

**MINUTES OF ELTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE HIGHGATE
HALL ON TUESDAY 15th July 2008**

Present: Cllr R Elvin (Chairman)
Cllr C Bense
Cllr J Burgess
Cllr Dalglish
Cllr R Hidderley
Cllr I Kirk (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Nicholson
Cllr Porter
Cllr R Rankmore
Cllr B Shrive
Cllr Truman

In Attendance: Mrs W Gray (Parish Clerk)
Cllr Hensley
Mr J Cooper CCC (Rights of Way)
Mrs L Porter, Mrs H Sumner, Miss Sumner-Andrews
(members of the public)

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr McGuire
PCSO Barry Chamberlain

2. Declaration of Interest

Cllr Bense – Village Greens

3. Minutes of 17th June 2008

Cllr Bense proposed above minutes were agreed, seconded by Cllr Hidderley, all councillors in agreement.

4. Authorisation of Payments

Wendy Gray, Parish Clerk – Wages & Exp June/July 2008	£204.60
Highgate Hall – Hire of Annexe 20 th May 2008	£9.00
MHB Services – July 2008	£48.45
Zurich Insurance	£1,440.04
BCN Multiclean – Grasscutting – June/July 2008	£440.00
Total:	£2,142.09

Authorisation of payments – proposed Cllr Rankmore, seconded Cllr Porter – all councillors in agreement.

5. Public Rights of Way

John Cooper from Cambridgeshire County Council was invited to attend meeting to discuss Public Rights of Way.

6. Highways

Further updates awaited.

7. Trees

Branches broken off tree on verge of Gables, Cllr Bense contacted HDC who sent workmen out to cut down and make safe.

RHS have taken over 1000 cuttings from Elm Tree at Highgate Hall.

Wansford Road – trees chopped down, Cllr Elvin will ask Tree Warden to investigate.

8. Planning

0801781FUL – Conservatory 2 Rectory Farm Court – plans discussed – no objections lodged.

0801263CLED – 4 Sheepwalk Cottage, Oundle Road – plans discussed – no objections lodged.

9. Composting

Look at replacing skip in the Autumn.

10. Street Lighting

Replacement cover for light Overend requested. Nothing further to report.

11. Erosion of Greens and Verges

11.1 The Crown Inn – Beer Festival – Hero Sumner advised the PC on proposed plans for coming weekend and requested permission from PC to use Blocks Green for Bouncy Council, Exotic Birds and some parking of motorcycles.

After long discussions the PC council agreed subject to the following:

The Crown would have use of Block Green only for

- a) Bouncy Castle
- b) Birds of Prey
- c) Parking for a small number of motorbikes

No cars are to be parked on either of the greens

The Crown will undertake to put right any damage caused

The whole event is marshalled

11.2 Use of Village Green – Mr Marvin, Back Lane – permission was given for Mr Marvin to use village green for picnic.

11.3 Grant for village green – due to content of agenda an Extraordinary meeting to be arranged to discuss this topic in detail.

12. Invitations and Requests

Nothing to report

13. Sibson – Aircraft Noise

Still awaiting a response from our MP.

14. Reports from Councillors

Cllr Shrive – bins being left out. Cllr McGuire suggested we let HDC know and they will deal with.

Cllr Bense – Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Life Awards – Cllrs comments to be sent back to Cllr Bense within 7 days. Cllr Bense has taken a lot of time in completing all necessary paperwork for which we thank her.

PCSO Barry Chamberlain was unable to attend meeting but had sent crime figures for the last month – explanation to be sought on what numbers mean.

15. Date of Next Meeting

16th September 2008

The meeting closed at approx.10 p.m.

Signed: Date: