

# CHRISTCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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To Members of the Council

2 September 2019

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of Christchurch Parish Council at Christchurch Community Centre, Upwell Road, Christchurch PE14 9LL for the purpose of transacting the following business.

**On Monday 9 September 2019 at 7.30 p.m.**

**Members of the public and press are invited to address the Council at its Public Time from 7.35pm to 7.50pm**

Yours truly

D A Gibbs  
(Clerk/Proper Officer)

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## AGENDA

**045/19-20 Apologies for Absence:**

**046/19-20 Declarations of Interest:**

Councillors to declare any interests in respect of any item to be discussed at this meeting:-

- a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interest
- b) Non-Pecuniary Interest
- c) Sensitive Pecuniary Interest

**047/19-20 Confirmation of Minutes**

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 8 July 2019

**048/19-20 Public Time - 15 minutes. No one person may speak for more than 5 minutes**

**049/19-20 Matters Outstanding**

- a) LHI schemes 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21 - update from Clerk
- b) Recreation Ground - update on tree works and moles
- c) Rubbish and overgrown trees, Crown Road - update from Clerk
- d) Grass cutting contract amendments - update from Clerk
- e) Bus shelter improvement project - update
- f) Crown Road verges - update from Clerk
- g) Ash trees, Green Lane - update
- h) Dog walking area and bins - update
- i) Annual report

**050/19-20 Police Report**

To report on policing matters in the area since the last meeting

**051/19-20 County & District Councillors Reports**

To receive reports from Cllrs Sutton and Tanfield

**052/19-20 Clerk's Report**

To report on correspondence received and meetings attended

**053/19-20 Christchurch Recreation Ground Charity**

- a) Update on discussions with the Management Committee regarding future arrangements.
- b) To agree proposed structure and arrangements
- c) To consider a request from the Management Committee for financial support for the installation of solar panels.

**054/19-20 Planning**

- a) To report on applications considered previously:
  - F/YR19/0297/F - Erection of single-storey side/rear extension and porch to front of existing dwelling - The Cattle Walk, Hall Farm, Upwell Road. Decision pending.
  - F/YR19/0475/F - Erect 1no dwelling (2-storey 3-bed) - North West of Holly Tree Cottage, Crown Road. Permission granted.
  - F/YR19/0574/F - Erection of 2no storage sheds and 2.0 metre high palisade security fencing involving demolition of existing sheds and portacabin - Land South East of Roots Bungalow, Euximoor Drove. Permission granted.
- b) To consider the following application:
  - F/YR19/0615/F - Change of use from mixed use (A1 and C3) to residential (C3) to form additional living accommodation - Brimstone House and the Corner Shop, Church Road.

**055/19-20 Income and Expenditure**

- a) To consider and approve the following accounts for payment:

Clerk salary and home office allowance (Aug/Sept) .....	£ 691.94
Christchurch PCC (churchyard maintenance) .....	£ 122.50
E Mason & Son (grass cutting).....	£ 1,056.00
- b) To receive a financial report from the Clerk as at 31.8.19
- c) To consider a grant application from Christchurch Rainbows & Brownies

**056/19-20 Footpath Outside Plot 1, Field Lodge, Upwell Road**

To report on the meeting with the developer, discuss progress and agree next steps

**057/19-20 Matters for Next Meeting**

To discuss future agenda items from Councillors

**058/19-20 Next Meeting Date**

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting will be Monday 14 October 2019. Items to be included on the Agenda should be with the Clerk by Friday 4 October

# CHRISTCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Christchurch Parish Council held on Monday 8 July 2019 at Christchurch Community Centre, Upwell Road, Christchurch at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs P Owen (Chairman), S Aldridge, J Bliss, R Gladwin, G Harper, J Hughes, K Miller, W Sutton (FDC), D Gibbs (Clerk), M Bower, K Hill, A Nason, P Pomeroy, N Russell, M Simmonds, (Parishioners)

**032/19-20 Apologies for Absence**

None

**033/19-20 Declarations of Interest**

None

**034/19-20 Confirmation of Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting held on 10 June were correctly recorded and signed as being a true record.

**035/19-20 Public Time**

Mr Simmonds expressed his frustration at the lack of progress in creating the footpath from the Community Centre to his property and asked the Council to undertake the works then pursue the developer for repayment. Mr Russell explained that he had been involved in the original negotiations with the developer and has recently reminded him of his responsibilities. Mr Simmonds asked whether it is the Council's intention to wait for the developer to provide the funds and the Chairman confirmed that this is the case. The Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with the developer to discuss the project and clarify a timetable for the works.

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Mr Bower asked why the Council has resolved not to pursue the option of a bus service to Downham Market. Cllr Hughes explained that the recent community survey had indicated insufficient demand to make the service viable. Mr Bower suggested that the Council should speak to residents individually to clarify this.

Mrs Pomeroy requested more speed limit signs in Church Road. The Chairman informed her that the new vehicle-activated sign will be placed in Church Road shortly.

Mr Bower advised the Council that he has accepted the role of Speedwatch Coordinator and training has been arranged. He needs more volunteers, so an appeal will be included in The Heron. He also asked for the equipment to be delivered to him. Cllr Gladwin to arrange.

