

# Girton Parish Council

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## Minutes of the meeting of Girton Parish Council held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 at St Vincent's Close Community Centre, Girton, at 7.30 p.m.

*Residents in the parish were invited to attend this meeting and to speak at Item 16/113.1*

**Present:** (Cllrs) H Williams (Chairman), Buckler, Bygott (from item 16/113.3 onwards), de Lacey, Godby, Griffin, M Taylor, Thorrold, Whittle and L Williams  
Cllr L Harford (Cambridgeshire County Council) (until end of item 16/116.5)

**In attendance:** S Cumming (Clerk)

**16/110 Welcome from the Chairman** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**16/111 Apologies and reasons for absence** Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Harrington and Kettle, and the Chairman accepted their reasons for absence. The Clerk had received notification from Cllr L Taylor that he wishes to resign from the Council.

**16/112 Members' declarations of interest for items on the agenda** Cllr Thorrold declared an interest in item 16/116.4 as a member of Club 55.

**16/113 Public Participation session on agenda items and matters of mutual interest:**

1. Members of the Public. There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

2. County Councillor's Report (*Appendix A*) Cllr Harford reported on the County Council Meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2016. The Chief Executive is to write to both the Clinical Commissioning Group and National Health Service regarding the desire to collaborate. There had also been a motion on grammar schools. Regarding the City Deal, there has been a board meeting with officers instructed to look at on road solution on Madingley Rise as well as the off road solution they seem to prefer. Cllr Harford was questioned why she is in favour of devolution. The vote by Councils is being deferred for a month. Cllr Harford considers it an opportunity and will give extra funding for much needed housing in South Cambs. There are huge opportunities to provide infrastructure providing we all work together. There are seven different councils, all with their own agenda. Cllr Harford is accepting of the elected mayor, providing this is a person who understands how Cambridgeshire works, and is looking forward to what this first stage might unlock.

Regarding the City Deal plans for Histon Road and Milton Road, it was questioned whether, during school term time, parents could use Park and Ride with children then using 'yellow buses' to school.

Cllr Bygott joined the meeting at this point.

3. District Councillors' Reports (*Appendix B*) Cllr de Lacey hopes that Girton Parish Council will be represented at the Parishes Conference. The Neighbourhood Plan will need lots of people's involvement if it is to be successful.

Cllr Bygott spoke of the Boundary Commission report. Madingley and Dry Drayton will be part of our ward. Both are small villages in the countryside similarly concerned about being swallowed up by the city, so we have lots in common.

Cllrs de Lacey and Bygott were thanked for their reports.

4. Police Report (*Appendix C*) It is a welcome development that PCSO Mani will be in the village more.

**16/114 To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2016 (previously circulated).** In item 16/100.2, the following amendment was suggested, "there had been no pre-application meeting, merely a

phonecall to Cambridgeshire Highways”, and the word 'so' be substituted for 'as'.  
With these amendments, the Minutes were proposed as a true record by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr de Lacey, and approved with two abstentions.

**16/115 Matters arising from the Minutes (for information only)**

16/104.3 UK Power Networks have been informed that foliage works may go ahead.

16/104.4 The thermostatic valves in the Pavilion showers were replaced on 6<sup>th</sup> October.

16/104.6 Girton Social Club have informed that a donation of £50 for the village Christmas Evening will be sent to them following approval of payments at the October GPC meeting.

16/104.7 The former Tree Officer has been informed that the commemorative plaque may be placed on the Hibbert Ware Garden oak tree.

Noted by the Council.

**16/116 Business items requiring a decision, or consideration by the Council.**

1. To approve two Parish Council members to sign documents for the transfer of land at Wellbrook Way from Taylor Wimpey and to Girton Town Charity. Land at Wellbrook Way has yet to be transferred from the developers to the Parish Council, and the Council now needs to transfer this to Girton Town Charity. Information is currently being sought from the Land Registry. The Chairman proposed that he and Vice-Chairman Cllr Griffin be nominated to sign, seconded by Cllr Godby and approved unanimously.

2. To approve a donation of £70 to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr Whittle, and approved unanimously.

3. To approve purchase of a new poppy wreath at a cost not exceeding £25.00. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr Bygott, and approved unanimously.

