



# Hilton Parish Council

## [Report from the Meeting of the Council dated Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February](#) [20mph Speed Limit Project](#)

The Council discussed the plans put forward by Cambridgeshire County Council for the implementation of a 20mph speed limit in Hilton. Whilst the Council was pleased to note the inclusion of 40mph buffer zones into the village, it rejected the current design as it does not include the Green and the County Council were also proposing to omit the length of the Potton Road from the Church End junction to the shop from the 20mph zone. Hilton Parish Council has responded to state that it would like the 20mph to extend to the village gates, as the Green is used for children's playing area and also used for social events, children's cricket sessions and weekly croquet club. The cricket outfield actually crosses the road towards the sports pavilion. The road to Monach Farm is a single track lane often used for walkers, cyclists and horse riders. The area of Potton Road is the accident blackspot of the village and also will have 16 new houses built on the corner. Hilton Parish Council was also disappointed to note that the current vehicle activated signs (VAS) would be removed and would like the current VAS to remain and be adjusted to 20mph or replaced.

## [Long-term Highway Improvement Strategy](#)

The Council received the report following the meeting with the Highway Officer and was interested to note that there is currently vehicular access and a dropped kerb to the properties behind the bus stop. This may provide an alternative solution to the issue of extending the marked bus stop and the Clerk is authorised to consult with the affected residents of Potton Road and the relevant Housing Association.

## [Maintenance Contract](#)

The Council continues to work on the renewal of the Maintenance Contract for the Green Open Spaces in the village and has agreed the quotes from the current contractors totalling £12,740. The Green Open Spaces working group were tasked with drafting the detailed contracts to present to the March meeting of the Council.

## [Events](#)

Permission was granted for Hilton Feast Week CIC to hold an event on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June, Hilton Village Hall Management Committee to hold an outdoor theatre on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June, and to co-ordinate events over this weekend, and to the Hilton Summer Ball Committee for their event on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July. The Council continues to work on the potential Beacon lighting event on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June to commemorate the anniversary of D-Day.

## [Fitness Classes](#)

Permission was also granted to Fitness Rush to hold their classes in the car park adjacent to the Village Hall as part of the health inequalities project, particularly targeting over 50's, cardiovascular disease and frailty.

### Internal Auditor

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Association of Local Councils' Internal Audit Service was appointed as the Council's internal auditor following their thorough report last year.

### Fire Safety

The Clerk was authorised to purchase materials for the pavilion, to enable this community building to comply with the fire safety regulations, at a cost of £137.21 plus VAT.

### Highways and Streetlighting Stakeholders Survey

The response to these surveys was delegated to the Clerk, in consultation with Cllrs Balicki and Norton.

*The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 in Hilton Village Hall. Agendas will be issued in advance on the village notice boards and the Council's website [www.hiltonparishcouncil.com](http://www.hiltonparishcouncil.com). Parishioners are welcome to speak at council meetings on agenda items.*

Hilton Parish Council has been engaged in repurposing the pavilion, which will not be in competition with the village hall, to enhance its functionality and usefulness for the community. The primary focus has been on seeking funding from external sources to support these endeavours. Currently, the Council is in the process of applying for a grant amounting to £89k. This grant is intended to complement the Parish Council's existing contributions and aims to elevate the pavilion to modern standards while broadening its scope of use within the community. The Council welcomes your input to guide this project and ensure that this facility will meet the needs of our community. Please either respond via the website form ([www.hiltonparishcouncil.com](http://www.hiltonparishcouncil.com)) or complete this form and return it to 10 Church End.

Do you support the concept of the renovation of the pavilion?

Yes  No

Comment:

What roles or functions do you imagine the pavilion could serve?

Café

Meeting venue

Cycle/Ramblers rest stop

Art exhibition

Games night

Small event hire

Other : \_\_\_\_\_

The pavilion currently hosts Friday games, children's cricket, and activities during Feast Week. How else could the pavilion be used?

Comment:

Would you be interested in starting a club? Yes/No

Comment:

Do you have any additional suggestions for the pavilion?

Comment:

If anyone is interested in donating towards the renovation of the pavilion, please contact the Clerk – [clerk@hiltonparishcouncil.com](mailto:clerk@hiltonparishcouncil.com)