

**MANEA PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2004.**

**Visitor** –Mr.Dan Horn, Fenland District Council, Housing Officer who spoke about Option Fenland. He explained about the working party and its composition and said it was chaired by Mr.Hawkins. The tenants will be consulted – there are four options to be considered. He asked parish council to encourage residents to become involved. He explained about the fenland standard which is required for all housing in Fenland. He said the process should be completed by next summer.

**Present:** All members were present except Mr.J.Smith.

**Minutes** of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2004 were confirmed and signed.

**Matters Arising:**

*Highways* - letter from Mike Davies enclosing copies of the orders for the speed limit changes.

Letter from Vincent Phipps explained in detail about the “build outs” which will be put in High Street. He explained new gullies will be needed as the build outs will obstruct the existing channel runs. He also felt the location of the one near the church was the best place because of the existing accesses.

County Councillor Harper – newsletter – also with highway news  
FDC – grounds maintenance contract – a copy was sent to council with the specification for reference – some of the parts identified by colour had initials which council was unsure of meaning – clerk to enquire what these are.

*Trees* - Mr.Jolley gave all councillors a copy of the trees with orders and those in the pipeline for new orders.

*Street Light* - quotation for service to new light at School Lane corner – since we have not had estimate for column yet it was proposed by Mr.Barnes, seconded by Mr.Smart we hold the quotation until both are to hand.

Mention was made of a light still out in Westfield Road near 37b – clerk to report again.

Chairman asked councillors to make a note of dark areas around the village and report to next meeting.

Citizens Advice – letter saying they had been given use of room at doctor’s surgery for outreach sessions. To write letter of thanks to Dr.Hirson for his assistance.

**Pit Negotiations** – clerk has received an e-mail from Mr.Shelton saying valuation has been sent to DEFRA with letter in support of sale to council at original price. If nothing has been heard early in New Year to contact Mr.Costein again asking if he could assist.

**Allotments** – all rents have been collected.

**Planning**

Approval – 10 x 3 bed semi-det in Williams Way

D.Morris – 4 dwellings south west of 100 Westfield Road – this falls outside the development line therefore council cannot support it. However they have asked for this site to be included in the revisions for the new development plan currently being considered. The site was also recommended for inclusion when the plan was last revised also.

Hazelmere Homes – residential development land south and west of 25 Station Road – site meeting held to discuss this and the proposals for the open space. Council are still very concerned at the density on the site, also the parking since there is only included one space per dwelling. There is already a major problem with parking outside the school. The provision proposed for the open space, although looks good on paper, will it actually be carried out, and if so it looks high maintenance – who will be responsible. Letter to be written about this and other open space provision in village

Mrs Newton/Mrs Barnes – dwelling on land NE of 14a Station Road – site meeting held – council concerned at width of shared roadway access. This is backland development and against parish council policy. Also part of the site falls outside the village development line and if the dwelling is built at the top of the site near the roadway it would possibly overlook 14a.

Sears Bros – conversion of farm buildings to form 1 5 bed and 2 4 bed dwellings at Wateringhill Farm, Fodder Fen – although this is outside the building line, it is a conversion of existing buildings and therefore the council support it.

Dr.R.Hirson – erection of 2 3xbed semi detached houses on land south of Surgery, Cathedral View – supported. Mr.Jolley declared a non-pecuniary interest in this application.

Mr.Hudson/Miss Kilbride – extension to 24 School Lane – supported.Mr.Jolley declared a non-pecuniary interest in this application.

R.Hawkins – resubmission for 3-bed house and 2 ¾ bed semi-detached chalet bungalows at 2 East Street - Mr.Hawkins declared an interest in this application. The changes were to include a small extension on the house and to include a bedroom in the roof of one chalet bungalow – supported

C.Barnes – amended plans for development at rear of 9-15 High Street.Mr.Barnes declared his interest and left room during discussion. Amendments supported.

### **Finance**

Concurrent Functions Grant –

Additional item – street light £827.

Cemetery £1650

War memorial 54

Public Conveniences 195

Play equip 250

Car park 100

Proposed by Mrs.Cole, seconded by Mrs.Desborough this be submitted  
Precept - following half yearly finance review it was confirmed the precept submission should remain as agreed at this review £12,000. Proposed by Mrs.Desborough, seconded by Mr.Barnes

### Receipts

Rents	875.00
Sears burial	60.00
Chambers burial	165.00
Football pav exp	335.44
Rents	280.00
E.Cave – grave space	<u>100.00</u>

Proposed:Mr.Hawkins  
Seconded Mr.Emery

### Payments

Brit Leg poppy wreath	19.00
Powergen elec pav	105.81
Sports	<u>10.71</u>
J.Boardman cleaning	32.94
I Cook sal and postage	383.12
M.Short new areas	65.88
J.Waters cem & war mem	282.50
Manea & Welney Drainage	21.17
Inland Revenue	<u>151.71</u>
	1072.84

**Correspondence**

- FDC – giving numbers if we needed workmen for repairs etc – to keep on file
- FDC – community grant scheme application – Mr.Barnes will look into
- CALC quality councils – various training sessions
- CCC parish path partnership – left on table
- Cambs ACRE – affordable housing – asking if it could be indicated on map the area Mr.Jolley has offered for this – Mr.Jolley so indicated.
- CCC – winter gritting leaflet
- FDC – liaison meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> January – Mrs.Cole/Mrs.Desborough offered to attend.
- Fenland Voluntary Sector directory
- Fenland Crime audit information
- Environmental Agency flood details
- FDC – Your council – your choice information
- FDC – extension at village hall for New Years Eve

**Additional** – mention was made of the dyke in Station Road which has recently been cleared by Manea & Welney Drainage and the spoil put on the verge – Mr.Barnes explained the board had right to undertake this work.  
The tiles under the play equipment are very slippery – clerk to ask Wicksteeds if there is anything they can be cleaned with to stop this.

**Date of next meeting** – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2004 at 7.00 p.m.

Signed ..... Dated .....

