

Burwell Parish Council
Finance and General Purposes

Minutes of the meeting held on 27th September 2022 at Gardiner Memorial Hall

Present: Hazel Williams (chair), Liz Swift, Michael Swift, Yvonne Rix (Clerk and RFO)

F&GP/27092022/01 Apologies for absences and declarations of interests

Apologies for absence had been received from Joan Lonsdale, Gus Jones, Brenda Wilson, Paul Webb, and Ian Woodrooffe. There were no declarations of interest.

F&GP/27092022/02 Approval of the minutes of the meeting of 26th July 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th July 2022 were approved. The Clerk reported that she had found someone who could carry out the property rebuild valuations. It was agreed that a quotation should be sought to value the rebuild costs for the Pavilion, Cemetery Chapel, the Gardiner Memorial Hall, Mandeville Hall, and the Jubilee Reading Room. Michael Swift to discuss with the Pauline's Swamp Trustees if the barn should be insured and if a bench should be purchased to replace the one destroyed by fire. The insurance company has paid £234.13 towards the cost of a new bench.

F&GP/27092022/03 Consideration of the Action Sheet

The following updates were noted:

PROJECT	INFORMATION AND UPDATES
Local Council Risk System	Work in progress
CCLA Investment	Funds at 31.08.22 £101,614.20

F&GP/27092022/04 Draft Report for the Quarter Ended 30th September 2022 and the current financial position of the Council

Yvonne Rix gave the following report and figures within the report were noted:

Finance Report as at 26th September 2022

Unity Bank Balance at 26.9.2022	£205,145.22
Less payments approved still to be paid	<u>£ 5,599.25</u>
Balance	£199,545.97
CCLA Balance at 31.08.2022	<u>£101,614.20</u>
Total Council Funds	<u>£301,160.17</u>

Notes:

The following should be noted:

1. Around £56,000 is still payable for the first phase of the Gardiner Memorial Hall Project.
2. All Grant funding from Amey, Cambridgeshire County Council and East Cambs District Council has now been received.
3. The second Precept payment of £91,801.00 is due to be received at the end of September/beginning of October.

Income

Cemetery income on target

Gardiner Memorial Hall – Average income over first 10 weeks of opening is £143.00 per week. This is just under budgeted pro rata income of £154.00 per week

Mandeville Hall – Received £13,616.12 of the annual expected budget of £14,000. It should be noted that the income received includes payments from hirers temporary use of Mandeville Hall during the GMH refurbishment and was also based on the unknown effect of Covid on this financial year.

BAFY are now using Mandeville Hall, but the Scouts have reduced their usage.
Allotment rents due in October/November.

Expenditure

To be reported when full quarter results are available.

F&GP/27092022/05 Internal Audit (Charge increase) External Audit (Report if received) Option to opt out of the SAAA central external auditor appointment arrangements

The Group noted that the Internal Audit charge would be increasing by 7.5% as a result of inflation.

The annual External Audit had been completed with no matters being raised as a concern.

There is an opportunity to opt out of the Smaller Authorities Audit Arrangements for carrying out the External Audit in future years. It was agreed that this opportunity should not be taken.

F&GP/27092022/06 Use of Margaret Field for Parking for Cricket Club Fireworks 5.11.22

The Cricket Club has asked if it would be possible for Margaret Field to be used as a car Park for those attending the Firework evening on 5th November 2022. It was agreed that the field could be used with the following conditions:

- If the period leading up to the event is wet causing the ground to be soft and muddy, the field will not be able to be used, and the Cricket Club will be responsible for finding alternative parking space.
- Organisers should prevent vehicles from parking or driving over the football pitches at all times. It may be necessary to cordon the area off.
- Any damaged caused as a result of the Cricket Club using the field for parking must be repaired immediately as the field is now in regular use by the Football Club.

F&GP/27092022/07 Repair Café Additional Funding

The Repair Café may need some additional funding to support the setting up of the café. They have already been allocated £200.00. It was agreed that a further £100.00 could be made available if required.

