

LFCA Committee Meeting Wednesday 10 September 2025 at 7:30pm

Minutes

	Molecuse, and arise and introductions	
1	Welcome, apologies and introductions Apologies received: Ben Pitt	
2	Open forum - Ideas and questions from residents and stakeholders Kester Way - Sam and Marcus - Give way lines now painted and funded by CCC Highways. Lara championed this - thank you Lara!	15 mins
	International Food Festival round-up - Jonathan - We had 8 international families serving delicious food and were pleased with attendance approx 70, great variety of food, quiz and games well received. There is interest from residents to run the festival again.	
	Big lunch round-up - Emma - Great event! Fewer people in attendance than previous years but this could be due to the wet weather that was forecast.	
	Eco event update - Lara - will provide an update at a later date.	
	Loves Farm 2 - Formal plans about emergency access were due to be submitted in June 2025 but haven't been submitted yet. The developers for the site have not been announced yet.	
3	AGM plans - Sam - Jen and I met with the trustees of Loves Farm House. There were lots of ideas such as a speaker and "nominate a neighbour' awards. Feedback from LFCA that awards have been done before and it was quite labour intensive. The same people were nominated each year. But we do want to find a way to celebrate our volunteers. The event will be a bit different this year to celebrate the 10th anniversary. Sarah Caine is happy to help in any way she can.	5 mins
	Action: Organise next meeting with Loves Farm House.	
4	Christmas cheers - Sam - Arranging a date for the event. The plan is to do Christmas carols in Station Square again.	5 mins
5	Updates and announcements from Councillors Marcus - Local Government Reorganisation update - Option A being developed by CCC. Residents encouraged to have their say about Option A via the <u>survey</u> . Visit the CCC website to find out more.	10 mins
	Improvements on Station Square - Marcus - Been working with Huntingdonshire District Council to replant the flower beds (there is funding this) and to see if we can get some funds to fill the tree pits. Urban and Civic are also involved in discussions. Progressing slowly.	
	Foot paths - Should be some budget for repairs. Progressing slowly.	

	Civil parking enforcement - Marcus - Wardens have visited Love's Farm once so far and focused on Station Square. Residents at the LFCA meeting and via social media have asked if they can branch out to other roads on Love's Farm. There are only a few teams and it'll take them time to work their way round. Local Highway bid result - Sarah Caine - Will be shared next month. Please note that 18th to 22nd September report tool will be closed down. District elections next year - Sarah Caine - Postal vote request has a 3 year limit now. We need to share this with residents so they know they need to reapply. Market Square update - Sarah Caine - Debating who should take accountability for it. Trying to get a stakeholder meeting with the councils.	
	Immigration case work - Sarah Caine - Lots of immigrant cases in Love's Farm and Wintringham affected by Hong Kong visa changes. Providing support for those affected. Contact Cllr Sarah Caine if you need support.	
	School buses - Sarah Caine - Residents need a bus to transport students to schools in Cambourne, but currently doesn't run at appropriate times. Sarah is exploring this.	
6	Finance update - Sarah Fuller Given out 2 grants this year - 1 to Money Advice St Neots and 1 to the Scout Group. Bank account: £5,584 used for grants and general expenditure. Girl Guides - Emma - Asked if Girl Guides can apply for a grant. Could be worth contacting Little Paxton to understand how they do their free community day. We can explore over the Winter. Let's also promote the grants in the newsletter.	5 mins
7	Local Highways Bids - Sam Station Square signage - nothing to report this time.	5 mins
8	Bin Audit - Sam Update on bin audit and repairs needed - Sam has submitted a report to HDC and is awaiting action from them.	5 mins
9	Possible new noticeboard - Sam Application sent for the community chest grant. But Sam plans to speak to Sarah about the options. There are various types e.g. locked cabinets to choose from. Pirate ship could be a good location.	5 mins
10	Compost for Parish Councils Sam and Jen explored this but the heat was a concern and struggled to find a spot that wouldn't upset residents. We ran a poll on Facebook asking if residents wanted compost and it was unanimous yes! So we will consider it for Spring 2026.	5 mins
11	Love's Farm News Sam will ask Dan to send out an update to the publication by email.	5 mins
12	Street reps and newsletter delivery update No update this time.	5 mins
13	AOB	5 mins

LFCA website

Action: Richard, Sam and Jen to meet and map out the website. Jen suggested drafting content in Word and sharing with the committee for input. Richard to look at incoming traffic to the website.

Dog poo - Lots of dog poo in side of the bushes.

Newsletter - Emma - Asked if the latest issue can be published on the website.

SMART days - Emma - Asked if LFCA can be kept updated on when these will take place and if dates can be planned more in advance.

Upcoming dates for your diary

LFCA and LFH AGM - Friday 28 November 2025, evening Christmas cheers Friday 19 December 2025

Action: Sam and Jen to discuss LFCA meeting dates for next year.