

6. Correspondence

Huntingdonshire District Council – BT’s proposal to re-align payphone provision to meet customer demand

Email from Mr Neil Tuffin with regard to the UKIP candidate residing on Fairmead Park estate and also the allotment adjoining the one he rents.

Cambridgeshire County Council – Post Office Closures in Cambridgeshire

Email Mr Keith Sisman – giving apologies for the meeting

Huntingdonshire District Council – Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report: 2007/08 – report taken by Mr Paine to read

Newsletter – COPE

Huntingdonshire Police – Safer Neighbourhood Panel meeting

7. Cheques

Clerk	£229.49
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8. Maintenance

Email received from Mr Lee Gray, the new grass cutting contractor, expressing his concern at the comment made in the recent newsletter. Mr Paine advised that he would be making an apology as Editor of the Newsletter.

Mrs Hopkins advised that she had received emails from Deanna Hudson expressing her concern at the state of the grassed areas in the village.

Mr Racey advised that he had recently inspected the area at the playground which he found to be in a satisfactory state. Further discussion favoured a re-structuring of the grass cutting contract to specify that no cuts are undertaken throughout November to February inclusive with the following cuts for the remainder of the year:

March – one

April – two

May – two

June – two

July – two

August – one

September – one

October – one

Clerk to write to Mr Gray to confirm this re-structuring.

Mr Racey advised that the sign at the top of High Street/Longholme Road broken. Mr Racey also advised that BT had dug two holes – one at junction of Church Lane and the other outside 58 Huntingdon Road and are in unsatisfactory state of repair. Clerk to write to Highways.

Mr Racey further advised that during the winter arrangements should be made for the long hedge bordering the allotments to be cut back and tidied. Unfair for the tenant of the allotment bordering the hedge to be responsible for its upkeep.

9. Allotments at Great Raveley

Letter from Mr Colin Bryce was discussed and it was agreed that as an interim measure the Clerk should write to offer Mr Bryce the allotment in Upwood which has been allowed to fall into disrepair by the previous tenant. Clerk to further advise Mr Bryce that a review will take place later in the year with regard to the allotments at Great Raveley.

10. Planning

No plans received.

11. Any other business

Mr Paine advised that he had been contacted in connected with the seat that was formerly in place by the bus stop which has been removed and stored in the Chapel of Rest at the cemetery. Mr Tony Place has requested that he have access to the seat in order that it may be refurbished and placed in the cemetery for use by visitors.

There is also a costermonger's barrow stored in the Chapel of Rest and again Mr Place feels that this should be refurbished and perhaps given to Ramsey Rural Museum as a loan item. Agenda item for next meeting.

Mr Paine advised that drain cover in the cemetery had been dislodged and Mrs Peckover had tripped. Mr Paine advised that he cleaned out the pit and replaced cover.

The matter of the cemetery gates was also raised. Agenda item for next meeting.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked all those present and closed the meeting at 8.35 p.m.