4. To approve a request from Club 55 regarding use of the Pavilion for an over-55s Christmas meal on 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2016 (*Appendix D*). Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr Buckler. The Christmas meal is being subsidised by the Club who have asked if the usual Pavilion fee could be waived. Cllr M Taylor proposed an amendment that the Parish Council make a donation of £50 from S137 funds towards the older people's party, seconded by the Chairman. The amended motion was approved with one abstention.

5. To agree to consult Cambridgeshire Highways and residents regarding a possible pelican crossing near Girton Road Co-Op store (*Appendix E*) Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr de Lacey. Vehicles park very close to the Co-Op store and Weavers Field junction. Cllr Harford explained that a pelican crossing would be approximately £90,000 and the Parish Council would be expected to contribute 10% of the cost. Cllr Harford agreed to speak with County Highways Officers to ask if this is something which they would support. The Chairman proposed an amendment, that Cllr Harford be asked to establish the facts for the Parish Council, seconded by Cllr L Williams, and approved unanimously.

Cllr Harford left the meeting at this point.

6. To agree a proposal for Girton Village Celebrations to store chairs and tables in a storage container on Girton Recreation Ground (*Appendix F*) Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr M Taylor. Although the Council appreciate that it is difficult to get the items out of the loft, the chairs and tables would also be difficult to get from a container on the Recreation Ground, and would get dirty. A better idea may be to make the loft more accessible eg install a lift. A case could be made for spending Pavilion Fabric Reserves on condition that it is replenished on an accelerated basis. Alternatively, a fund for improvements could be set up. The proposal for a lift could be brought to a subsequent meeting. The existing proposal was rejected with two abstentions.

**16/117 Finance and Resource Management**

1. To receive the payments schedule for the past month (*Appendix G*). Received by the Council.

2. To approve new electricity contracts for the Pavilion and Bowls Green (details to be tabled). This item was deferred as there was insufficient information .

3. To invoke item 3.2 of Financial Regulations for future quotations for works under

£250.00, with the proviso that one other councillor and the Clerk agree to the quotation received. Cllr Griffin has been spending lots of time waiting for contractors to come out to quote for projects of relatively small monetary value. Approved unanimously.

**16/118 Correspondence (to be received)**

1. 13<sup>th</sup> October: Residents' correspondence regarding the Mayfield Triangle fencing and the bus shelter at Mayfield Road/Girton Road junction.
2. 6<sup>th</sup> October: Letter to the Chairman from Madingley Parish Council about proposed boundary changes..

Regarding item 16/118.1, proposals for Mayfield Triangle will be brought to a subsequent meeting. Regarding item 16/118.2, the Chairman will write to Madingley Parish Council to say Girton Parish Council is happy to support them but will need more information on what has happened already.

**16/119 To receive reports**

1. Chairman's Report (*Appendix H*) Further to the Chairman's report, the Pavilion keys have yet to be returned.
2. Girton Town Charity. No report this month.
3. Girton Youth Project (*Appendix I*) Suggestions for the siting of a graffiti wall have been made and will be brought to a subsequent GPC meeting.
4. Footpaths. No report this month.
5. Water Management. No report this month.

**16/120 To receive unconfirmed Committee Minutes (to be circulated)**

1. Planning Committee Meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2016  
Received by the Council.

**16/121 Items which the Council need to discuss at the next meeting**

At Weavers Field playground, cigarettes and bottles need clearing-up and notices requesting that use be made of the litter bins.

Vehicles are parked both sides of the road outside The George public house. The obstruction is a police matter. Mention of these issues will be made in the Girton Parish News, and PCSO Mani asked to look out for parking problems.

Regarding parking issues, it was suggested that a parking enforcer could be employed by several parish councils.

There has been a request for a new bin at the Girton Corner bus stop.

It was queried whether anything can be done to protect trees from canker. The Tree Officer advised that burning leaves stops infestation.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

## APPENDIX A

### Cambridgeshire County Councillor's Report to Parish Councils October 2016

There was no meeting of Council since my last report. The next one will be held on 18 October. Items on the agenda include consideration of recommendations from General Purposes Committee relating to the Draft Medium Term Financial Strategy and the Capital Strategy. Motions from Councillors cover various subjects including Minor Injuries Units, the relationship between the County Council and the CCG and NHS funding. The meeting of Council to consider the Devolution Deal, originally planned for October, has been postponed until 15 November. Agenda pack for 18 October meeting: [bit.ly/2dFO1Dv](http://bit.ly/2dFO1Dv)