**Cllr  
Gladwin**

**036/19-20 Matters Outstanding**

- a) LHI schemes - no progress since last meeting.
- b) Recreation Ground - the football club has reported that the grass is too long. Clerk to contact contractor. The moles are still present. Further tree work will be undertaken shortly.
- c) Footpath outside Plot 1, Field Lodge, Upwell Road - meeting to be

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arranged with developer. Clerk to ask solicitor for copy of file.  
Other options to be investigated.

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- d) War memorial - Cllr Miller reported that the work has been completed to a very high standard. Members thanked her for overseeing the refurbishment.
- e) Rubbish and overgrown trees, Crown Road - no progress since last meeting. Cllr Hughes advised that he will be undertaking the tree work this week. The rubbish adjacent to the Baptist Chapel is still there, but has been reported.
- f) Grass cutting contract amendments and bus shelter area - Cllr Miller visited Townley School today to talk about the bus shelter project. All materials are in hand and the children will complete their cobbles before the end of term. Extra materials have been purchased for other members of the community to participate.
- g) Crown Road verges - Members thanked Mr Russell for cutting the grass alongside the unadopted section of Crown Road. The Chairman asked the Clerk to investigate the feasibility of adding the verge opposite 15 Wayside Estate to the village grass cutting schedule.
- h) Dog walking area and bins - the new No Dogs signs for the Recreation Ground have been purchased and will be installed shortly. The southern end of Green Lane at its junction with Padgetts Road has a problem with dog fouling. Members agreed to install a dog bin at this location.
- i) Publication of annual report - Cllr Hughes agreed to produce the Annual Report and asked members to submit information and ideas to him.

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**037/19-20 Police Report**

Nothing to report.

**038/19-20 County & District Councillors Reports**

Cllr Sutton reported that a Golden Age Fair will take place on Thursday 11 July at Wisbech St Mary.

A meeting took place last week to discuss long standing issues with sewers and highways at The Croft. There was some positive news on sewers, but nothing on highways.

Manea and Wimblington Parish Councils have increased their contributions to the combined LHI bid for the Forgotten Corner. The Middle Level Commissioners will consider doing so at their next meeting.

Cllr Sutton voiced his appreciation of the War Memorial refurbishment, which was even better than he expected and he felt that the cost was a small price to pay to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

**039/19-20 Clerk's Report**

The Clerk reported that he had been asked to investigate the ownership of a row of trees requiring attention to the rear of The Croft. The trees lie outside the fence line of the adjacent properties, but are located within the original development curtilage, so belong to the

adjoining homeowners.

The Tree Officer was due to inspect the protected trees in Green Lane, but it is not clear whether or not he attended. Clerk to clarify.

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**040/19-20 Christchurch Recreation Ground Charity**

The solicitor has submitted a revised fees estimate for the additional work required, which takes the project well over the agreed budget. Other options will be explored for discussion at the next meeting.

The Chairman reported that two quotes have been obtained for the installation of solar panels on the roof of the Community Centre. A third quote will be requested. This proposal will be developed over the coming months. A funding application will be submitted to the Whitemill Environment Fund by the Recreation Ground charity.

Cllr Harper suggested that the Council could purchase a cordless strimmer to be used for general maintenance around the Recreation Ground and elsewhere. Members agreed to this proposal. It was also agreed that it could be loaned to the church if required.

**041/19-20 Planning**

- a) It was noted that applications F/YR19/0297/F and F/YR19/0475/F are still under consideration. Application F/YR19/0393/O for a new dwelling west of Mirabelle, March Road, Tipps End was refused as a non-essential dwelling contrary to policy LP3.
- b) Application F/YR19/0574/F - Erection of 2no storage sheds and 2.0 metre high palisade security fencing involving demolition of existing sheds and portacabin - Land South East of Roots Bungalow, Euximoor Drove was considered. Members had no objection to this application.

**042/19-20 Income and Expenditure**

- a) The following accounts were approved for payment:

Clerk salary and home office allowance .....	£	345.97
Fenland District Council (street light recharge) .....	£	1,253.93
Independent Memorial Inspection (war memorial) ...	£	2,572.80
Foras Ltd (cobble for bus shelter) .....	£	75.96
Middle Level Commissioners (drainage rates) .....	£	41.86
Upwell Internal Drainage Board (drainage rates) .....	£	32.20
K Miller (paint for bus shelter) .....	£	66.39
- b) The financial report as at 30 June shows income received of £8,379.00 and expenditure incurred of £8,017.81 leaving a surplus of £361.19 and total funds held of £50,692.75

The external auditor has confirmed receipt of all of the necessary paperwork. As the Council applied for exemption from audit for the 2018/19 financial year, there will be no further correspondence from the auditor unless a member of the public raises an issue for investigation.

A mandate change form was signed in respect of the Barclays Bank accounts as agreed at the previous meeting under minute 029/19-20a).

**043/19-20 Matters for Next Meeting**

No matters raised.

**044/19-20 Next Meeting Date**

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting will be Monday 9 September.

## **Clerk's Report**

The council has been approached by Nathan Lansdell, a resident of Wayside Estate, regarding the possibility of establishing a recycling scheme for items not currently collected by Fenland District Council, working in partnership with an organisation called Terracycle. Collection points will be required in suitable locations in the village. Mr Lansdale has been invited to attend the meeting to explain more about how the system would work.

Richard Horton from Christchurch Farm has reported that a number of the black and white verge markers along the Sixteen Foot Bank were damaged by the grass cutting equipment in July, leaving sections of the road with no visible markers. I have reported this to Highways.

The Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority is consulting on its Local Transport Plan, with a deadline for comments of 27<sup>th</sup> September. Details are available on the CAPCA website.

Fenland District Council is consulting on the new Local Plan, with an event arranged for Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at both 2.00 and 6.00. Parish Councils are invited to nominate up to 3 delegates per session.

The Council is invited to become a supporter of the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Against Scams Partnership to share information to raise awareness of scams. This involves all councillors completing online training, the promotion of the training within the community and the appointment of a local Scam Champion to act as a focal point.

This year's Cambridgeshire Local Councils Conference will take place on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November in Huntingdon. Full details of the event will be published shortly and members are encouraged to attend.



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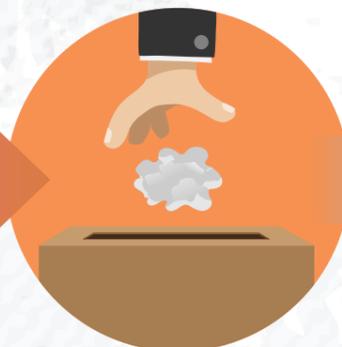
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# Fenland



### Background

- 3.151 Fenland covers approximately 200 square miles within the county of Cambridgeshire. It is a rural, sparsely populated district with many diverse communities, each with different needs. Approximately 80% of the district's residents live within the four towns of Wisbech, March, Whittlesea and Chatteris, with the remainder living in a number of small villages and hamlets across the district.
- 3.152 Although Wisbech forms the largest town, with significant local employment and a range of services, each of the sub-regional centres of Cambridge, Peterborough and Kings Lynn have a considerable influence on various parts of Fenland. Growth in employment in the district has not matched workforce expansion and out-commuting is increasing, with 45% of residents in work commuting to outside the district, including 14% to Peterborough, despite the rural geography.
- 3.153 Fenland's economy is also more reliant on agriculture and food production than the rest of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. There are higher levels of deprivation, particularly within Wisbech. Despite this, there is significant investment in the local economy, including in agri-tech, boosting productivity and creating new jobs for local people.

### Recent and planned growth

- 3.154 Although the district remains relatively sparsely populated, Fenland has experienced considerable housing and population growth in recent years, growing by 8.7% in the decade to 2017<sup>43</sup>. Chatteris and March in particular have accommodated significant new house building, as have Doddington, Wimblington and Manea, with this growth expected to continue.
- 3.155 The Fenland Local Plan, adopted in 2011, set out the district's proposals for growth, including 11,000 additional homes from 2011 to 2031. This includes:
- 3,500 in Wisbech, plus 550 on the eastern edge of the town within the Kings Lynn and West Norfolk council area;
  - 4,200 in March;
  - 1,600 in Chatteris;
  - 1,000 in Whittlesea; and
  - 1,200 elsewhere, predominately in smaller villages.
- 3.156 In addition, the Combined Authority and Fenland District Council are currently exploring plans to develop a new 'garden town' expansion at Wisbech, delivering up to 10,000 additional homes, stimulating further economic growth and creating an attractive place to live.

### Transport challenges

- 3.157 As the most rural and economically deprived district within Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, limited accessibility to Fenland acts to constrain the local economy and hinders development. Uniquely within the Combined Authority, Fenland is not linked to the wider national highway network by dual carriageway. Instead, the district's road network primarily consists of rural, single-carriageway A-roads, many of which suffer from slow average journey times, particularly associated with slower agricultural traffic, and with a poor safety record.
- 3.158 Several key junctions, particularly within Wisbech and at the A47 / A141 Guyhirn Roundabout, act as 'pinch points' on the network, and suffer from severe peak-time traffic congestion, which hinder the town's potential growth. Reflecting the low-lying Fenland landscape, some routes suffer from regular flooding, such as North Bank near Whittlesea, or require specific maintenance due to being constructed on peat soils. High-quality walking and cycling infrastructure is limited or entirely absent, which means that walking and cycling are often unattractive, contributing towards congestion from short car trips and poor air quality.
- 3.159 Fenland also lacks good wider public transport accessibility, particularly by rail. While March is directly served by the rail network, with an hourly service between Stansted Airport, Cambridge and Peterborough (continuing to Birmingham) and more infrequent services to Ipswich, the largest town of Wisbech lacks direct access to the rail network. Residents within Wisbech must therefore either drive to March, or travel to Peterborough, to access the rail network, resulting in additional car journeys on the highway network.
- 3.160 Although frequent bus services operate on key inter-urban corridors between Peterborough, Wisbech and Kings Lynn, and Peterborough, Whittlesea, March and Chatteris, services elsewhere are less frequent and irregular, and recent reductions in financial support have significantly reduced weekend and evening services, making it harder for those without access to a car to travel easily around Fenland. Fenland Association for Community Transport (FACT) operate dial-a-ride services five days a week linking to areas not served directly by the bus network, but there is limited integration between these services and the wider public transport network, which acts to limit the ease with which rural residents can make longer journeys elsewhere (such as to Peterborough).
- 3.161 Lack of transport integration between different bus, rail and community transport services can therefore make it difficult for residents without access to a car to travel to key educational and healthcare services, such as Peterborough City Hospital, which can act to increase the risk of social exclusion and reduce opportunities for our young people to travel elsewhere for education or training.