F&GP/27092022/08 GMH Operating Schedule and Hiring Agreement

The group considered the possible amendments required. The Clerk to amend the Hiring Agreement as agreed by the group. The Hiring Agreement for Mandeville Hall should also be reviewed.

F&GP/27092022/09 Five Year Plan Update

The Clerk reported that she had updated the first part of the plan as agreed on the Strategy Day and was now waiting for the end of quarter figures to amend the financial aspect of the plan.

F&GP/27092022/10 Any other matters and matters for discussion at the next Meeting:

Remembrance Sunday

Yvonne Rix informed the group that she will not be available to attend this year's Remembrance Day event at the Memorial. She normally is responsible for the smooth running of the event. Ideally one of the Councillors needs to volunteer to cover this role.

Christmas Tree Budget

The Group agreed that up to £300 could be spent on the provision of a Christmas Tree for Pound Hill this year. The Clerk to arrange.

Arts East Production

Paul Webb has said that he would like to see a village Entertainments Committee convened and for three film nights to be arranged at the Gardiner Memorial Hall before Christmas taking advantage of the benefits provided by Arts East. The Group raised concerns about the timescales involved in organising this and that the Entertainments Committee which must not be part of the Parish Council needs to be set up in the first instance. The hall would need to be hired by the Entertainment Committee in the same manner as when is hired by other organisations.

Other Matters

Yvonne Rix explained that there is an issue with the large crash mat belonging to Judo which is currently stored on top of the Judo mats blocking access to the electrical board. A list of training sessions has been issued by CAPALC. Yvonne Rix to circulate to all Councillors highlighting the sessions which may be relevant to the new Councillors. Martyn Wright is now getting the chairs out of the cupboard for WI. The members are being asked to leave the chairs, stacked in piles of 4 in front of the servery for him to put away at the end of the session.

Funding is available to upgrade public toilets into accessible changing places. It was agreed not to pursue this at this point in time.

There have been issues with the external lights at the Gardiner Memorial Hall as they have not been coming on automatically at the correct times. This has also meant that the keyholders have no lights when they enter and exit the building. The keyholder has worked through the settings for the lighting today and believes that she may now have managed to set correctly. Hopefully this should resolve the issues but will need to be checked over the next couple of evenings to confirm.

Bafy is now using Mandeville Hall (rooms 2 and 3) on a Tuesday evening for three hours. It was agreed that they should be charged £8.00 per hour (the same as Guiding and Scouting) until the end of the financial year, following which the payment will be reviewed.

For next discussion and review at the November Meeting:

- Review of the Financial Regulations
- Review of the Risk Management Policy
- Review of the Direct Debits
- Review of the Safeguarding of Funds
- Review of Internal Controls
- Review of all Council Policies
- Review of Standing Orders
- Precept/Budget

F&GP/27092022/10 Date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 29th November 2022 following Full Council.

Signed

Dated

Burwell Parish Council

Safety Group Meeting - 20th September 2022

Present: Paul Webb (Chair), Lea Dodds, Gill Miller, Geraldine Tate, and Brenda Wilson.

1.Apologies Apologies for absence had been received from Helen McMenamin-Smith, Jim Perry, and Liz Swift.

Paul Webb started the meeting by handing out an update document (see below) for the Safety Campaign for members to note:

