

**PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON 6 January 2020**

**Present**

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

Councillors, I Allen, Mrs P M Bowmer, D M Gamble, Mrs J Jones, N Jordan, Mrs C W Kirkham and T Kirkham

Also present:

Two members of the public

**PART1- NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**1/20 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received, accepted and noted from Councillor Mrs V Douglas who has a long-term illness and Councillor Mrs C Randall who was ill.

Apologies were also received from County Councillor Dale who had other unavoidable commitments.

**2/20 Declaration of Members interests**

None

**3/20 Dispensation granted to Members declaring disclosable pecuniary interests in an agenda item**

None

**4/20 Public Participation**

(i) Two members of the public were present who briefly explained the on-going work at the Freedom Centre in New Houghton and also expressed their support for recent efforts by the District Councillor T Kirkham and others, in arranging a 'Youth Forum' meeting with local young people, to try and determine the demand and preferences for youth provision in the Parish. It was requested that the Parish Council gives consideration to providing support to any initiative relating to providing youth services/facilities in the Parish.

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

(i) No police representative was present at the meeting. The Clerk reported the crime statistics for November 2019 from the Police website. The Clerk also informed the meeting that he had contacted the local PCSO about the high number of reported crimes on

Chesterfield Road, Pleasley and was informed that this was due to the actions of one individual living in a care environment who had now been re-located.

Reported in November 2019

Anti-Social Behaviour 7  
Criminal damage and arson 2  
Drugs 1  
Other Crime 1  
Other Theft 1  
Public Order 1  
Vehicle Crime 2  
Violence and sexual offences 12

Total 27

It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

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

No events to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

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

The Clerk informed the meeting of the written comments submitted by Councillor Dale which accompanied her apology for absence. The written comments indicated that potholes are being reported to the County Council Highway team but, at present, progress in repairs is slow due to the large number on potholes caused by several months of heavy rain; it was also stated that the rain damage to the highways will cost £20million to repair and Derbyshire County Council only have £17.5 million a year from central government to maintain roads.

She also updated on her activities with Derbyshire County Council at Christmas which included working in partnership with The Academy and Primary schools in the area; Community volunteers delivered 104 food hampers and 60 Christmas presents, donated by Aldi and Lidl and the parents from the schools, to needy families.

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

District Councillor T Kirkham reported that discussions were taking place to consider the possibility of replacing the District Council Corporate Plan with a Leader's Vision. It was also reported that he was due to attend a meeting with Sports Direct to discuss the possibility of Sports Direct looking at ways of providing more support to local businesses by providing opportunities to become part of their supply chain.

**5/20**      **Date of next Meeting**

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 3 February 2020 in the Verney Institute, Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley and that the meeting for February be provisionally fixed for 2 March 2020.

**6/20**      **Minutes of Last Meeting**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 2 December 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**7/20**      **Chairman's Announcements**

None

**8/20**      **Allotments**

- (i)      The Clerk reported that a request had been made to a tenant on the Meden Avenue Allotment Site to remove an unauthorised connection to the water supply. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**9/20**      **Cemetery**

- (i)      No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

**10/20**     **Footpaths**

- (i)      No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**11/20**     **Highways**

- (i)      The Clerk reported that some potholes had been repaired at the end of Newboundmill Lane, at its junction with Chesterfield Road. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**12/20**     **New Houghton Community Centre**

- (i)      The Clerk reported that vandalism had taken place at the centre, on 3 December 2019, during a Youth Forum; damage included a broken toilet, a broken light cover and damage to some signage

lettering outside the building. It was reported that the toilet had now been repaired. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

- (ii) Update on Open Door Computer Group

No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

**13/20 Recreation Grounds**

- (i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**14/20 Street Lighting**

- (i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**15/20 Verney Institute**

- (i) The Clerk reported that the carpet cleaning had taken place on 16 December 2019. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**16/20 Correspondence**

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

- (i) Email giving details of, and asking the Parish Council to consider signing, the Armed Forces Covenant. It was

RESOLVED that the Parish Council will sign the covenant

- (ii) Email from Bolsover District Council informing of the publication of edition 6 of the District/Parish Gazettes and asking for contributions for the next edition. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (iii) Letter from Ashfield District Council informing of a consultation on the sustainability appraisal scoping report for Ashfield – 20 December 2019 to 3 February 2020. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (iv) Email from Bolsover District Council requesting details of Parish events for inclusion in the Bolsover District 2020 Events Brochure. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted and that a submission will be made to request the inclusion of Parish events in the publication.