In support of the County Council's efforts to manage the Adult Social Care budget General Purposes Committee approved an investment of £260k for the expansion of the use of assistive technology in the care and assessment of older people. This initiative comprises two phases. Phase 1 involves investing to expand the use of 'Just Checking' [or similar] equipment. This

gives a full report of a person's movements during a given period. Longer term Phase 2 of the strategy will involve a partnership project to establish an enhanced response service for more complex incidents involving social care service users. The committee also approved the outline business case and savings proposals for renegotiation of the Council's waste disposal contract. A full business case and details of savings will be considered by a steering group before being brought back to General Purposes Committee. Agenda/decisions/minutes: [bit.ly/2ee2lrN](http://bit.ly/2ee2lrN) All the service committees are now beginning their consideration of budget proposals for 2017/18. There is still a way to go until Council is presented with a budget proposal [will it take 12 hours to get it through as it did last year?] but budgets are currently framed on the assumption that the Council will levy the 2% allowed by Government for Adult Social Care but not increase its portion of general Council Tax. The Council has made £68m worth of savings over the last 2 years. Total savings required over the 5 year period [to 2021/22] of the business plan amount to £99m with £29m being required in 2017/18. Despite this, at this first stage some proposed savings have proved to be unacceptable to some of the service committees.

Highways & Community Infrastructure Committee specifically requested that the proposals to (i) reduce service levels in Archives and (ii) remove community grants be withdrawn from their proposed Business Planning savings and that the proposal to reduce Community Resilience and Development delivery work be reviewed. Agenda pack and decisions: [bit.ly/2e8RmMM](http://bit.ly/2e8RmMM)

Children & Young People Committee was particularly concerned about the budget for Looked After Children. Members noted the identified pressures in the placements budget and associated savings proposals and agreed that these need to be addressed through the wider business planning process. They gave their 'strongest support' for pursuing the achievement of a realistic budget for Looked After Children. They also asked in relation to Children's Centres that more detail on the precise nature of where potential reductions would fall, both in terms of buildings and staff be brought back to a future meeting before any budget decisions are made.

Agenda pack and decisions: [bit.ly/2ee6coT](http://bit.ly/2ee6coT)

Economy & Environment Committee debated the impacts of withdrawing funding for community transport. These would be keenly felt in our rural villages and particularly in areas of high deprivation. Cuts would affect the old and the young and would limit study and employment options. Lack of transport increases social isolation which in turn impacts on both mental and physical health. Members of the committee asked that savings on all budget lines relating to community transport be removed and GPC be asked to reconsider means of reinstating this funding. I suggested that this impacts more than just E&E's responsibilities and funding should be considered in that light. Agenda pack: [bit.ly/2ekbHOF](http://bit.ly/2ekbHOF) Adults Committee made no specific requests for items to be removed but I made the point that the County Council cannot expect to make savings through cutting services it provides, rely on 'Community Resilience' to take up some of these responsibilities and then cut budgets to those voluntary organisations that are the mainstay of community resilience. I am not a member of H&CI committee but applaud their request to have the removal of community grants withdrawn from their budget [as above]. Agenda pack: [bit.ly/2dTmCzx](http://bit.ly/2dTmCzx)

A final point in relation to budgets: the Government has launched a technical consultation on the 2017/18 local government financial settlement. It contains a proposal to introduce a referendum requirement for large parish councils that increase council tax above a, to be determined, threshold. It would appear that no parishes in South Cambs would be caught by the requirement as proposed but views are being sought on widening this requirement to all parish councils.

Details: [bit.ly/2dOejXL](http://bit.ly/2dOejXL) The deadline for responding to the consultation is 28 October 2016. The Greater Cambridge City Deal [GCCD] proposals for the A428 Cambourne to Cambridge Better Bus Journeys continue to court criticism. The meetings of both the Assembly and the Board attracted good attendance and received some well considered input from local residents and organisations. Despite the Board's determination to pursue its preferred route [off road], it did agree to request detailed work be carried out on an on road scheme. Assembly agenda pack: [bit.ly/2e5qMVF](http://bit.ly/2e5qMVF) Board agenda pack: [http://bit.ly/2dvU1yb](http://http://bit.ly/2dvU1yb) Apart from the GCCD proposals on tackling congestion in Cambridge, the City Council is also proposing a solution: increasing car parking charges. It is currently inviting comments on its proposed hikes to charges. You may well like to have a say: [bit.ly/2dUW4iR](http://bit.ly/2dUW4iR)