Area with objectives	Component	Actioned	Comments	Action
SPEEDING Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce numbers speeding by 10% • Reduce overall speeding by 5% 	MVAS Signs	One sign has been deployed – Newmarket Road and Data has been collected but not analysed. Two signs have been returned to Westcotec to have additional software for data collection added (paid for by CCC). Since being returned to PC there has been issues with getting Bluetooth connection with the units. One unit has had Nitrate and Particle monitor added. The two signs were deployed on 22.7.2022 with Bluetooth issues still occurring.		
	Speedwatch	Speed watch sessions have taken place since the beginning of the campaign.	Results submitted to Police as per policy	Future additional sessions are to be organised by the village Speed watch Coordinator.
	Working with Highways	LHII – Flashing speed signs on approach to school Ness Road/The Causeway – Application withdrawn but further consideration and discussion to be had with Highways to ascertain if it is worth re submitting. PFI – Buntings Path. Survey paid for. Highways awaiting go ahead following a meeting with James Toombs (CCC Highways). Need to consider PFI or 20 mph speed limit. LHI – Buffer Zones. Installed on all three roads week commencing 5 th September 2022. Item advertising changes on Burwell Facebook Community Page 7 th September 2022		
	20's Plenty	Launched at Burwell at Large on 19 th and 20 th March 2022. 70 people signed the Pledge Sheet and Ribbons. Pencils, car stickers and leaflets handed out to residents.		



Safety Campaign and 20's Plenty details on display at the Annual Parish Meeting on 3rd May – This event was not well attended.

Leaflet on the Safety Campaign and the Speed element delivered to all residencies in the village via Clunch.

Two tables for 20's Plenty outside the front of the Co-op in North Street. Some additional names added to the Pledge Sheet.

Various information posters put on Facebook. Some interesting comments and useful feedback from the community. (Print outs available). Some misunderstanding with people thinking that this is a proposal to change the speed limit through the village.

Stand at Burwell Carnival on 25th June 2022.

Posters and leaflets on and around the bar.

Speed Packs delivered to local businesses asking that they support the campaign.

Campaign details sent to area Federation of Small Businesses.

Involvement and support of the East Cambs Community Safety Partnership and Vision Zero for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

Need to consider LHI to introduce 20 mph zones within the village

Reducing of Nitric Oxide and Particulate Matter Reduction

Monitoring Unit fitted to MVAS sign June 2022.

Need to find out if data is available via Westcot ec Website

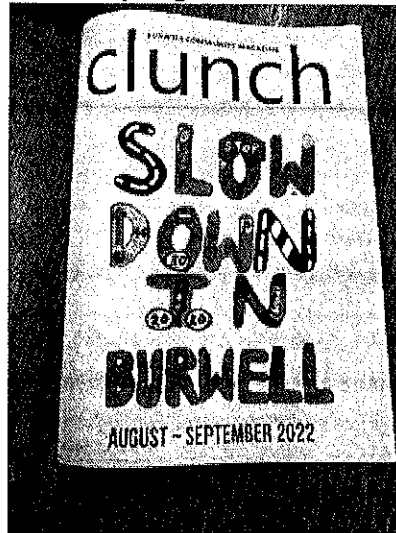
Schools/Parents

Burwell Village College (Primary) School pupils encouraged to enter a poster for speed reduction. Disappointed that only 9 entries received. Prizes supplied by Moons Toy Shop, City Cycle Centre in Ely, and Townsend's in Cambridge. Winners

announced at Burwell Carnival. Some of the entries below:



Winning poster used as front-page cover of the August/September 2022 Edition of the Burwell Community Magazine Clunch.



Speed/20's Plenty Activity Packs going to Burwell Guiding Units week commencing 12th September 2022.

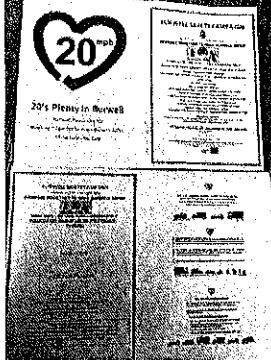
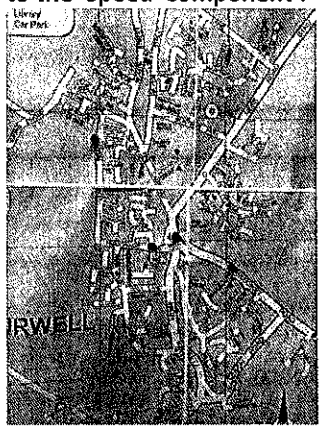
Community

Speed/20's Plenty Activity Packs going to Burwell Guiding Units week commencing 12th September 2022. Stands (two Saturdays) in front of the Co-op North Street during June/July. Safety Campaign Board on display in the foyer at the Gardiner Memorial Hall.

Parking OBJECTIVE

- Promote more appropriate parking
- Greater adherence to Highway Code rules

Leaflet included in the August September Issue of Clunch asking residents to report parking concerns.

<p>for parking</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducti on in the number of parking issues made to the Parish Council 		 <p>Forms for notifying the Council of Parking concerns also available at the Family Fun Day on September 3rd, 2022. Also available items relating to the 'Speed' component'.</p>  <p>The red pins show where the two forms received to date (13.9.22) indicate that there are parking issues. These are (1) at the bottom of Low Road/Casburn Lane and (2) Parsonage Lane. The blue pins indicate concerns about traffic speed along Newmarket Road and visibility at the zebra crossing opposite the Post Office.</p>		
<p>CYCLING OBJECTIVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote Cycling 	<p>Now 4th Quarter Campaign</p>			
<p>PERSONAL SAFETY OBJECTIVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting Personal Safety 	<p>Now 3rd Quarter Campaign to be launched a village Community Meeting Emma Brown 5/10/22</p>	<p>9 Councillors and 2 staff members who attended the Council's Strategy Day on 6th July 2022 completed East Cambridgeshire Community Safety Partnership Eyes and Ears Training. 1 further Councillor has also completed the training at a later date.</p> <p>Burwell Community Meeting to be held on 5th October 2022 7pm at the Gardiner Memorial Hall.</p>		

Campaign Expenditure to date £2607 15/10/22

2. Update on Buntings Path

Paul Webb explained that he had met with James Toombs, Highways, to discuss the Speed reduction signs for Buntings Path. The Council has £5,000 CIL funding set aside for this. However, the cost is now more likely to be in the region of £9,000 - £10,000, but work could start in November 2022. He continued to explain that James Toombs had expressed that should the Council decide to bid for an LHI Scheme to introduce 20 mile per hour zones in the village and Buntings Path was one of the areas and were successful with the bid, then these signs would need to be removed incurring further costs. Paul Webb explained that the County Council is looking more favourable towards 20 mph zones. The group understood the implications and generally felt that it would be worthwhile to consider applying for LHI funding to reduce the speed to 20 mph in certain areas in the village and not go ahead with the signs. It was noted that it would be necessary to go back to Council for the earmarked CIL Funding of £5000 for the Bunting Path Speed Sign to be reallocated towards the cost of 20 mph zones. It was felt that the use of the funds would still meet the criteria for the use of CIL funding.

The Group then discussed possible options for a 20 mile per hour scheme and whether it would be more suitable to apply for specific roads or better for a village wide scheme. It is likely that a Feasibility Study would need to be carried out by Highways and the Parish Council will be responsible for the cost. The Buntings Path Group are not likely to be pleased with the signs not being installed, but a letter, giving the reason for the change, could be delivered to all houses in the road.

Paul Webb believes that the deadline for the current LHI round is the 31st of October 2022, but the Clerk has asked for confirmation of this. The Group agreed that a request should be made to Full Council for permission to submit a LHI application either for this round or the next round to introduce 20 mph zone(s) in Burwell. Discussion will need to be had at some point with Highways over if it is best for individual road zones (these would include Buntings Path) or a village wide speed restriction.

The Safety Group recommends to Full Council that an application for LHI Funding is submitted for the introduction of 20 mile per hour Zone(s) in Burwell with Burwell Parish Council contributing up to 50% of the cost, subject to total costs being confirmed.

The Safety Group recommends that should an application be successful for the funding of 20 mph zone(s) then the earmarked CIL funding of £5,000 is reallocated to the Parish Council contribution towards the scheme.