- (v) Email from District Councillor T Kirkham requesting that the Parish Council establishes a working party to consider the issue of the provision of youth activities/services in the Parish; which may include the consideration of providing funding for skilled and experienced youth workers to work with the Parish Council plus other groups and agencies to develop a solution for the parish. It was

RESOLVED that consideration will be given at a future meeting to establishing a working party and determining its scope and terms of reference relating to the provision of youth activities/services in the Parish

**17/20 Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter**

The Chairman reported that the preparation of Newsletter (issue 59) was on-going. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

**18/20 Pleasley Parish Council's Website**

No matters were raised under this item. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

**19/20 Defibrillator installed at the Terrace Lane Bus Shelter, Pleasley**

The Clerk reported that the defibrillator had been removed in response to a medical emergency but had not been used. It was also reported that the status of the defibrillator had been restored to 'active'. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**20/20 Bolsover District Active Communities Programme 2020/21**

A short discussion was held to consider participation in the programme for 2020/21. It was

RESOLVED that the Parish Council will apply to participate in the 2020/21 scheme and that a request will be made to use some of the funding for the Provision of the Street Sports activities in the Parish

**21/20 Live and Local**

Councillor Gamble reported that fifty-three tickets had been sold for the event scheduled for 15 February 2020. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**22/20 DALC Circular number 13 and 14**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

**23/20 Bank Reconciliation as at 18 December 2019**

The Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 18 December 2019 was presented at the meeting. It was

RESOLVED that the bank reconciliation be agreed for 18 December 2019

**24/20 Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area**

No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**25/20 Planning Matters**

- (i) Planning applications

None

- (ii) Planning applications received after the publication of the agenda  
None

- (iii) Ratification of decisions made by email consultation since the last meeting

None

**Notification of Decision**

None

## 26/20 Accounts

<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>			
<b><u>Cheque No</u></b>	<b><u>To</u></b>	<b><u>For</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
0456	J H Wright	Reimbursement for replacement Christmas Tree Lights	£9.98
0457	PPL PRS Ltd	Royalty payment for Fierce Flowers Live and Local concert	£24.37
0458	JRB Enterprise Ltd	Dispenser Refill - Dog Foul Waste Bags	£294.00
0459	Paul Hemmings	Carpet cleaning at Verney Institute	£225.00
0460	PSB Services	Internal Audit	£150.00
0461	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Cleaning of bus shelters (December 2019)	£65.88
0462	Shirebrook Town Council	Hire of outreach chair aerobics instructor for exercise class (December 2019)	£60.00
0463	L Brudenell	Reimbursement for new toilet at New Houghton Community Centre	£72.55
0464	N Pocklington	Reimbursement for stationery, replacement light bulbs and cleaning materials for Verney Institute	£27.00
0465 to 0469	Employees	Wages and Expenses	£2876.80
0470	HMRC	Tax and NIC	£319.22

### **Income**

<b>Paid into bank</b>	<b>3/12/19</b>	<b>10/12/19</b>	<b>24/12/19</b>	<b>3/1/20</b>
Verney	24.00	87.00	281.00	15.00
New Houghton Community Centre	55.00			50.00
Live and Local Cemetery	457.71		192.00	
<b>Total (£)</b>	<b>536.71</b>	<b>87.00</b>	<b>873.00</b>	<b>465.00</b>

Balance of bank current account as at 3 January 2020 £45,425.88

Balance of building society account as at 3 January 2020 £40,386.80

**Total Balance as at 3 January 2020 £85,812.68**

**Part 2-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**27/20** 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

**28/20** **Precept requirement and budget for 2020/21**

The Clerk outlined the various options to be considered in setting the precept and informed members that Council Tax Support Grant Funding had now ended. Following a discussion, it was:

RESOLVED that

(i) the estimate of expenditure for 2020/21 as set out in column 5 of the budget attached to these minutes be approved

- (i) Bolsover District Council be informed that the Parish Precept for 2020/21 is set at a level so that the Parish Council receives a total precept funding of £72,626.00.

**29/20** **Crompton Street Grazing Land**

A discussion was held about issues relating to compliance with the terms and conditions of the tenancy agreement. It was resolved that one issue required further investigation and there will be on-going monitoring to ensure compliance with all terms and conditions

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