- 3.162 Since the adoption of the Cambridgeshire's third Local Transport Plan in 2014, several significant improvements have been made to the Fenland transport network. The Combined Authority has recently allocated £10.5 million for a package of improvements to the road network in and around Wisbech to help stimulate housing and economic growth, in addition to the £1.5 million approved to fund a study into a potential future rail link between Wisbech and March. The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority have already committed £9 million of investment into March, Manea and Whittlesea railway stations to aid their regeneration: the first of these projects has been delivered in the form of 70 new solar-powered 'cats eyes' providing an illuminated walkway to Whittlesea railway station.
- 3.163 Infrastructure improvements are also being delivered to better connect Fenland to Peterborough, the nearest major urban centre. Removal of the level crossing at Kings' Dyke - long the cause for delays between Peterborough and Whittlesey - and replacement with a new road bridge, has recently been approved, supported by over £30 million of funding from the Combined Authority.

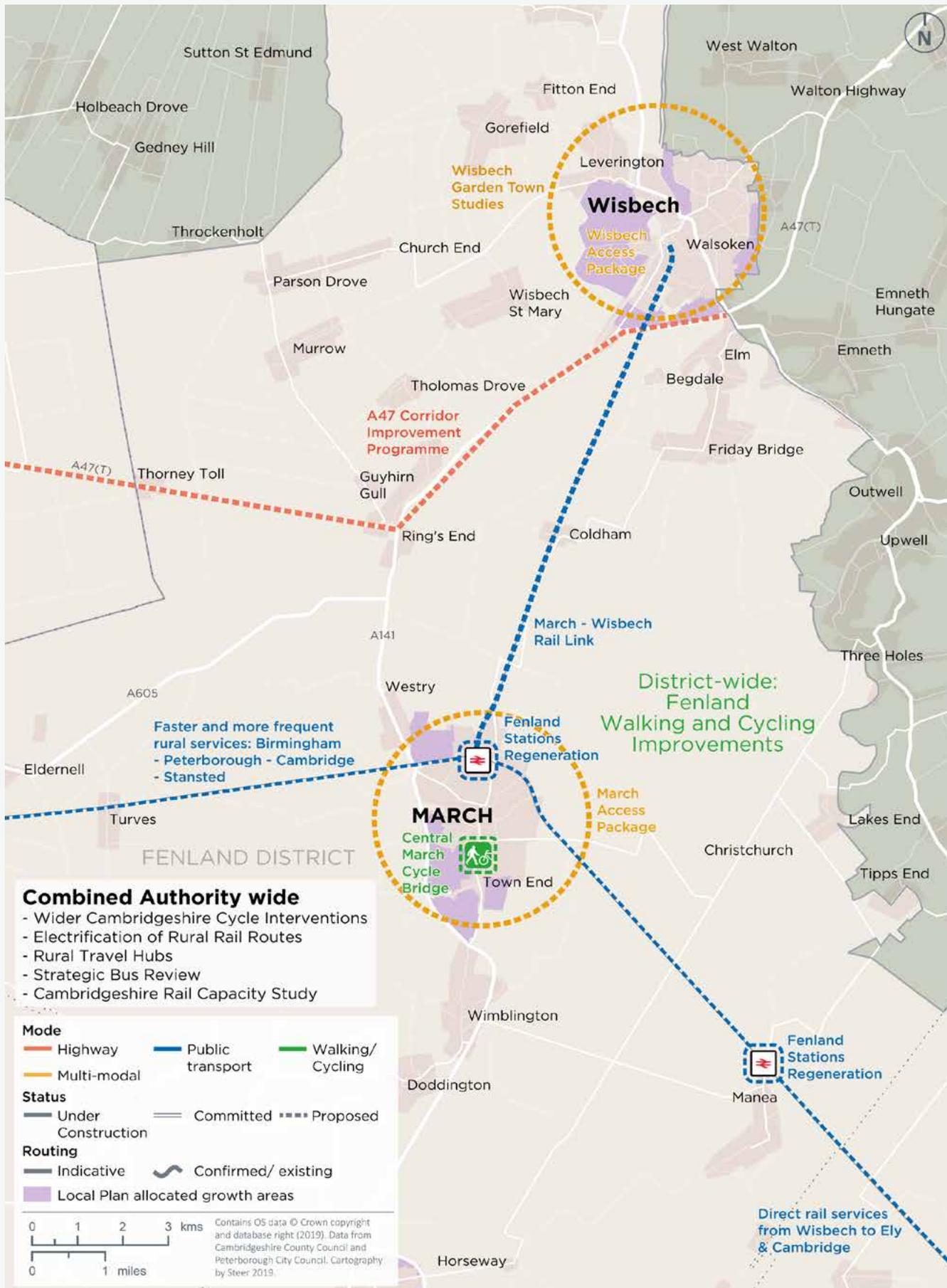
### Our approach

- 3.164 Improving accessibility to Fenland by both road and public transport is central to our strategy. Better links to Peterborough, Greater Cambridge and the rest of the country will help to make Fenland a more attractive place to live and work, encouraging investment and much-needed additional jobs, while creating new opportunities for residents to travel to employment, education or training elsewhere.
- 3.165 Construction to reopen the rail link to Wisbech will transform accessibility of the town by rail, with residents and businesses in Wisbech able to reach Cambridge in approximately 45 minutes, directly connecting them to opportunities within Greater Cambridge. It will also play a key role in supporting the ambition for Wisbech Garden Town.
- 3.166 Accompanied by the rail link is a package of improvements to the A47 between Peterborough, Wisbech and Kings' Lynn, including a much-needed upgrade to the Guyhirn Roundabout. In the longer-term, the Combined Authority will continue to explore the case to dual the route, further reducing journey times and improving safety and reliability along this key link for commuters and freight. Local junction improvements within Wisbech will also help to relieve congestion and provide additional highway capacity to support the town's growth.
- 3.167 Key to our strategy is developing a more integrated, seamless public transport network that provides a genuine alternative to the private car, and ensures access to opportunity for all. Our plans for the bus network include continued support for our key interurban routes between Wisbech and Whittlesea, March, Chatteris, Peterborough and Kings Lynn, working in partnership with operators to review levels of service at evenings and weekends, in line with the recommendations of the Strategic Bus Review. In addition, Once the case for investment in the core CAM network in and around Cambridge has been established,

we will explore the viability of extending the CAM network to connect locations across the Combined Authority area, including into Fenland. We will also continue to support the demand-responsive FACT network to provide vital links for rural hamlets and villages not directly served by the bus network, recognising the key role that such links play in connecting our communities.

- 3.168 We will also work to ensure that it is easier for passengers to make journeys involving a combination of bus, rail and/or demand-responsive services. New rural travel hubs will offer improved interchange between transport modes, acting as a gateway to our public transport network, combined with better integrated ticketing and timetabled connections. This will help ensure that our residents can travel easily to destinations without having to rely on a car, and will simultaneously reduce pressure on our highway network.
