

0621-289 Crown Gardens Update

Unfortunately due to personal plans and staff unavailability, we're unable to have a representative at the zoom meeting tomorrow.

Please accept and note our apologies.

Please note the following update for your information and to share with delegates:

- We're making progress with the letting of Crown Gardens with 15 flats now occupied. We're working closely with Huntingdonshire District Council to complete the remaining lets.
- We've had reports of noise disturbance emanating from Crown Gardens during May and more recently in June. We've spoken to couple of neighbours and reassured them that we will investigate and take appropriate action. We found that one resident was using power tools and doing DIY in the communal garden space. We asked him to suspend work as it was disturbing the neighbours, which he did straight away. We have had no noise complaints since.
- Huntingdonshire DC are running a monthly drop in at Crown Gardens. First drop in was really well received and customers were able to ask questions relating to move on advice and options and housing benefit issues.
- We're monitoring the situation with the car park as there have been occasions where the car park has been full capacity. We're looking at all options to help us manage the car park situation in the future. We look forward to providing further information at the next meeting.
- We're reviewing our staffing arrangements across our Support Services team, the intention is to have more staff time based at Crown Gardens.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks, kind regards

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0621-291 Flood Group Update

The Alconburys Flood Group (TAFG) comprises individuals from both villages looking to alleviate flooding.

TAFG reports to both Alconbury and Alconbury Weston Parish Councils and its projects are being planned to sit within an overall strategy aimed at defining targets such that each project makes a defined contribution to the overall aim of preventing the flooding of properties in both villages.

The group approach is: Prepare, Prevent and Protect.

Prepare and Prevent

EA has provided replenishment equipment for Flood Wardens, including radios, backpacks, gloves and torches.

The group has a number of projects including upstream and downstream projects which aim to **slow the flow** of flood water into the villages and **speed up the flow** out of the villages retrospectively such that flood waters do not endanger properties. Teams are looking at strategically placed hard and soft dams and bunds, together with a largish holding pond upstream and removing obstacles and areas of congestion downstream. These efforts will be complemented by other, EA-led, Natural Flood Management (NFM) initiatives, including tree planting and better land management, mainly upstream. Other work, more relevant just to Alconbury, involves improving drainage and pumping under the A1 bridge over Rusts Lane and working with Alconbury Weald developers to address water run-off from the new developments there.

As far as addressing flood waters in the Brook is concerned, the teams have currently made some specific upstream proposals which they are now seeking consultancy support from the EA to evaluate. These proposals differ from those made in the past as these were deemed unaffordable.

Protect

An event was held in Alconbury that demonstrated various protective measures and included introductions to better insurance arrangements. The event was well attended throughout the day.

0621-300.1 Bank reconciliation

**Alconbury Parish Council
Bank Reconciliation**

Total of balances in bank accounts at June 2021	Instant Access	34884.52
	Unity T1 Current Account	32184.95
	Lloyds	0.81
	Total	67070.28
 Less unrepresented cheques:		
Payee	Ref	Amount
C Copley - Wages and expenses	BACS	843.33
HMRC PAYE - Clerk	BACS	180.91
Superannuation	D/D	31.38
Four Seasons - cut 3 of 6	S/O	1920.00
Parrot Print Ltd	BACS	200.00
Global Trees - 63198	BACS	600.00
ARFC - Donation	BACS	1000.00
		4775.62
Net bank balance at 29 June 2020		£ 62294.66

Cash book		
Opening balance		54250.07
Add: Receipts		19869.50
Less: Payments		11824.91
 Balance as per cash book at May 2021		 £ 62294.66

Signed.....

Responsible Financial Officer

Date.....