The City of London Police, in partnership with Get Safe Online, has put together a National Cyber Crime Survey. Its purpose is to learn about people's awareness of online safety and experiences of cybercrime, with a view to improving its knowledge and understanding and to help provide an improved response to victims. The results will help police forces gain a better

idea of the challenges they are facing. If you have a few minutes to spare please go to:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CybercrimeSurvey2016>

This weekend is the 185th anniversary of the Special Constabulary. They are a much valued and well trained resource and in the 12 months to March this year Specials worked nearly 10,000 shifts in Cambridgeshire, amounting to just over 66,000 hours of duty. Times have moved on since the longest serving Special first started 37 years ago. He was given his uniform on a Tuesday, sworn in two days later and was on football match duty at the weekend. Given no training he was handed a truncheon, pair of handcuffs and a whistle! Today's Specials are properly trained to do the same job as regular officers. Many parish councils and local community organisations have now installed life-saving defibrillators. Recently the Government has warned that a relative few have been shown to have a design fault and has urged that checks are made on the functioning of two types of widely distributed models made by the same US manufacturer: Physio-Control. The models which may be affected are LIFEPAK CR PLUS or LIFEPAK EXPRESS.

I look forward to seeing you at your October meetings. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have comments or questions about the contents of this report or any other local matter.

Lynda

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## APPENDIX B

### **Report from District Councillor Douglas de Lacey**

12.10.2016

The District Council runs an Elite Athlete Award Scheme to encourage young athletes in their training, and in the latest round of grants Girton's Sophie Lankford has been awarded a £1,000 grant for cycling.

I mentioned the County's Parishes Conference last month, and plans are being finalised. The County will launch a £1M Innovation Fund for parishes to bid from in order to set up community schemes 'to help people to stay safe, independent and well, and ultimately help make savings for the taxpayer'. It will be important for Girton to be represented.

On 13 September I attended a brief ceremony with the Chairman to inaugurate the construction of the Wellbrook Way Care Home. No construction vehicles should pass along Cambridge Road, and I have reported breaches of this to the foreman.

At the JDCC on 14 September we had a briefing on transport issues. Until recently transport assessments for new developments used the Cambridge Sub Regional Model (CSRM) but this has now been abandoned as its data are too old, and have been challenged in the Local Plan inspections. Instead we now rely on City Deal and Local Plan data, the 2011 census, and locally obtained information. I asked if any work had been put in to assessing how accurate the CSRM's forecasts had been in retrospect, and was told that was very difficult. Traffic on the A14 has not decreased, but at least it has not increased! And while trips into Cambridge increased by 20% between 2004 and 2014, car journeys only increased by 4%. We asked about carless developments, and were told that enforcement was impossible. We asked how we could assess transport assessments within planning applications, and were assured that at briefings we would be given adequate information.

On the 21st there was an update on the NWC development. The University has created a number of wholly-owned companies to run various aspects of the site: the estate, facilities, communal heat, housing and the primary school.

September's Council meeting had a busy agenda. Of note was a proposal to borrow £1.85M in order to lend it to the proposed Cambridge Ice Arena. I expressed some concerns but the motion passed 45 to 2.

I raised my question about charging for credit card payments which I mentioned last month --

how much had we made? The startling answer was that we run at a loss because the system is run by Capita who charge us even more than the outrageous 2.5% we charge you. More questions remain to be asked and I am pursuing this.

As our CEO is leaving us, we needed to make an emergency appointment, and I am pleased that our Finance Officer is to be a temporary replacement. This will give us time for a considered appointment and a well-managed handover.

With the Leaders of the other Groups I had a session with our departing CEO on 11th October. We discussed Devolution, our shared services, the City Deal and the Police 'New Way'. The change of government has slowed the devolution process but probably not changed anything in it. -- including the inevitability of a mayor.

I am on a Task & Finish Group to provide advice for Parish Neighbourhood Plans. These supersede Parish Plans and have greater weight in the planning process. Unfortunately a number of proposed dates have had to be cancelled and we are yet to start our work. Even so, I do hope that Girton can find someone to begin planning this important project.

I attended a planning site visit at 69 St Vincent's Close where SCDC has already undertaken major works (which have had a major impact on the next-door neighbour), and found itself obliged to submit a retrospective planning application to itself. The neighbours spoke eloquently at the planning meeting, as a result of which the committee has demanded that officers provide a full structural survey before proceeding with the application.

