**MANEA PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**21st FEBRUARY 2022**

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

Alan Melton (Clerk/RFO)

M181/21: Public Forum. Mr Malcolm Willmott reported an “explosion” of mole hills in the park, Councillor Emery reported that the Mole Catcher had been engaged to tackle the problem.

Mr. Hive expressed concerns regarding the proposed development at the rear of 96 to 100 Westfield Road. The Clerk explained that the planning application would be discussed at item 6.

M182/21: Apologies: Councillor Eves and Councillor Gowing (CCC)

M183/21: Code of Conduct: Members were reminded of the Code of Conduct.

M184/21: Declarations of Pecuniary and non-Pecuniary interests. Councillor Charlie Marks declared an interest in item 6 (Planning) as a member of FDC Planning Committee. He did not take part in the discussions or voted on any application.

M185/21: Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 17th January 2022 were received and agreed and signed by the Vice-Chairman, (Mrs Coupland).

M186/21: Progress and Action of the previous meeting.

* Bus Shelters, Councillor Cundell reported that the work was complete.
* Cemetery Repairs, it was reported that the works to the gates and fencing was complete, members expressed satisfaction of the work and thanked all those who carried out

the work.

* School Crossing, the Clerk reported that the fees to CCC had been refunded, members resolved to pursue the project later in the year.
* Containers, following the deferred item at the previous meeting, members agreed to the stationing of a container on the Park Field when the ground could accommodate transportation.

M187/21: Planning Applications:

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| **F/YR22/0024/F** | Change of use for 6no touring caravans at, Land South of Dragons Rest, Purls Bridge, Manea | **No Objection:**Members are concerned that unless this is monitored, it may turn into a permanent development. Conditions should reflect this. |
| **F/YR22/0084/O** | Erect 26no dwellings at Land North of 96A to 100, Westfield Road, Manea | **Object:** Although within the Manea PC designated plan, the proposal is over development, 26 is too many! The site is greenfield, concerns regarding sewage and foul water disposal. |
| **F/YR22/0092/RM** | 3 Storey dwelling at, Land East of Biggins House, Fallow Corner Drove, Manea | **No Objection** |
| **F/YR22/0094/F** | Erect single storey extension at, Lady’s Acre, Langwood Fen Drove, Chatteris | **No Objection** |
| **F/YR22/0116/RM** | Reserved Matters, Landscaping etc at Land North and West of 26 High Street, Manea | **No Comment** |
| **F/YR22/0167/F** | Erect 1 dwelling with integral garage at, Land to the West of Biggins House, Fallow Corner Drove, Manea | **No Objection** |

M188/21: Police Matters: A confidential report was circulated to all members.

M189/21: Reports from District and County Councillors. Councillor Marks (FDC) had previously circulated a brief report. Councillor John Gowing (CCC) was absent.

M190/21: Financial Matters: The RFO presented the income and expenditure accounts report and invoices to be paid. Proposed by Councillor Cundell and Seconded by Councillor Cole, members authorised the RFO to pay all outstanding invoices.

M191/21: Maurice Short Community Pavilion, The Clerk gave a brief up-date of progress, it was agreed that there would be a special meeting of the Council to discuss the draft proposals. The Clerk reported that the ground survey would probably result in a raft foundation.

M192/21: Bus Shelter Notice Boards: Councillor Cundell reported that the bards had been delivered and were ready for installation.

M193/21: Queens Platinum Jubilee, the Clerk had received an application for a grant from the Gala Committee regarding the supply of Bunting. The Clerk stated that this would be an agenda item for the next meeting as this represented a large amount for which had not been budgeted.

M194/21: Manea Station Car Park: The Clerk reported that after receiving Legal Advice, Manea Parish Council would not participate in the management of the car park.

M195/21: Manea Primary School, members had been circulated with proposals for the expansion of the school. Members welcomed the proposals, but not comment further until a planning application was received.

M196/21: Fenland Local Plan, The Clerk reported that the next stage of the new FDC Local Plan would now be conducted in June/July 2022.

M197/21: Local Government Boundary Review: The Clerk reported that the Local Government Boundary Commission for England would be holding a briefing on 16th March 2022.

M198/21: Correspondence, the Clerk had received a letter from Welney Parish Council, enlisting our support in lobbying for improvements to the A1101 to prevent the annual flooding when the wash was flooded. Members agreed to support the lobbying, but not to donate any money.

M199/21: Meeting Date, The Clerk reported that the April meeting would be held on Monday 25th April 2022 as the 18th was Easter Monday.

M200/21: Date and time of the next meeting, Monday 21st March 2022 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed……………………………………………………………………………………………….Chairman

Date…………………………………………………………………………..