



**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING  
27 APRIL 2016  
7.30PM AT THE TOWNLEY HALL**

**A G E N D A**

**1 Minutes of last APM**

**2 Chairman's Welcome**

**3 Police Report**

**4 Finance Report followed by  
Village Charities Report**

**5 County Councillor's Report**

**6 District Councillors' Reports**

**7 FPC Committee Reports**

**8 Ida Darwin Update**

**9 Youth/Scout Building**

**10 School Report**

**11 Church Report**

**12 Village Organisations Reports**

**13 Any other business**

**13 Chairman's closing comments**

## **LOCAL PLAN**

In response to the proposed modifications to the submitted Local Plan, South Cambs District Council and Cambridge City Council received 1037 representations from 222 individual respondents and there were 894 objections. The delivery of a 5 year housing supply will be very challenging as developers are sitting on land after receiving planning permission because of the rising house price market in the Cambridge sub region.

The adoption of the Local Plan could well slip into 2018 and may even be overtaken by the City Board's view of planning strategy due in 2018/19.

## CURRENT PLANNING APPEALS

<p><b>Teversham Road</b></p> <p>A working party comprising Cllrs Drage, Cone and Thorn, Mr Robert Culshaw (Save Fulbourn's Fields) and Mr David Cottee (Fulbourn Forum) has been set up to look into ways to fight the appeal, along with South Cambs District Council.</p>	<p><b>Barleyfields (Lanthorn Stile)</b></p> <p>The applicant for Barleyfields has gone to appeal on the grounds of non-determination by South Cambridgeshire District Council. (An appeal is permitted on the grounds of non determination when the local planning authority fails to determine the application within the statutory period). SCDC is currently dealing with some 900 planning applicants.</p>
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### SWIFTS

2015 was a very successful season for the Swifts. In 2011 just 10 pairs occupied boxes in the Swifts Development, and in 2015 this number had risen to 87. There are probably as many nesting swifts now as before the redevelopment started. It was also noted that four nest sites on the north side of St Vigor's church were used for the fifth year running. During 2015, 26 people took part in the surveys, while five residents on the Swifts Development contributed observations made from their own homes. In addition to the above, there are around 60 further swift boxes located around the village. These have yet to attract nesting birds but moves are afoot to see whether some modifications might improve the chance of successful nesting. Now that the success of the new nesting sites on the Swifts Development has been confirmed, it has been agreed that rather than a full season survey being undertaken, the group will plan a **Fulbourn Swift Watch Week** of intensive monitoring and education, probably in the week commencing 11 July. It may be preceded by a display at the Fulbourn Feast in June. **If you would like to get more involved with the Group** and its activities, and receive more detailed occasional information on swift related events, including possible visits to other sites, then please contact John Willis on C881103 or email [fulbournforum@gmail.com](mailto:fulbournforum@gmail.com)

### DOG FOULING

Incidences of dog fouling not being cleared up are increasing in the village and on the Recreation Ground. It is an offence not to clear up after your dog and any persistent offenders will be reported to the appropriate authority.



**No fouling  
Clean it up**

### STREET LIGHTS IN FULBOURN

Due to the Cambs County Council decision to introduce a part time lighting programme which will affect Fulbourn the Parish Council conducted a survey of all the current street lights in Fulbourn. After evaluating the results and also taking into account the concerns that parishioners had over the possible health and safety issues and the potential for criminal incidences during the hours of darkness, Fulbourn Parish Council will be meeting the annual cost of keeping the street lights in Fulbourn on from 2.00am to 6.00am. Due to a decision by South Cambs District Council over which the Parish Council has no control, the lights on residential streets will be dimmed and on through roads will be fully on.

The survey also determined which streets and roads were considered too dark after Balfour Beatty had removed 10% of the total lights and the Parish Council will be or has replaced at its own cost a street light on Bird Farm Road, Geoffrey Bishop Avenue and St Vigor's Road. Any further concerns over street lighting should be reported to the Clerk in the first instance.



**ROAD MAINTENANCE**

Cambs County Council is replacing road markings and studs following surface dressing works planned during the Spring and Summer of 2016 which will include Balsham Road.

**PARKING AT FULBOURN HEALTH CENTRE**

Visitors to the Health Centre who park on the road or pavements on Haggis Gap can cause congestion and difficulty in passing for other cars and pedestrians. Where possible could attendees please park in the Health Centre car park at the rear of the building, as signposted from Haggis Gap.

**BOTTISHAM VILLAGE COLLEGE**

The Bottisham Village College Academy Trust, in conjunction with the County Council, will be consulting on its plan to increase the capacity of the College to a 10 Form Entry (FE) totalling some 1500 students. The County Council has currently £10 million in its capital budget to expand the College to 10 FE from 2018 and the Trust will be showing plans to bring this capacity forward with the use of temporary accommodation.