- 3.169 New, high-quality walking and cycling infrastructure – focused around new development in Wisbech and along upgraded highway corridors – will help to make active travel a safer and more attractive option for local journeys. Moreover, we will seek opportunities to improve interchange between public transport and active modes, particularly for short-distance journeys within and between Fenland market towns and villages.
- 3.170 More journeys on foot and by bike will help to alleviate traffic congestion and improve air quality, whilst allowing those without access to a car – such as teenage children – more independence and opportunity to travel. Continued support for electric vehicles, in partnership with local districts and national government, will help to tackle carbon emissions and improve local air quality.
- 3.171 Our detailed plans and projects to deliver this strategy are summarised in Figure 3.5.

Figure 3.5 Summary of key projects in Fenland



## Strategic projects

### East / West Corridor

- 3.172 The A47 is both a nationally and internationally strategic link. Internationally, it is part of the TEN-T Trans European Network Route, making it a part of the European Union's strategic transport network. Nationally, it is a key route into East Anglia, connects Norwich and Norfolk with the East Midlands and the A1, and carries a large amount of heavy goods traffic.
- 3.173 On a more local scale, the section of the A47 within the Combined Authority area provides direct access between Peterborough, Wisbech and Kings Lynn. Beyond these settlements, the area is lowly populated and is largely agricultural. Consequently, the A47 is a key commuter route for people travelling into and out of these settlements for employment.
- 3.174 The long-distance regional trips (and particularly heavy good vehicles) generate a consistent flow of traffic along the route, and when this is mixed with commuter traffic the local network comes under substantial strain and congestion is common, particularly on the approaches to key junctions such as the A47 / A141 Guyhirn Roundabout and the A47 / A1101 Elm High Road Roundabout. The high proportion of heavy goods vehicles travelling along the single carriageway section between Thorney and Wisbech often creates queues of platooning vehicles unable to safely overtake, which reduces journey time reliability and can lead to increased driver frustration and risk taking.
- 3.175 To address these issues, the Combined Authority is working in partnership with Highways England to assess the viability of the A47 dualling/capacity improvements proposal between the A16 Peterborough and Walton Highway.

## Wisbech Rail

- 3.176 Construction of a new link to Wisbech will transform accessibility to the town. Options for rail and other high order transit such as tram/Light Rail Transit and Bus Rapid Transit are being considered by the Combined Authority and Cambridgeshire County Council, working closely with Network Rail and Fenland District Council. Residents and businesses in Wisbech would benefit from being able to reach Cambridge directly, connecting them to the opportunities within Greater Cambridge, including well-paid, skilled roles in the knowledge economy, and education and training opportunities at The University of Cambridge, Anglia Ruskin University and Cambridge Regional College. It will also play a key role in supporting the ambition for Wisbech Garden Town, helping to secure the viability and delivery of additional development.

## Local projects

- 3.177 Plans to re-open the March to Wisbech rail line will be complemented by bus, walk and cycle, and road improvements in Wisbech to help realise the ambition and plans for a Garden Town. Funding has been secured from the Greater Cambridge Greater Peterborough Growth Deal to deliver this package over the next five years.
- 3.178 A package is also planned for enhancements to railway stations within Fenland – Manea, March, and Whittlesey. Short platform lengths currently prevent longer, higher capacity trains from calling at the stations, as well as reducing the frequency of trains able to stop. In addition to platform lengthening, we will fund station enhancements to improve the quality of station and waiting facilities, as well as improving access to, from and at the stations.