20's Plenty/LHII/Bin Stickers

It was noted that the Buffer Zones at the main entrances to the village have now been installed. Paul Webb reported that he thought that each road should also have some count down markers. The Clerk to check this out.

It was agreed that the cost should be sought to purchase 2000 generic '20's Plenty' bin stickers from 20'sPlenty.org. It would be good to have these available at the Community Meeting on 5th October 2022. The bin stickers would need to be delivered by hand to the residents in the main streets in Burwell.

Costs to make the winning poster into signs need to be sought. Gill Miller and the Clerk to do this. Signs in the first instance need to be put up on the main routes to school.

Safety Campaign Phase 3 – Personal Safety

Due to the Community Meeting being held on 5th October 2022, Paul Webb suggested that it would be beneficial to swap Phase 3 and 4 around. The Group agreed that this seems to be sensible.

In readiness for Phase 4, which will launch in the new year, Paul Webb asked Gill Miller to find out what resources etc are available through the County Council Road Safety Team.

He then asked Geraldine Tate, Brenda Wilson, and Lea Dodds to look at organisations that they consider should be included as links on the Council's website for personal safety. This needs to be done as soon as possible.

A four-page leaflet needs to be designed for the Personal Safety part of the campaign for the December/January issue of Clunch. As this will be a change to the original submission schedule agreed with Clunch, the Clerk will need to check if this will be possible.

Setting up Safe Places, Sister Safe, Brother Safe, and the Ears and Eyes Scheme need further discussion. Gill Miller to find out if Bottisham Village College Primary School will be involved in the Junior Ears and Eyes scheme. She will also speak to the head about attending the Community Meeting on 5th October 2022.

It was agreed that a further meeting to discuss Phase 3 and complete the application for the LHI should be held on Thursday 13th October starting at 11am (Jubilee Reading Room).

Lea Dodds reported that he had spoken to the contractors regarding the Sports Centre carpark, and it is not possible to create a dedicated walking route as the car park width is about 1m too narrow. Strong barrier posts are due to be erected between the car park and the Sports Centre.

Gill Miller reported that the Alley between North Street and Silver Street has been resurfaced and dog fouling has decreased. She raised concerns about the danger of the neighbouring brick wall and agreed to send photos into the Clerk.

The date of next scheduled Safety Group Meeting is 15th November 2022, 7.30 pm at the Jubilee Reading Room.

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

Signed

Dated

Climate Change Forum

6th September 2022, 7.30 pm

At Gardiner Memorial Hall, High Street, Burwell

Minutes

Present: Jenny Moss (Chair), Ian Woodroofe, Brenda Wilson, Jim Perry, Geraldine Tate, Nicola Hallows (Wild Burwell), Rachel O'Leary (Spring Close), Peter Lancaster (Burwell Environment Group), Yvonne Rix (Clerk)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Liz Swift, Michael Swift, Paul Webb, Lea Dodds, and Gill Miller.

2. Approval of the minutes of 2nd August 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd August 2022 were approved with the following being noted: That it was Martin O'Leary who was due to report back to Wild Burwell about the request for suitable trees which could be planted, not Rachel O'Leary. The approval of the minutes was proposed by Ian Woodroofe and seconded by Jim Perry.

3. Climate Change Action Sheet – Consideration of items and updates to the Climate Change Action Sheet

The following updates were discussed and noted:

