

A Meeting of Great Abington Parish Council

To be held on **Monday 20th March 2023**, starting at **7.15pm** in the hall at the Institute.

117. OPEN FORUM - Parishioners can raise any matters of concern.

118. APOLOGIES

119. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED

120. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE LAST MEETINGS on 16th January and 30th January 2023.

121. RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR AND ADVERTISING VACANCY TO CO-OPT A NEW COUNCILLORS.

122. REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR HENRY BATCHELOR –circulated

123. REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR JOHN BATCHELOR –circulated

124. HIGHWAY ISSUES

- a) More new pot holes on High Street, many on the Pampisford road mainly around the speed bumps. Potholes on the high street where the road is breaking up badly between the school and the church and the old A11 at the Abington Park end and near North and South road junctions.
- b) Update from Planning Enforcement on highlighted irregularities.
- c) Pampisford Road and Cutting Road signs have fallen down. Reported on a portal Henry sent details of.
- d) The footpath outside Morefield on the Pampisford is breaking up- - discussed at site meeting with Highway Officer on 6th September. Ownership of path to be clarified.
- e) Tree overhanging verge and close to road on Pampisford Road
- f) Trees on the Newmarket road are now growing out into the road.
- g) Cutting back the bushes on path to Chalky Rd.

125. PLANNING

- a) Planning applications to be considered:
 - 23/00559/HFUL - 43A North Road – Replacement detached garage/outbuilding: addition of dormer window to eastern elevation
- b) 23/00329/LBC - TWI - Creation of a 4 m opening to the curtilage listed wall to enable the creation of an east-west shared access which forms part of the outline application 22/05549/OUT, together with the general repair of copings and masonry to the wall.

c)The planning decision from the Parish Council and District Council are on a separate sheet

126. SIGN TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP DEED WITH HILL FOR THE PLAYAREA, COMMUNITY ORCHARD, GRASSED AREAS AND PARKING BAYS.

a) Councillors to authorise the signing of the deed of ownership for the areas of land in Larkfield including the play area, community orchard, open grassed areas and the parking bays? Management inspections /maintenance of play area, orchard and open spaces.

127. FINANCE

- a) Authorisation of the payments in the table below.
- b) Precept request form sent to SCDC in January.

Payment to be authorised by Councillors:

Payment method	Payee	Product or service	Payment value
Bank transfer	Richard Smith	Abington Recreation Ground – turf – SECTION 106	£391.39
Bank transfer	James Davie	Landscaping pump track – SECTION 106	£3,570.00
Bank transfer	Glenn Broad	Cutting back hedge along footpath to Chalky Road	£180.00
Bank transfer	Abington History Group	Funding towards Archiving equipment	£100
Bank transfer	Paula Harper	Pay for February -Standing Order	£306.46
Bank transfer	HMRC	Tax for February – Standing order	£76.60

- c) HMRC - submissions sent by Clerk not received by HMRC- Clerk trying to resolve
- d) Utility Aid should be sending a new lower priced agreement for the electricity supply for the lights until 2025. It has been chased up.
- e) The Pension Regulator – Clerk has made a re-declaration of compliance stating that no pension is required.
- f) Councillors to agree that the internal auditor can be engaged at a cost of £30/hr?
- g) Can councillors agree a date to meet to in April to consider the year end figures to enable the internal auditor to start work ?
- h) Councillors to authorise the renewal of the website provider GoDaddy.
- i) Village Coronation event on Sunday May 7th, starting with a Big Picnic on the Rec, followed by face painting, a balloon man, Pimms tent, tea tent (and cake), a band, singing by locals, tug-of-war and so forth. Live screening of the Coronation at the Institute on 6 May and to provide light refreshments. Estimated total budget for these events is £1300.GAPC requested to pay in advance £800.After the event , invoices will be supplied to show how the money was spent and any surplus will be returned.

Barclays Bank balances at (no new statements received):

Community Account - £00.00 (on 08/11/2022 from account)
 Business Premium Account - £22,225.05 (on 03/01/2023 statement) – income £12.38
 Active Saver Account (s106 funds) – £ 53,025.23 (on 03/01/2023 statement) – income £9.80

Unity current account:

Balance - £50,706.42 from statement dated 04/03/2023
 Income - £1033.00 – SCDC grass cutting rebate

128.GRASS CONTRACT

a) Can councillors select a contractor to cut the verges and churchyard for this growing season?

129. INSURANCE POLICY

a) The policy has been reviewed by councillors and the Clerk.

b) If the transfer deed for Lark field has been signed , this areas need to be added to the policy.

c) Can councillors retrospectively authorise the payment of the insurance policy which was required by 14th March- £527.24.

130.VILLAGES CLEAN UP ON 15th APRIL

a) Actions required for the event.

b) Provision of refreshments, using the Institute café?

131. GIGACLEAR TEAMS EVENT AND EVENT HELD AT INSTITUTE ON 16th March

a) Report on event

b)Actions the council need to take?

132. ITEMS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

a) Glenn Broad has cut the hedge along the footpath between Pampisford Road and Chalky Road.

b)Any news on the phone mast on the roundabout near Granta Park

c)Electric car charging points

d) Traffic speeding and parking in the village and on double yellow lines.

e) Can someone write the AHVN article for May

f) Broadband - the government have superfast broadband for rural areas as a priority and the LSA seems to be to rural for Gigabit and BT Openreach. Can the Councillors put some pressure on for us and can the Parish Council write to our MP.

g) Query asking if the Social Club applying for a about for the food van.

133. ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

a) Two people are living in a tent on the old railway line. The Clerk contacted Cheffins.

b) Installing a memorial bench on Linton Road opposite the junction of Meadow Walk on Linton Road. Clerk has contacted Gary's sister with council's bank details. Alan Cooke has suggested a formal unveiling of the benches with pictures in the A|&H news.

c) Disabled parking bay installed on the High Street outside the Institute.

d) The Clerk still needs to arrange a working meeting for councillors to understand how to upload and access documents on the new website.

134. REPORT FROM THE LIAISON MEETING

a) Items the council needs to consider or make decisions about that were discussed at this meeting.

135. REPORT FROM THE RECERATION GROUND COMMITTEE

136. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Gigaclear roadwork notification- work throughout the village from 20/03/23-12/06/23.

137.NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA on 15th May 2023 - Holiday dates