## References

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37. The average house price to earnings ratio in the city of Cambridge is 13. In the Greater Cambridge area, which also includes South Cambridgeshire, the average is 12.
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40. Huntingdonshire’s Local Plan to 2036: Proposed Submission 2017 (Huntingdonshire District Council, 2018)
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42. Population estimates - local authority based by single year of age (Office for National Statistics, 2019)
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Our Against Scams Partnership urges you to follow these **5 quick-win** steps which will **increase the resilience** of your residents against scams and fraud.

1. **All councillors to become a 'Friend Against Scams'** by completing the 20 minute 'express' training at [www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/elearning/Cambridgeshire](http://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/elearning/Cambridgeshire)
2. **Print and display scams awareness posters** on parish noticeboards and in key locations such as your village or town hall, schools, churches, pubs and post office.
3. **Promote the easy online Friends Against Scams training across your community** by including the online learning link on your parish council website, community Facebook page and in your local newsletters.
4. **Identify a local ScamChampion or Champions** to spread the word on how to spot a scam. This could include having a display of information, running their own Friends Against Scams training session, holding a drop-in advice session or anything else that you can think of.
5. **Distribute scams awareness materials to the most vulnerable members of your community** and those who cannot access the internet. Perhaps your ScamChampion could hand deliver leaflets, hand out information at coffee mornings or give it to the organisers of local community groups and local churches to share with their members.

We told you it was simple! If you have any questions, would like to discuss any of the suggested steps above or suggest other ways you can support, please do not hesitate to contact us. We'd love to hear from you.

Anyone completing the training is eligible for a free Friends Against Scams pin badge – contact [charlotte.homent@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:charlotte.homent@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

NatWest Community Bankers offer a face-to-face Friends Against Scams training session. Contact [bernadette.merry@natwest.com](mailto:bernadette.merry@natwest.com) (Cambridgeshire) or [mohammad.chauhan@natwest.com](mailto:mohammad.chauhan@natwest.com) (Peterborough) to arrange or for more details.

# **Christchurch Community Centre**

## **Plan B**

The Recreation Ground belongs to the Recreation Ground charity and is held for them by the Parish Council as holding trustee. Since the Community Centre opened in 2016, the day-to-day management of the Community Centre has been undertaken by the Recreation Ground charity. The Recreation Ground currently generates no income and last year cost over £3,500 to maintain. The potential for income generation from a public open space is limited and expenditure can be difficult to predict. Whilst the Community Centre is currently generating an annual surplus from its operations, taking on the financial liability for the Recreation Ground would threaten its future viability.

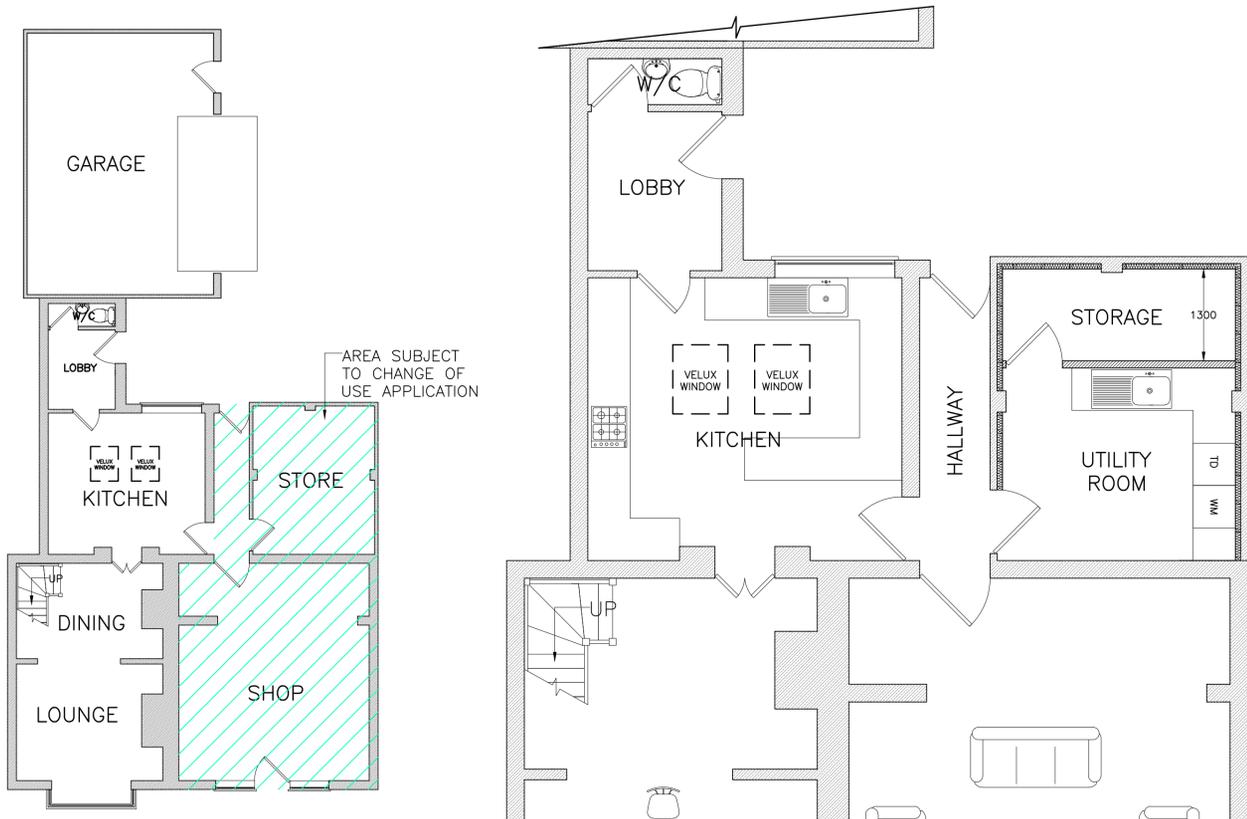
The plan is to transfer responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Recreation Ground to the Parish Council, leaving the Recreation Ground charity to manage the Community Centre.