We have commissioned an independent survey of Gypsy and Traveller needs in the District. The Government has made a significant change in its definition of Gypsies and Travellers, who were up to now regarded a separate races. Now only those who 'regularly' travel will be counted as Gypsies or Travellers. It appears we have enough provision for those in the District, though we do need 12 more pitches for Show People

The planning application for the building at 156 Girton Rd should be determined on 17 October.

Douglas de Lacey

### **APPENDIX C**

#### **Police Report for September/October 2016**

The daily Cambridgeshire Constabulary ecops reports have contained no reported crimes in Girton over the period since the last Girton Parish Council Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> September.

PCSO Mani informs us that there have been changes in local policing structure. He will henceforth be in Girton more regularly and also on microbeats in Milton and Histon, rather than having duties in Dry Drayton and Bar Hill as previously. Wellbrook Way has been identified as a crime hotspot, so much of PCSO Mani's time will be concentrated there and in establishing Neighbourhood Watch links at Wellbrook.

### **APPENDIX D**

#### **Message from Club 55**

Hi Susie

Would you please put the following question to the next Parish Council meeting.

I realise that I am being very cheeky, as usual - no change of course, but I am wondering if the Parish Council would waive the fee for the hire of the Pavilion for our proposed lunch time Xmas Party for the over 55's of the village. I have spoken with the Parish Chairman who has asked that I forward my request to you in order that it takes the appropriate course.

I have booked the use of the Pavilion from 12.30 to 2.30pm on the 21st December 2016 and hope to have a buffet Christmas lunch with mulled wine maybe a quiz and musical entertainment during the lunch period. Some entertainment is already arranged and other enquiries are in hand. Patricia Johnston our Older Residents Co-ordinator will do her best to encourage the less abled/stay at home members of our village to attend and where possible we will arrange transport.

All of this effort will of course cost money and although we intend to make a nominal charge of £5 per head with Club 55 also sponsoring the activities there is likely to be a shortfall. Club 55 will be making a donation to ACT (Addenbrookes' Charitable Trust) and if all goes well may make a collection at the end of the function for the same charity.

Would the Parish Council allow us to use the Pavilion on this day at the times stated free of charge.

Thank you for listening

My very best wishes to all

Sam Clift

Club 55

#### **APPENDIX E**

##### **Message from Older Residents' Co-Ordinator for Girton**

Morning Susie

After our chat about the pelican crossing at the "top" of the village two people (both with macular degeneration) have spoken to me asking if there could be a second crossing near the Co-op. They both commented on the increasing busyness of the road and their inability to gauge the distance and speed of approaching cars.

How can I take this further with the Council and if so how do you suggest I go about it?

Thanks for your help.

Best Wishes,

Patricia

Patricia Johnston

Older Residents' Coordinator for Girton

#### **APPENDIX F**

##### **Messages from Girton Village Celebrations**

1) Hello Susie

Please can you ask the Parish Councillors if Girton Village Celebrations (Girton Feast) could have permission to put a container at the back of the recreation ground where we could store the village tables & chairs etc. which are used for the Girton Feast week & other village events.

I am afraid there could be an accident carrying heavy tables & chairs up & down those concrete step to the Pavilion loft.

Many thanks

Carol

2) Hello Susie

I was having a chat today with Rowena, & she thought there was room in one of Chris's containers for the village tables & chairs. Please could you ask him.

We would then have to find someone with a van, pickup or trailer to transport them the other side of the recreation ground, so please if you know of a willing volunteer, please let us know.

