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Date: 18/08/2026

Time: 7:30pm

Location: Mandeville

Membership

Geraldine Tate (Chair)	Hazel Barber
Liz Swift (Vice Chair)	Pat Cleary
Jim Perry	Yemi Macaulay
Paul Webb	Ryan Noyes
Brenda Wilson	Ben Vinten

Present

Cllr Liz Swift (Chair), Lea Dodds, Cllr Hazel Barber, Cllr Jim Perry, Cllr Pat Cleary, Cllr Ryan Noyes and Cllr Ben Vinten.

CSHS/180826/1 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Geraldine Tate, Cllr Paul Webb and Cllr John Damian.

CSHS/180826/2 Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 June 2026 were approved.

CSHS/180826/3 Matters Arising

It was noted that wording is still required from Julie Clarke regarding the process for escalating speeding concerns.

CSHS/180826/4 Community

a) Community Group Updates

- The recent waste event (organised by the CBP forum) had not been as well attended as hoped. It was agreed that future events should avoid Mondays and school summer holiday periods. The Library of Ideas initiative was briefly discussed and will be discussed at the Land, Building and Facilities meeting.
- The next Repair Café will take place on 4 October 2026.
- The Swish event is scheduled for 18 October 2026.
- Carnival is planned for 3 July 2027.
- Pauline's Swamp open day will take place on 6 September 2026.

b) Events

The Clerk reminded Councillors of arrangements for forthcoming community events including:

- a) Remembrance Sunday on 8th November. Pat Cleary is working on creating the Poppy Remembrance wall and has circa 900 poppies so far.
- b) The Christmas event (Carols at Gardener Memorial Hall) scheduled for Friday 18 December 2026.

c) Affordable Housing

The Clerk gave the following update from Gary Roffey at Cambridgeshire ACRE who will be attending the next meeting:

"Following on from the below we did some work looking at sites around Burwell which might be suitable for a small rural exception site (these are sites where a local connection agreement can be put in place so that local households are prioritised for the homes).

We made our housing association partners aware that there are sites which could potentially be suitable for a rural exception site and Accent (one of our partner housing associations) have come back expressing an interest in working with the Parish Council and ourselves to explore the options further. If a suitable site was identified then we would look to carry out a Housing Needs Survey to confirm the level of need in the Parish.

I agreed with Accent that I would contact the Parish Council to see if any of the sites which seem to have potential might be supported by the Parish Council. Local knowledge is crucial to this process and as previously mentioned we will only work on facilitating a scheme that has local support. This is still all at a very early stage and we have not contacted any landowners".

a) Local Highways Improvement Initiatives (approved and proposed)

2025/26: Flashing signs near the school (successful). Cambridgeshire County Council Highways had advised that design work is expected to take place between August and September. The Parish Council has continued to pursue updates on progress.

2026/27: an application had been submitted for improvements to the Pound Hill crossing. A decision on funding is expected at the Cambridgeshire County Council Highways & Transportation Committee meeting on 6 October 2026.

2027/28: Potential Application It was agreed that potential future Local Highways Improvement projects would be reviewed. A meeting with Carole Hutton from Highways is scheduled for 2 September 2026 to discuss possible projects and further suggestions. Projects mentioned were speeding initiatives for Swaffham Road, Zebra Crossing (nr Swaffham Rd/High Street/Isaacson), Double yellow lines in various locations, Weirs Drove/Hythe Lane junction and Dysons Drove/High St junction.

b) Weirs Drove Quiet Lanes Proposal

Hazel Barber introduced the Cambridgeshire County Council Quiet Lanes initiative, which aims to make suitable rural roads safer and more pleasant for walking, wheeling, cycling and horse riding while maintaining motor vehicle access.

Potential measures include:

- Lower or advisory speed limits.
- Quiet Lane signage.
- Traffic-calming features.
- Landscaping and surface treatments to encourage lower vehicle speeds.

Resolved: To recommend to Full Council that the Parish Council pursue a Quiet Lanes initiative for Weirs Drove. Katherine Hyett and Hazel Barber to contact Active Travel to commence this work.

Speedwatch

Councillors agreed that more should be done to publicise local Speedwatch activity and outcomes to residents.

c) Community Safety Meeting

Liz Swift updated that she was showing East Cambs venues for the community safety meeting which is likely to happen in November at the earliest, this will not be focussed on road safety.

Invitations should be extended to:

- Parish Councillors.
- District and County Councillors.
- Local schools.
- Other relevant stakeholders such as the Neighbourhood Watch.

The Clerk stated that the Community Safety Partnership would be responsible for:

- Providing a panel of appropriate professionals.
- Assisting with advertising the event.
- Supporting and monitoring any resulting three-month action plan.

Battery Safety

The group briefly discussed safety concerns relating to batteries and whether this sits in the CBP forum or this group.

CSHS/180826/6 Health and Wellbeing

Web page

The Clerk has updated that there is some progress with a Health and Wellbeing web page.

Defibrillator Funding Application

It was noted that the Football Club is applying for funding for a defibrillator at the recreation ground and that Katherine Hyett had submitted the application for a defibrillator at Gardiner Memorial Hall.

CSHS/180826/7 Sport

Newmarket Road Sports Hub

An update on the Newmarket Road Sports Hub project was given.

It was reported that:

- A meeting had taken place the previous week.

- A letter is awaited from the Football Club.
- Discussions were progressing more positively.

CSHS/180826/8 Donation Requests

There were no donation requests for consideration.

CSHS/180826/9 Any Other Business

Burwell Action for Youth (BAFY): the Connexions Bus service has now ceased. A meeting is planned to be arranged between the Sports Centre Manager, BAFY representatives and Lizzie Houghton.

CSHS/180826/10 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Community, Safety, Health & Sport Committee will be held on 6 October 2026.

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