The governing documents of the Recreation Ground charity are, at best, confusing and this process will provide an opportunity to replace all of the existing documents with a single modern governing document, providing greater protection for individual trustees.

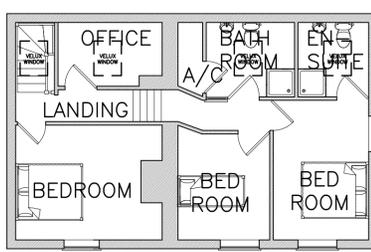
In order to achieve this, the following steps will be necessary or prudent:-

- i. The creation of a new Charitable Incorporated Organisation to replace the existing Recreation Ground charity, followed by the closure of the existing charity.
- ii. The adoption of a new name to reflect the current and future roles of the charity. "Christchurch Community Centre & Recreation Ground" is suggested.
- iii. The opening of a new charity bank account for the new organisation and the closure of the existing account.
- iv. The signing of a lease from the charity to the Parish Council for the Recreation Ground, giving the Council full legal and financial responsibility for maintenance, improvements, inspection and insurance. An initial duration of 25 years is suggested.
- v. The signing of a lease from the Parish Council to the charity for the Community Centre, giving the charity the responsibility for the operation of the Centre. Terms to be agreed.
- vi. The updating of Land Registry records to reflect the new arrangements.

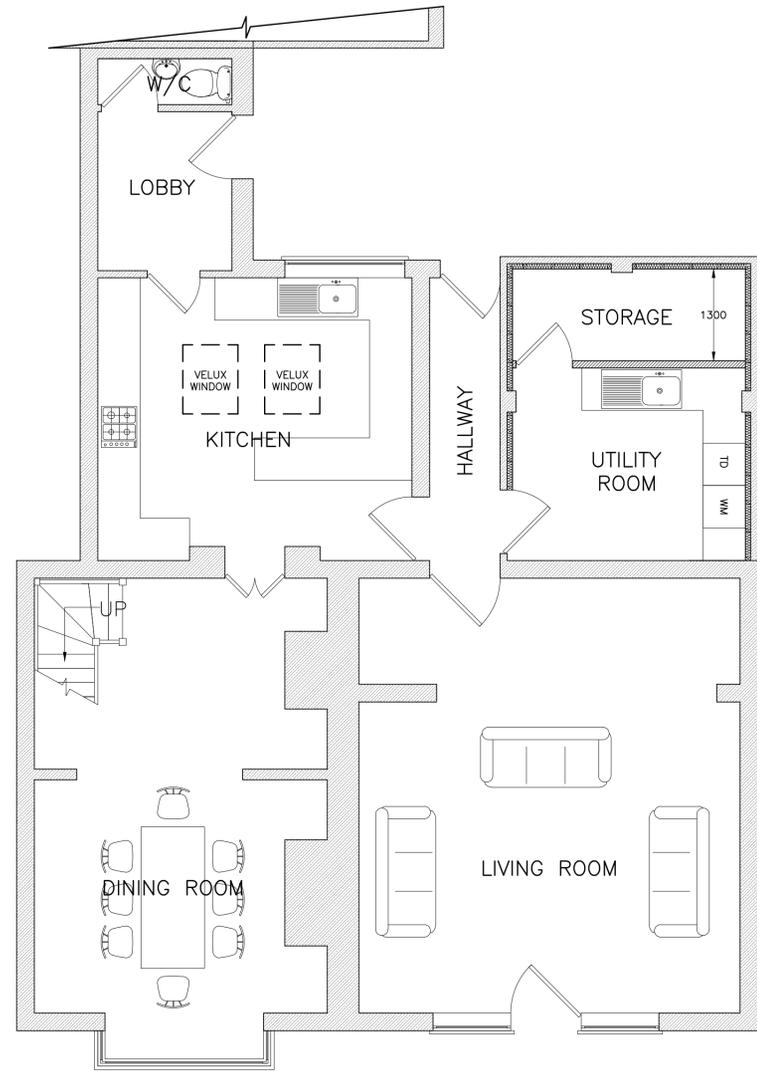
These arrangements will require the approval of the Parish Council and the Recreation Ground charity.