Carol

## APPENDIX G

### Payments Schedule for Girton Parish Council – October 2016

#### Girton Parish Council

##### October 2016 Payments

Current Account 61498334 /

##### General Parish Expenses

Date	Chq No	Payee	Expense Description	Details	Net	VAT	Cheque Total
19/10/16	104315	CMR Wilson	Salary		£974.84		£974.84
19/10/16	104316	Susan Cumming	Salary		£1,132.59		£1,132.59
19/10/16	104317	Linda Miller	Salary		£683.61		£683.61
19/10/16	104318	Norman Lewell	Salary		£241.46		£241.46
19/10/16	104319	HMRC	Income Tax and National Insurance		£524.18		£524.18
19/10/16	104320	Linda Miller	Expenses: Stamps, milk and teabags		£16.09		£16.09
19/10/16	104321	South Cambs District Council	Non-domestic rates		£678.00		£678.00
19/10/16	104322	Binder Loams Ltd	Top dressing and seed for the cricket square	Inv no 17517	£450.60	£71.12	£521.72
19/10/16	104323	Pettitt Sports	Goal nets, football goal bracket and hooks	Inv no 1214	£122.70	£24.54	£147.24
19/10/16	104324	Altrad Beaver 84	Hire of heras fencing at bowls green	To be refunded by GTC	£215.16	£43.04	£258.20
19/10/16	104325	British Gas	Electricity charge for bowls green		£21.94	£1.09	£23.03
19/10/16	104326	Brookfield Contracting & Farming Ltd	Grass verge cutting - September 2016		£900.00	£180.00	£1,080.00
19/10/16	104327	CGM Group (East Anglia) Ltd	Mowing of St Andrew's Churchyard	Inv no 201248	£71.66	£14.33	£85.99
19/10/16	104328	Peter Graves Florist	Replanting of village flower tubs		£312.45	£62.55	£375.00
19/10/16	104329	BKPH Ltd	Megaflow water tanks annual inspection for Pavilion	Inv no 4522	£210.00	£42.00	£252.00
19/10/16	104330	G I Plumbing & Heating	Replacing shower mixing valves in Pavilion changing rooms	Inv no 3963	£2,320.00	£464.00	£2,784.00
19/10/16	104331	Avocet Cleaning Services Ltd	Pavilion cleaning services - September 2016		£492.00	£98.40	£590.40
19/10/16	104332	Gopak Ltd	Saddle moulding for steel folding chairs at Pavilion		£11.50	£2.30	£13.80
19/10/16	104333	Girton Social Club	£137 donation for village Christmas event		£50.00		£50.00
19/10/16	104334	Rexel UK Ltd t/a W F Senate	Halogen light fittings for Pavilion hall		£33.70	£6.74	£40.44
19/10/16	104335	A to Z Supplies	Kitchen towels and toilet rolls for Pavilion	Inv no 94328027	£86.93	£17.39	
			Replacement kettle for Pavilion	Inv no 94330138	£19.99	£4.00	£128.31
					<b>£9,569.40</b>	<b>£1,031.50</b>	<b>£10,600.90</b>

## APPENDIX H

### Chairman's Report 12<sup>th</sup> October 2016

I am pleased to report that our former Finance Officer has returned the old laptop computer and some paperwork via a third party. We await return of the Pavilion keys however. Our Clerk is now re-assessing our hardware/software needs and the support needed to get the accounts into up to date order. The progress on VAT reclaim and staff pensions is also being investigated urgently.

I recently met with GTC to review their input to the new footpath adjoining the revamped car park. They are to provide a detailed design of the footings and path construction they will require and we shall then be in a position to obtain up to date cost quotations.

Following the discussion and agreement at our last PC meeting the Clerk and I authorised the installation of new thermostatic showers in the Pavilion changing rooms. This is now complete in readiness for the expected heavy winter use. Under the Clerk's discretionary powers we also authorised replacement of several recently failed lamps on the MUGA, and this is due to be completed this week.

Following our request for ideas for use of decommissioned phone boxes in the village, several suggestions and two firm proposals have been received. One is for use as a green space and one is from the Glebe School for use as a display space. Dependant on BT decision on their retention we will ask for detailed plans for consideration by the Council when appropriate.

We have also received responses on the issues of the Mayfield bus shelter and the Mayfield triangle perimeter fencing. We shall bring proposals for action to our upcoming PC meetings. A communication from our solicitor Philip Kratz has indicated that The Land Registry do not have record of the transfer of a large section of the open space in Wellbrook to the PC from Taylor Wimpey. This includes the land behind Abbeyfield, the central small space and the balancing pond/woodland area at the bottom of the site. This will hopefully be rectified as soon as possible.

**Haydn Williams**

**APPENDIX I**  
**Girton Youth Project Report – September 2016**

**Future planning**

With the opportunities for projects large and small within the primary school there are a number of potential ideas that are soon to be planned. We will continue to arrange small projects on a one-day basis each week, but there are some longer projects that will really allow the young people to get stuck into that may cover a number of weeks, and hopefully some that tie in with lesson time, like the previously successful rockets project. These could include projects such as toy car building, alongside other creative and artistic projects. We also hope to organise projects that get the young people involved in team based challenges to given the opportunity to overcome tasks, for great fun and to do activities they haven't before, much like they do at the youth club.