**NO 18 BUS SERVICE TO NEWMARKET**

Following a recent meeting with the County Transport Manager of representatives from Teversham, the Wilbrahams and Fulbourn Forum, plus John Williams our County Councillor, it can be confirmed that County funding for the three days a week bus to Newmarket will continue through the 2016-17 financial year. However, major cuts to the county transport budget have been earmarked for 2017-18 and 2018-19, so there is no guarantee that the service will continue in its present form. Passenger numbers have increased a little but not enough for a fully commercial service, so do use it if you can. The No.18 Whippet bus runs on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, leaving at 10.30am from outside the Chemist in Fulbourn High Street, arriving at the Newmarket bus station at 11.00am. The bus returns from Newmarket at 1.30pm, arriving back in Fulbourn at 2.00pm.

**End of an era, but Library Book Sales will continue...**

The Library volunteers would like to thank the Friends of Fulbourn Library for their many years of hard work in support of the Village Library. In fact if it wasn't for the Friends, Fulbourn would no longer have a library, so we have a lot to be grateful to them for. The original Friends of Fulbourn Library group, set up in 1995, campaigned to save the Library from closure and book sales were begun to help support the County Library. In 2003 the battle was lost and the Friends set up our volunteer Library in the County Council Library premises in School Lane. Since then the volunteers have run the Library and the Friends have held their monthly book sales to raise money for the Library. In 2009 the Library moved to The Swifts: the Friends' book sales continued and the volunteers began the coffee morning held on the same morning. The Friends have now decided to take a well-earned rest, but the volunteers will continue the book sales and coffee mornings on the first Saturday of every month. Please come and join us to continue the tradition.



Cllr Cone presented the Parish Council's case for a zebra crossing on Cambridge Road to Cambridgeshire County Council at the end of last year. Council has just received notification that unfortunately our bid was not successful on this occasion. Cllr Cone and the Parish Council will hold discussions with residents to see how our case may be strengthened and if a new bid could be made later in the year.



### South Cambs District Council new boundary proposals

Fulbourn division is being reduced in size because it is currently considerably larger than the average division. The original proposal agreed by South Cambs District Council was to link Teversham Village, Teversham Foxgloves, Fulbourn Village and Fulbourn Beechwoods with two district councillors. A revised plan has been submitted by the Liberal Democrats which would see Fulbourn Village, Fulbourn Beechwoods, Teversham Foxgloves, Great Wilbraham, Little Wilbraham and Six Mile Bottom being grouped together with two District Councillors.

### Cambs County Council new boundary proposals

The Boundary Commission has published its final proposal for new County Council divisions. As expected Fulbourn division is being reduced in size and as a result Horningsea Parish Council and Fen Ditton village are being transferred to the Waterbeach division. The southern part of Fen Ditton covering the proposed 'Wing' development remains in Fulbourn. The proposal now goes to Parliament for ratification and it is expected that next year's County Council elections will use the new divisions. There is an overall reduction in County Councillors from 69 to 61.

### SPEEDWATCH

Tuesday 15 March saw the long awaited start of Speedwatch in Fulbourn at Doggett Lane. Other streets and roads in the Parish will be trialled in the next few months. If you would like to be a volunteer and be trained in the use of the speedwatch equipment, please contact the Clerk.



### Defibrillator on the High Street

The Parish Council is awaiting delivery of a defibrillator from the British Heart Foundation which is to be sited outside the Co-op by the Parish Noticeboard in the High Street.

When it has arrived, the Parish Council will be putting on training sessions in the use of the defibrillator. If you would like to be trained, you can let the Clerk know now or just come along on the night. The dates will be advertised on the noticeboards and on the Parish web site in due course.

<u>Dates for your Diary</u>		PARISH COUNCILLORS	
27 Apr	Annual Parish Meeting,	Mary Drage, <b>Chair</b>	880712
7.30pm	Townley Hall	Derek Thorn <b>Vice Chair</b>	881309
29 Apr	Fulbourn Forum AGM	Dawne Brown	573495
7.30pm	Fulbourn Centre	Alan Bullen	880729
7 May	Fulbourn Windmill Open Day	Graham Cone	07595
9 May	'Grow your Own', Fulbourn Forum	and <b>District Councillor</b>	361285
7.30pm	Six Bells	Sid Dawson	510307
11 May	Parish Council meeting	Robert Lacey	881469
7.30pm	Fulbourn Centre	Tina Lockwood	881713
6 June	'Grow your Own', Fulbourn Forum	Julian Mair	572181
7.30pm	Six Bells	Robin Newell	880129
8 June	Parish Council meeting	John Rickett	700065
7.30pm	Fulbourn Centre	Neil Scarr	880517
26 June	Fulbourn Feast	Jacky Sitton	880130
	Recreation Ground	Dave Smith	881334
13 July	Parish Council meeting	Gill Ward	881757
7.30pm	Fulbourn Centre	<b>Parish Clerk</b>	
		Tish Newman	881042
		<b>District and County</b>	
		<b>Councillor</b>	880940
		John Williams	

**Bookings for the Swifts and news items for the Village Web site – publicise your event -**

Contact Cllr Derek Thorn, Tel: 01223 881309, email: [derek.thorn@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:derek.thorn@tiscali.co.uk)

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