**MANEA PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**Monday SEPTEMBER 6th, 2021**

**In the Pavilion, Park Road, Manea**

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**Present:** Councillors: Mrs Eves (Chairman), Mrs Coupland (Vice Chairman), Bonos, Cundell, Cole, Pratt, Marks and Short.

**M080/21: Public Forum:** Mr Scott O’Neil thanked members of the Council, for their help for the Graduation of year 6 at the Manea Primary School.

Mr Malcolm Willmott (caretaker), requested that the rules for the use of the pavilion be revised to

Consider the proposed uses and new government guidelines. He expressed concern that some users were not leaving the Pavilion in a reasonable state after use. Mr Willmott also suggested that the signage in front of the emergency exits from the park were missing and that some motorists were parking in front of the gates, particularly when matches and functions were taking place in the park.

**Mr Martin Hindry** asked that when the Council are considering speeding proposals in Station Road, they would not forget Westfield Road, which had similar problems. The Chairman reassured that Westfield Road is also being considered.

**M081/21: Apologies**, Councillor Gowing (CCC).

**M082/21: Code of Conduct,** Members were reminded of the Code of Conduct.

**M083/21: Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests**. Councillor Marks declared an interest in all planning applications at item 6, due to his membership of Fenland DC Planning Committee. Councillor David Cole declared a pecuniary interest in F/YR21/0915/F as the developer of the site.

**M083/21: The minutes of the meeting held on 19th July were agreed and signed by the Chairman.**

**M084/21**: Items arising from the previous meetings.

* **Bus Shelters**: The Clerk reported that as far as he was aware work was due to start any time.
* **Notice Boards**: The Chairman gave an update on the progress of the installation of the Village Notice Boards, she reported that only 2 further actions were outstanding.
* **Trees**: Councillor Mark Pratt presented a report to members regarding the tree survey that had been undertaken, he explained that the report was very thorough and gave the Council a full report of work that needed to be carried out, which would preserve and enhance the village trees. The Clerk was asked to circulate the report to all members.
* **Telecom Mast:** Councillor Ben Bonos reported that there would shortly be a site survey by a telecom’s provider.
* **Gravel in the Skatepark**: It was agreed to ask Pro-Edge, the contractor installing the bus shelters if they could advise a solution to secure the gravel in place.
* **Cemetery drainage**: Councillor David Cole asked the latest position regarding the drainage works to the Cemetery. The Clerk reported that tender would be requested shortly.
* **Public Rights of Way (PROW)**: Mowing. Councillor Mark Pratt presented a short report and quotation for the cutting of the PROW’s. Members agreed to further pursue this at the budget meeting.

**M085/21: Planning applications:**

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| **F/YR21/0844/F** | **Lighting at Ireton’s Way, Chatteris** | **NO OBJECTION** |
| **F/YR/21/0915/F** | **Development at Fallow Corner Dove, Manea** | **NO OBJECTION**  **(Councillor Cole left the meeting).** |
| **F/YR21/0916/CERTLU** | **35, Westfield Road, Manea** | **NO OBJECTION** |
| **F/YR21/0943/NONMAT** | **31, Station Road, Manea** | **OBJECT:** Manea Parish Council are concerned at the narrowness of the drive, and the entrance splays. |

**M086/21: Police Matters**: There was nothing to report.

**M087/21: Report from District Councillor Charlie Marks.**

* Councillor Marks was continuing to survey and reporting faulty lights in the village.
* Councillor Marks reported that he was still pursuing various road works.

**M088/21: Financial Matters**; The RFO presented the monthly accounts and items for payment, members accepted the report and authorised the RFO to pay the accounts. *(Attached*)

The RFO reminded members that the 2022/2023 budget process would be underway shortly, he asked members to forward any suggestions for funding, he also advised members to ask partner organisations and members of the public.

**M089/21: Mobile Vehicle Activated System (MVAS)**. Councillor Ben Bonos reported that further meeting was to take place with Nicholas Wood of Cambridgeshire Highways to ascertain viable solutions.

**M090/21: Queens Jubilee**: Members agreed to have a further discussion regarding the Jubilee.

**M091/21: Station Road Measures**: Councillors Jan Coupland and Ben Bonos reported that further meetings would take place with Cambridgeshire Highways regarding a Local Highway Improvement bid.

**M092/21: Village Walk**: The Chairman, Mrs Eves would circulate date for members to ascertain a convenient date for a Village Walk.

**M093/21: Allotments Road**: The Clerk was asked to contact CCC Highways regarding the procurement of road chippings to be applied to the Allotment Road. The Clerk reminded members that the Council would have to arrange transport.

**M094/21: Playground Inspections**: The Clerk reported that playground inspections would be required by a “qualified” person on a monthly rota. The Clerk advised members that he was willing to attend a one-day training course by ROSPA and then carry out the monthly inspections. The Clerk reminded members that an annual inspection would still be required.

**M095/21: Correspondence**: The Clerk reported that he had received a request from the football club to serve hot food from the Pavilion. Members rejected the request; the Pavilion had no hygiene certificate or the preparation of hot food. Councillor Bonos said that he would have further dialogue with the football club.

**M095/21: The date and time of the next meeting – Monday 20th September 2021 in the Village Hall.**

**M096/21: Confidential Items**: A resolution was agreed by members to exclude members of the press and public, for the following items which were confidential and contractual.

* **Station Car Park**. (Councillor Marks left the meeting as he is a member of FDC).
* **Maurice Short Pavilion**
* **Staff Matters**

**M097/21: The meeting ended at 9.50pm.**

**Signed……………………………………………………………………………………………………………Chairman**

**Date……………………………………………………………….**