Item	Action Required	Person/Status
Climate Action Policy	Does this need reviewing?	Paul and Jenny to update
Energy usage and sources	Assess Mandeville Hall – ask F&GP for £577+ £200 for JRR	The Group recommends to Full Council that the Carbon Footprint of the Mandeville Hall and Jubilee Reading Room should be carried out. The cost will be £777.00 for both properties. The cost of the survey to be taken from the £5000 earmarked for Climate Change in the 2022/2023 budget. Clerk to check that suggestions and recommendations to lessen the Carbon Footprint of each building is included in the cost.
Transport and travel	EV Charging Points Cycle paths	Gill to contact ECDC re. EV charging points Work with East Cambs CAN No further update
Agriculture and food	Government grants	Jenny Moss reported that she has emailed NFU and is awaiting a response but has still to email Lucy Frazer QC MP. Nicola Hallows thanked Jenny Moss for the time spent on sending emails on the Forums behalf.
Housing and infrastructure	Focus on the need for new builds to be carbon neutral Neighbourhood Plan	Jenny Moss reported that she is still waiting for a response from Vistry regarding the Newmarket Road Development. She will resend her previous correspondence and ask for a response again. Ian Woodroofe has provided information about gas pressures and in particular, low gas pressures and the issues that this can cause. Jenny Moss to challenge Vistry over the use of gas boilers and low-pressure issues once a response has been received back from Vistry.
Local business	Write letter	Brenda Wilson has drafted a letter to the businesses. Jenny Moss to review.

<p>Waste and resources</p>	<p>Promote recycling/upcycling Water refill stations Repair Cafe Textile industry</p>	<p>Yvonne Rix informed the Forum that quotes have been requested to install water refill stations at Mandeville Hall, Jubilee Reading Room, and the Gardiner Memorial Hall. However, it had been explained to her by one of the contractors that there are extra regulations which must be adhered to for drinking water taps. The external water supply at the Recreation Ground is not suitable for drinking water as it does not meet the regulations. To be discussed further when quotations have been received.</p> <p>The first Repair Café session has been booked for 6th November between 10 am and 1 pm at the Gardiner Memorial Hall. A Steering Group has been set up. There are now 21 people volunteering. Aiming to have a group of volunteers to organise and run the refreshment café and an admin volunteer group to deal with the paperwork etc. Hopefully someone will be willing to take on organising the repair area. Jenny Moss has managed to set up a booking form for members of the public to use. There are a number of volunteer repairers. Some way of vetting the volunteer repairers needs to be organised. It is hoped that the Repair Café will be self-funding through income from the refreshments and donations, but up to £200 has been allocated by the Parish Council for the initial set up costs. The group has joined the official Repair Café organisation. Tools are available to borrow from McKays in Cambridge at a cost of £20 per session. The group to source their own insurance and those using the repair café will need to sign a disclaimer form.</p>
<p>Environment and land use</p>	<p>Tree Planting and Maintenance (especially watering) Biodiversity</p>	<p>Grass management plan for 2023 – first draft completed by Nicola Hallows.</p> <p>A suggestion has been made that trees could be planted around the Avenue. As this will be on Highways land, Jenny Moss has asked the County Council if this would be okay, and they have agreed that trees could be planted. The existing trees are not in good condition. Kevin Drane ECDC Tree Officer is looking to carry out a site visit. Discussion needs to be held with Highways as to who would be responsible for the trees in the long term. Residents could be asked if they would be prepared to water the trees whilst they are establishing.</p> <p>The Tree Nursery currently has no trees ready for planting in public spaces, but some for planting in gardens may be available. November is a good time to plant trees.</p> <p>Jenny Moss reported that due to fire risk the hay cut at Spring Close was carried out earlier than planned. It was noted that Spring Close cannot accommodate any arisings from other areas in the village. Trulink has been asked to cut Priory Meadow when they are next in the village. Wild Burwell to be made aware when the cut is to take place.</p>

		Jim Perry reported that he had contacted the Woodland Trust and confirmed that the Woodland Trust is still responsible for looking after Priory Wood and list of the work that they carry out at Priory Wood is included on their website.
Village Survey	Question compilers needed	Jenny Moss suggested using google to carry out the survey as this would be cheaper than using Monkey Survey or distributing through Clunch. There needs to be a clear understanding of what is to be achieved by the survey and that for all questions asked, there is a plan in place to act on. BEG to compile the questions.
Green Open Day	Stall on 3 rd Sept	Unfortunately BEG did not have a stand at the Family Fun Day. However, both Wild Burwell and the Parish Council did.
Fossil Fuels	Publicly state support for divestment from fossil fuels	Work with east Cambs CAN Letter written to the Local Government Pension Scheme for approval by Full Council regarding the removal of investment of pension funds in fossil fuel activities – Recommendation to Full Council

