PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 7 September 2020

Present

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

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

PART1- NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

122/20 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and noted from Councillor Mrs C W Kirkham who was on holiday and from Councillor N Jordan who was unable to attend due to work commitments

123/20 Declaration of Members interests

None

124/20 <u>Dispensation granted to Members declaring disclosable pecuniary interests in an agenda item</u>

None

125/20 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 June and July 2020 from the Police website.

Reported in June 2020

Anti-Social Behaviour 19
Criminal damage and arson 5
Drugs 1
Public Order 3
Violence and sexual offences 11

Total 39

Reported in July 2020

Anti-Social Behaviour 12
Burglary 1
Criminal damage and arson 1
Drugs 1
Other Crime 1
Other Theft 1
Public Order 5
Vehicle Crime 2
Violence and sexual offences 9

Total 33

It was RESOLVED that the report be noted

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

A volunteer Community Speedwatch Operator reported that two Speedwatch events had been held. It was reported that at the first session, on Newboundmill Lane, thirty-nine vehicles were counted of which twenty were monitored and two of these were found to be speeding. At the second event on Chesterfield Road, opposite its junction with Newboundmill Lane, seventy-two vehicles were counted of which thirty-six were monitored and seven of these were found to be exceeding the speed limit. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

(iv) Report of the County Councillor

Councillor Dale reported that Mark Fletcher, MP for Bolsover, and the Leader of Bolsover District Council were pursing the possibility of a Glapwell bypass. It was also reported that COVID-19 has had a severe impact on Adult Care in the County. She reported that the County Council are to spend £11million to refurbish three care homes which includes the New Bassett House Care Home in Shirebrook. It was also reported that grant funding had been given for writing, arts for children and bike maintenance projects.

(v) Report of the District Councillor

District Councillor T Kirkham reported that the District Council had been operating on skeleton staffing levels at times due to COVID-19. It was also reported that council finances had been affected by a loss of income which was partly due to the temporary closure of The Arc Leisure Centre. He also reported his involvement in efforts to re-open the community building in New Houghton, formerly known as the 'Freedom Centre', through the establishment of a charity organisation.

126/20 Date of next Meeting

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 5 October 2020 in the Verney Institute, Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley and that the meeting for November be provisionally fixed for 2 November 2020.

127/20 Minutes of Last Meeting

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the minutes of the meeting held on 6 July 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

128/20 Chairman's Announcements

None

129/20 Allotments

(i) The Clerk reported that at present there are no vacant allotment plots on either the Crompton Street or Meden Avenue allotment sites and there are currently two residents on a waiting list for the Crompton Street Site. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

130/20 <u>Cemetery</u>

(i) The Clerk reported that grounds maintenance work had been completed at the Cemetery which included the removal of surface vegetation, pruning and the application of a bark chipping mulch to aid weed suppression. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

(ii) A brief discussion was held to discuss the possible use of a gardening services contractor, and the scope of this service, for ongoing control of surface vegetation and other routine maintenance of the Cemetery grounds. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that it will be delegated to the Clerk to invite local gardening services contractors to make a site visit to the Cemetery and evaluate the frequency, time and cost of providing a regular maintenance service at the Cemetery.

131/20 Footpaths

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

(ii) A short discussion was held to consider and evaluate three

quotations received for tarmac resurfacing work to be undertaken on Shoulder of Mutton Lane and the path adjacent to the Rotherham Road children's play area in New Houghton. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Clerk is authorised to accept the best value quotation for the work to be completed.

132/20 Highways

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

133/20 New Houghton Community Centre

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

(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.

134/20 Recreation Grounds

(i) The Clerk reported that the Annual Play Inspection reports for the Rotherham Road and Terrace Lane Recreation Grounds had been received and only low or very low risk issues had been identified and reported. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

(ii) A short discussion was held to consider a proposal put forward by the Parish Council Working Party for the purchase of an additional item of HAGS Nexus play equipment, as this met the specific criteria for play features, for the Terrace Lane Recreation Ground, and to confirm that this proposal will allow the goalposts to be relocated. It was

RESOLVED that the Clerk is authorised to place an order to purchase and install an additional item of play equipment for the Terrace Lane Recreation Ground from the Nexus range supplied by HAGS; and it be noted that this purchase is regarded as a proprietary article and, as such, all members were satisfied that the purchase offered value for money on the basis that the best available terms are obtained in respect of this transaction. Authorisation is also given to the Clerk to arrange for the goalposts

to be relocated, if this is still considered appropriate, after the installation of the new play equipment

135/20 Street Lighting

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

136/20 <u>Verney Institute</u>

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

(ii) A short discussion was held to consider the return of aerial photographs of the former Pleasley Colliery Site, currently held at the Verney Institute for safekeeping, to the Pleasley Pit Trust. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Clerk will write to the Secretary of the Pleasley Pit Trust to arrange for the return of the photographs.

