

**PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD BY REMOTE MEANS ON 2 November 2020**

**Present**

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

Councillors, I Allen, D M Gamble, T Kirkham, and Mrs W Kirkham

**PART1- NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**176/20 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Mrs P M Bowmer Mrs J Jones and Mrs C Randall who were ill; and from Councillor N Jordan who was unable to attend due to work commitments.

Apologies were also received from County Councillor C Dale who was unable to attend due to restrictions imposed by Derbyshire County Council on the software used for the remote meeting

**177/20 Declaration of Members interests**

None

**178/20 Dispensation granted to Members declaring disclosable pecuniary interests in an agenda item**

None

**179/20 Public Participation**

(i) None

**(ii) Report of the Police Representative**

(i) No police representative was present at the meeting.  
The Clerk reported the crime statistics for September 2020 from the Police website.

**Reported in September 2020**

Anti-Social Behaviour 4  
Criminal damage and arson 3  
Drugs 1  
Other Crime 3  
Other Theft 1  
Public order 1  
Violence and sexual offences 6

Total 19

It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**(iii) Report from Community Speedwatch Initiative (if any)**

The Clerk reported that all Community Speedwatch events were suspended during the national lockdown from Thursday 5 November 2020 until Wednesday 2 December 2020. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**(iv) Report of the County Councillor**

Although unable to attend the meeting the County Councillor submitted an email which reported that, in October 2020 the County Councillor gave £2,000.00 from her leadership allowance to New Houghton Community Hub to enable them to complete the refurbishment of the building in readiness for opening up to Community Groups in the future.

**(v) Report of the District Councillor**

District Councillor T Kirkham reported that he had received comments from residents expressing their appreciation of the display of lamppost poppies kindly attached by Parish Council volunteers. He also reported that the District Council had concluded its consultation with New Houghton residents about the possible closure of the access path between Occupation Road and Coronation Avenue, in response to complaints of antisocial behaviour, and the path will remain open. It was also reported that Bolsover District Council has funding available to fund improvements on Bolsover District Council land; he indicated that project ideas for New Houghton were being formulated for consideration.

**180/20 Date of next Meeting**

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 7 December 2020 in the Verney Institute, Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley, or held by remote means, and that the meeting for January be provisionally fixed for 4 January 2021.

**181/20 Minutes of Last Meeting**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 5 October 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**182/20 Chairman's Announcements**

None

**183/20 Allotments**

- (i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**184/20 Cemetery**

- (i) A report had been received of a broken hinge on one of the Cemetery gates. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted and that the Clerk will arrange an inspection and, if necessary, arrange for a repair.

**185/20 Footpaths**

- (i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**186/20 Highways**

- (i) The Clerk reported that a further report had been made to Derbyshire County Council about the failure of the lights in the bus shelter adjacent to Meden Vale Engineering and that the response had indicated that the repair had been delayed due to the Covid-19 pandemic; but, was on the waiting list and will be carried out at a future date. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**187/20 New Houghton Community Centre**

- (i) The Clerk reported that the emergency lights had failed the drain test carried out as part of the Fire Alarm maintenance check. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted and authority is given to the Clerk to approve the quote for the remedial work.

- (ii) Update on Open Door Computer Group

The Clerk reported that remote working, by providing online support for members of the group, in response to the Coronavirus Covid-19 pandemic was still continuing. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

**188/20 Recreation Grounds**

- (i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**189/20 Street Lighting**

- (i) The Clerk reported that the planned date for turning on the Christmas lights is 27 November 2020. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**190/20 Verney Institute**

- (i) The Clerk reported that the emergency lights had failed the drain test carried out as part of the Fire Alarm maintenance check. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted and authority is given to the Clerk to approve the quote for the remedial work.

**191/20 Correspondence**

**The following items of general correspondence have been received:**

- (i) Email from the Secretary of the New Houghton Millennium Green Trust requesting grant support towards the grass cutting costs for the Millennium Green. It was

RESOLVED that a grant for a maximum of £440.00 will be given to the Millennium Green Trust towards the maintenance costs of the Millennium Green. This sum is in accordance with the costs quoted in the email request and represents a grant for two grass cuts at a cost of £220.00 per cut.

