Community Meeting Note

ltem	Agenda Item	Lead
1	Welcome and apologiesAttendees:MarcusPickering,BenPitt,HeleneTame,David	Marcus
	Wells, Jenny Parris, Ian Gardner, Barry Chapman, Kim Burrows.	
	Apologies; Julie Wisson, Rosie Ferguson, Emma Lovelock	
2	Minutes/actions from last meeting	Marcus
	There were no actions from the previous meeting	
3	Cambridge Road Bus Stop	Marcus/Barry
	The square of tarmac at the bus stop is now in place.	
4	Grass cutting	Marcus/Barry
	Barry reported that the ongoing issues re grass cutting have	
	been progressed. The District Council had been reluctant to give up the contract but now it has been agreed that the Town	
	Council be the grass cutting subcontractor for St Neots and the County Council will provide a 5 year contract after this year. The Town Council will hire equipment.	
	The District Council will retain responsibility for open spaces. The maintenance implication of grass verges may be reflected in future development.	
5	Video production workshop grant	Ben
	The bid to Cambridgeshire Community Fund to fund this project had been successful and a cheque for £945 had been received. Ben was in the process of obtaining a laptop, camera and the required software.	
	The dates of the two workshops had been set as 13 th August 10-1pm (video making) and 10 th September (editing). The deadline for submitting the finished films to the film festival was 3 rd October. Workshop flyers were available for circulation.	

6	Parking	
	The bid for yellow line funding had been rejected last year and Barry informed the meeting that it would be unlikely to succeed if resubmitted.	
	Barry proposed that the matter should be brought to the attention of the County Council and that he was prepared to proactively drive the issues forward. He suggested the Highways and Community Infrastructure Committee was the most appropriate arena for this or possibly the Economic Transport and Environment Committee.	
	There would need to be a survey prior to the formal consultation. It was noted that there had been a previous safety audit but that had concentrated on junctions rather that the wider picture	
	Barry said that he had been able to secure some third party funding for parking controls and so once the matter was on the agenda of the relevant committee, there should be no difficulty with regard to finance.	
	Another options was to obtain a petition of 1000 signatures and present this to the full County Council	
	• Action Barry to forward the date of the next relevant committee meeting and parking group to discuss next steps.	
7	Senior youth club update	Rosie
	Rosie was not able to attend the meeting so this update was not available. However Kim requested a written report on progress as BPHA had made a substantial funding contribution.	
	Action Kim to forward the relevant report proforma Rosie to complete the report and submit it to Kim	
8	Farm House update	Ben
	Ben reported that the new administrator is in post and is doing extremely well. She is working 9-12 each weekday morning.	
	In addition a bid for funding for air conditioning in the foyer and ventilation in the kitchen had been made to the District Council Community chest but this appeared to have been lost in their system.	
	Snagging problems especially with the plumbing continue and the builders appear to be ignoring the problems seemingly hoping that their first year's responsibility will soon be over. The CCTV of the drains had been lost.	

	Bookings were good and the Summer Fayre, with a wide variety of events is to take place this Saturday.	
9	Newsletter	Helene
	The newsletter alternated between paper and electronic each month. Helene proposed that August is skipped with electronic versions for September and November and paper versions for October and December. She suggested the newsletter be subject to a review by the end of August.	
10	AGM	Marcus
	The date of Friday Oct 28 th was agreed with a start at 7.30pm– bar open at 7.00pm. An AGM subgroup was proposed with Emma, Keela, Marcus, Ben and Helene as members. This group would hopefully meet in August	
	Action Marcus to organise AGM subgroup meeting	
11	Working groups	
	 Dogs – signs had been put up on adopted roads and some `extra spare ones provided. Action – spare signs to be passed to Keela with a request that she confirm the existing provision. 	Keela
	Events no information.	Emma
	Smart – last event well attended. Less litter	Helene
	. Street Reps – Neighbourhood Watch ongoing – need for further development.	Marcus
	Finance – £1000 had been received from the Town Council. One newsletter advertiser has refused to pay using the excuse that she had not approved the advert yet this was contradicted by the email trail	David
12	AOB	Marcus
	Postbox Marcus observed that Love's Farm still only had one post box. Barry said that obtaining that one had been an extremely arduous process but he could forward the relevant application process information for further action/consideration	
	Survey Ben had written the survey in consultation with other officers and now received 31 responses. Responses had been positive. The survey will continue to promoted on line and paper version to be available in LFH foyer.	Ben

• Action Ben to present a summary report next meeting	
Date of next meeting 17 th August 2016 7.30	