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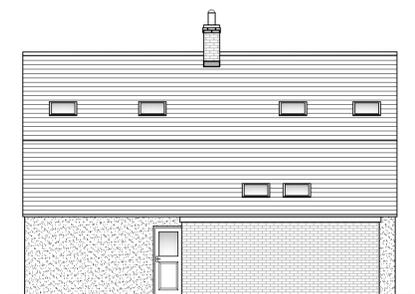
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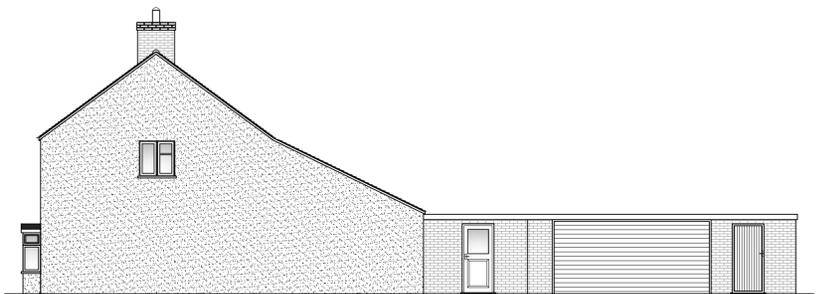
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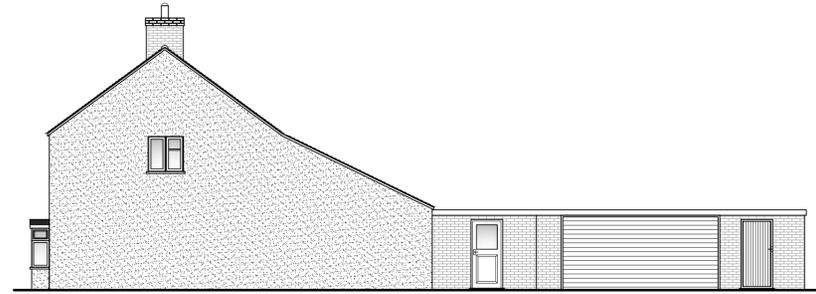
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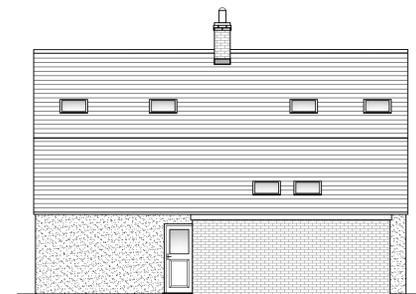
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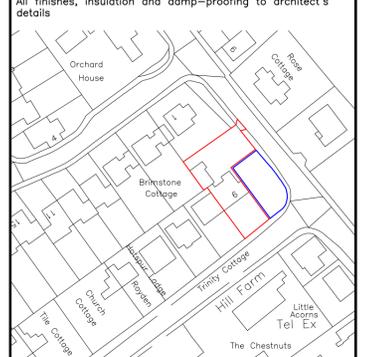
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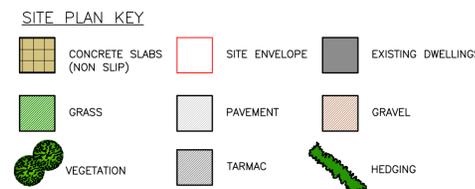
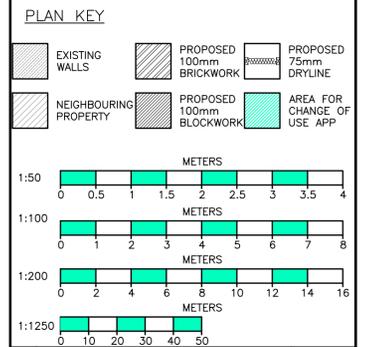
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## Christchurch Parish Council - Receipts & Payments Summary as at 31.8.19

Income	August	Year to Date	Budget
FDC Precept	-	£ 6,375.00	£ 6,375.00
FDC Concurrent Functions Grant	-	£ 1,833.00	£ 917.00
Allotment Rents	-	£ -	£ 382.50
Allotment Rates	-	£ -	£ -
Community Centre	-	£ -	£ -
Grants	-	£ -	£ -
Donations	-	£ -	£ -
Recycling Credits	-	£ -	£ -
Bank Interest	-	£ 15.00	£ 15.00
VAT Refunds	-	£ -	£ -
Miscellaneous	-	£ 156.00	£ -
<b>Total Income</b>	-	<b>£ 8,379.00</b>	<b>£ 7,689.50</b>

### Expenditure

Clerk's Salary	£ -	£ 1,383.88	£ 1,729.85
Fees	£ -	£ 150.00	£ 150.00
Subscriptions	£ -	£ 380.81	£ 380.81
Admin Expenses	£ -	£ 50.39	£ 50.00
Insurance	£ -	£ -	£ -
Drainage Rates	£ -	£ 74.06	£ -
Recreation Ground	£ -	£ 540.00	£ 2,000.00
Churchyard	£ -	£ 2,144.00	£ 122.50
Community Centre	£ -	£ -	£ -
Street Lights	£ -	£ 1,619.70	£ 574.76
Section 137 Payments	£ -	£ 129.69	£ -
LHI Projects	£ -	£ 4,381.41	£ 3,300.00
Recoverable VAT	£ -	£ 1,552.98	£ -
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ 12,406.92</b>	<b>£ 8,307.92</b>

### Summary

Total Income	£ -	£ 8,379.00
LESS Total Expenditure	£ -	£ 12,406.92
<b>Net Surplus or Deficit</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>-£ 4,027.92</b>

### Balance Sheet

Balance B/fwd	£ 50,331.56
Surplus or Deficit	-£ 4,027.92
<b>Balance C/fwd</b>	<b>£ 46,303.64</b>

### Represented by

Barclays Community Account	£ 16,204.27
Barclays Business Premium Account	£ 30,099.37
Cash / Cheques	£ -
	<b>£ 46,303.64</b>