- (ii) Email from Bolsover District Council informing that the 'Bolsover District Council (Dog Management) Public Spaces Protection Order No.1 of 2020' takes effect from 26<sup>th</sup> October 2020 and remains in place for a period of 3 years. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted and that posters will be displayed in appropriate locations

- (iii) Email sent on behalf of Derbyshire County and Derby City Councils informing of the consultation period on the next stage in the preparation of the Minerals Local Plan to identify further resources of sand and gravel. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (iv) Letter from Ashfield District Council giving notice of the consultation period for Kirkby town Centre and Kirkby and Sutton Parkway Stations. It was  
RESOLVED that the contents be noted
- (v) Email from Bolsover District Council informing of the Chairman's Community Awards scheme. It was  
RESOLVED that the contents be noted
- (vi) Email from DALC giving information about grant applications to the Derbyshire Police & Crime Commissioner Vulnerability Fund. It was  
RESOLVED that the contents be noted
- (vii) Email from Derbyshire County Council with a copy of Community News. It was  
RESOLVED that the contents be noted
- (viii) Email from Derbyshire County Council with a copy of Active Derbyshire - October 2020 Funding News. It was  
RESOLVED that the contents be noted
- (ix) Letter from Derbyshire Unemployed Workers' Centres (DUWC) thanking the Parish Council for its previous grant to help them deliver their service and requesting consideration towards giving further grant support to help them deliver their service. It was  
RESOLVED to make a Section 137 grant of £200 to support the work of the Derbyshire Unemployed Workers' Centres (DUWC)
- (x) Email from DALC informing the consultation in respect of Standards Matter 2: Public Consultation and Public Sector Surveys. It was  
RESOLVED that the contents be noted
- (xi) Email from District Councillor T Kirkham requesting that the Parish Council consider a request to contribute funding towards potholes repairs on an unadopted access road in New Houghton. It was  
RESOLVED that in accordance with previous requests the Parish Council does not provide funding for repairs to unadopted or private roads in the Pleasley Parish
- (xii) Email from Derbyshire County Council with Community News - 30 October 2020. It was  
RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (xiii) Email from DALC informing of the 'Lockdown communications 6 point plan and national webinars - Breakthrough Communications'. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (xiv) Email from Bolsover District Council informing of the 'In This Together - Community Matters' Festive Fund. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

**192/20 Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter**

The Chairman reported that Newsletter (issue 60) had been printed and that delivery should commence in the near future. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

**193/20 Pleasley Parish Council's Website**

No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

**194/20 To consider re-opening the New Houghton Community Centre and The Verney Institute to members of the public**

It was reported that the Government decision for a national lockdown from Thursday 5 November 2020 until Wednesday 2 December 2020, and the relevant guidance relating to restrictions on the opening of community facilities, meant that it was not possible to consider re-opening the New Houghton Community Centre and The Verney Institute to members of the public during that time. It was

RESOLVED that the two buildings will remain closed to members of the public and the next review of this decision is scheduled to take place on 7 December 2020.

**195/20 Food Bank and Support Services for the Pleasley Parish**

District Councillor T Kirkham informed the Parish Council that grant funding for this project had been obtained from Derbyshire County Council; therefore, there was no requirement for a discussion to consider potential funding from the Parish Council. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**196/20 DALC Newsletter 10 - October 2020**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted



would again re-consult should closure of the footpath be re-considered again in the future

**Part 2-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**200/20** Resolve that the public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of the following item(s) of business to avoid the disclosure to them of confidential information in breach of the obligation of confidence as defined in Section 100a(2) of the Local Government Act 1972

None

**201/20 Accounts**

**Expenditure**

<b><u>Cheque</u></b>	<b><u>To</u></b>	<b><u>For</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
0605	Royal British Legion	Poppies for lampposts	£150.00
0606	PSB Services	Internal Audit	£150.00
0607	Bolsover District Council	Repair to cantilever swing at Rotherham Road Recreation Ground	£57.12
0608	Bolsover District Council	Play Area Inspections April – July 2020	£240.00
0609	Bolsover District Council	Dog/Litter bin emptying 1 July to 30 September 2020	£764.40
0610 to 0615	Employees	Wages and expenses	£3202.02
0616	HMRC	Tax and NIC	£285.34
0617	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Cleaning of bus shelters (October 2020)	£67.18
0618	Came & Company	Insurance	£3294.88
0619	Came & Company	Engineering Insurance	£477.36
0620	T Clarke Contracting Ltd	Service boiler -Verney Institute	£229.20
0621	T Clarke Contracting Ltd	Service boiler - New Houghton Community Centre	£229.20
0622	D J M Perkins	Window cleaning - Verney Institute	£30.00
0623	N Pocklington	Reimbursement for cable ties, cleaning materials and stationery	£16.05

**Income**

<b>Paid into bank</b>	<b>6/10/20</b>
Wayleave receipt	6.02
<b>Total (£)</b>	<b>6.02</b>

Balance of bank current account as at 2 October 2020	£81,822.80
Balance of building society account as at 2 October 2020	£40,650.04
<b>Total Balance as at 2 October 2020</b>	<b>£122,472.84</b>

**Signed**.....  
**Chairman**