4. Any Other Business

The subject of the Parish Council providing a home energy efficiency service for members of the community was raised, with Ian Woodroffe explaining that those carrying out the surveys would need to be accredited and asking what exactly were the intentions of the group? The Clerk informed the group that she did not believe that the Parish Council had the legal power to carry out this type of work, other than using the General Power of Competence, which the Council has adopted until the beginning of May 2023 as it currently meets all the criteria. She also considers that the Council may not have the necessary manpower to provide such a service. It may be better for the Council to signpost other organisations providing this service through the Council website.

Jenny Moss reported that she had received an email from East Cambs District Council regarding Warm Hubs. Geraldine Tate explained that the Day Centre is looking into being a Warm Hub over winter for the village.

Yvonne Rix announced that a Village Forum is due to be held on 5th October 6.30 pm for 7 pm start at the Gardiner Memorial Hall. The event will be advertised in more detail shortly.

Jenny Moss asked members of the forum to let her know of any new projects that should be considered by the group.

5. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 4th October 2022, starting at 7.30 pm at the Gardiner Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm

Signed

Dated

BURWELL PARISH COUNCIL
The Jubilee Reading Room
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Chairman: Mrs E Swift

Clerk: Mrs Y Rix

From: Burwell Parish Council

Date:

Dear (name if possible) and colleagues on Cambridgeshire County Council Pensions Committee,

We are glad to see that CCC Pension Fund has a strategy of reducing investments in fossil fuel companies. Please speed up this process urgently.

We note that 'The Fund will be developing a plan over the next 12 months (by December 2022) with interim milestones to achieve a net carbon neutral investment portfolio by 2050.'

Investment Strategy Statement CPF Dec 2021 Key Documents accessed here:

https://pensions.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/governance/key-documents/cambridgeshire/#CPF_Investments

By 2050 the climate crisis will have seriously and irreversibly damaged the living world, including our parish. Our residents are already experiencing drought, rising food costs and crop failures, unprecedented heat, and risk of wildfires. (Our fire service has been called out recently to field fires in our village.)

Since the CCCPF Strategy was developed, two new IPCC Reports (April and June 2022) show that the climate crisis is developing faster than predicted.

IPCC April report

<https://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar6/wg2/>

and clarification of the timings referred to in it

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-61110406>

IPCC June report:

<https://www.ipcc.ch/2022/>

The IPCC June report states: 'We are not on track to limit warming to 1.5 degrees C.' and '... these levels of warming are a threat to human wellbeing and the health of the planet and that the next few years offer a rapidly closing window to realize a sustainable, liveable future for all.'

Pension funds have huge sums of money invested in the fossil fuel industry which makes them complicit in driving the climate crisis. We therefore call for divestment of the Cambridgeshire Local Government Pension Fund away from fossil fuel companies and into sustainable investments.

Burwell Parish Council calls on Cambridgeshire County Council pension fund to continue and speed up to divestment from fossil fuel companies by updating your responsible investment policies:



- a. Freeze any new investment in the top 200 publicly-traded fossil fuel companies.
- b. Divest from direct ownership and any pooled funds that include fossil fuel public equities and corporate bonds
- c. Actively seek to invest in companies that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and minimise climate risk.

We note that your Investment Strategy includes use of investment managers who are willing and have capacity to engage with corporations not just by voting at AGMs but also through ongoing contact and using their influence. We ask that you use this influence to change the practices of any fossil-fuel-related corporations in which the fund remains invested, without allowing 'greenwash' to confuse reality.

Thank you for your attention. We look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely

Yvonne Rix
Parish Clerk

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