martins Lane onto Cannon Street.

3. To provide sufficient visibility for occupier vehicles exiting the site directly on the junction of Martins Lane and Cannon Street.

1.3 **15/00860/VAR** Mr A Mathias, 10 Fourth Drove, Lt Downham – Variation of condition 1 (garage/workshop) of previously approved 15/00104/FUL for alteration and extension to existing dwelling and erection of new garage/workshop, along with demolition of existing outbuildings – Conditions Number: 1, Condition Removal: Amended drawing to amend garage/workshop details. Amend drawing nos. 308/P/10A to 308/P/10C and also to amend 308/P/06D to 308/P/11C - **Resolved that the Parish Council had no concerns.**

1.4 **15/00954/FUL** Mr & Mrs A Cusick, 6 High Road Little Downham - Replacement dwelling - **Resolved that the Parish Council had no concerns.**

**For information only:**

1.5 ECDC: Applications approved: 15/00144/FUL, 15/00417/FUL, 15/00460/FUL, 15/00539/VAR, 15/00601/FUL

Addendum item:

1.6 **15/00957/CLP** Mr P Read & Mrs P Hobson, Tawny Cottage, Hundred Foot Bank, Pymoor – Construction of garage - **Resolved that the Parish Council had no observations to make.**

**64/15** **FINANCE**

1. **To consider CCC Street light energy Administration Charge Increase** – CCC wrote to inform that it plans to increase the cost for CCC to administer the electrical energy to the Parish Council streetlights to 15% of the energy costs with effect from 01/10/15. It was decided to defer this item to the next meeting for the Clerk to provide figures of actual costs.

2. **To approve bills and other items for payment** - The following items presented for payment were proposed by Cllr CE Hall and seconded by Cllr MM Oldfield.  
**Resolved unanimously to approve the BACS payments 344 - 352 and direct debits for the total sum of £18057.16**

It was noted that BACS payment 352 was for the Hags-SMP invoice to replace the seesaw and safety surfacing in Pymoor Play Area. The Clerk confirmed that installation had just been completed, but the safety fencing was yet to be removed before a final inspection could be carried out. The payment will not be made until the work has been approved.

**65/15 REQUEST OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

1. Grant funding for the Zipwire

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.19 pm.

Signed ..... (Chairman) Date .....