137/20 Correspondence

The following items of general correspondence have been received:

- (i) Email correspondence from Parish residents requesting that consideration is given to installing new play equipment at the Terrace Lane Recreation Ground. It was
 - <u>RESOLVED</u> that the contents be noted and that the Clerk had replied to the residents to inform that a Parish Council Working Party had already been established to formulate a proposal for an additional piece of equipment.
- (ii) Email from District Councillor T Kirkham requesting that the possibility of establishing food bank support for residents in the Pleasley Parish is discussed at a Parish Council Meeting. It was
 - <u>RESOLVED</u> that this is included as an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting
- (iii) Email reply from Royal British Legion Fundraising Co-ordinator about the possibility of ordering lamppost poppies. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Clerk will liaise with the Royal British Legion fundraising co-ordinator to establish if fifty lamppost poppies can be obtained and if so, that fifty poppies would be ordered at the suggested donation of £3.00 each, and councillor volunteers would install them on lampposts in the parish

138/20 Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter

The Chairman reported that the production of Newsletter (issue 60) was ongoing. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

139/20 Pleasley Parish Council's Website

The Clerk reported that the website administrator had completed the early stages of working towards the compliance of the Parish Council website with the Accessibility Regulations – 'Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018', but the workload and timescale would remain under review as the task was proving to be greater than originally thought. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

140/20 <u>To consider re-opening the New Houghton Community Centre and The Verney Institute to members of the public</u>

A short discussion was held to consider re-opening the New Houghton Community Centre and The Verney Institute to members of the public. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> 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 5 October 2020.

141/20 Christmas Lighting Proposal

To consider a single quote for the specialist provision of Christmas Lighting by electrical lighting column conversions, and for the hire of festive displays based on costs spread over a 3-year hire/contract agreement. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Clerk is authorised to accept the quote for a display scheme of twelve lighting columns as part of a 3-year hire/contract agreement and it be noted that this contract is regarded as a specialist service and all members were satisfied that the contract offered value for money.

142/20 Resignation of Councillor Valerie Douglas as a Parish Councillor

The Chairman reported that he had received a letter of resignation from Councillor Douglas. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that a thank you card and flowers are sent to acknowledge the service to the local community provided in her time as a serving councillor

143/20 Live and Local

(i) To receive correspondence/ reports (if any) None (ii) A short discussion was held to consider the request by, and recommendation of, Live and Local to apply a fifty-pence increase to the ticket price of any future event, with immediate effect. It was

RESOLVED that the fifty pence increase will be applied and the ticket price for each event from 1 October 2020 will be £11.00

144/20 DALC Newsletter July and August 2020

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

145/20 To review the Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31 July 2020

The Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31 July 2020 was presented at the meeting. It was

RESOLVED that the bank reconciliation be agreed for 31st July 2020

146/20 Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area

No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

147/20 Planning Matters

Planning applications

(i) Application for Full Planning Permission

None

(ii) Planning applications received after the publication of the agenda

Application for Consent under a Tree Preservation Order

Application No: 20/00356/TPO Decision Level: DelegatedProposal: 30% canopy reduction to Copper Beech (TPO BOL/20 - Ref T3)

Location: 13 Booth Avenue Pleasley Mansfield NG19 7TE

Applicant: MR GEORGE COOK

RESOLVED that no objections be raised

Application for Consent under a Tree Preservation Order

Application No: 20/00310/TPO Decision Level: Delegated

Proposal: To fell Ash tree and prune Sycamore tree on land at Appleby

House (TPO BOL07/95)

Location: 7A Meden Avenue New Houghton Mansfield NG19 8SP

Applicant: Ms Kathleen Powell

RESOLVED that no objections be raised

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

None

Notification of Decision

Application for Lawful Existing Use or Development

Application No: 20/00263/LAWEX Decision Level:

Delegated

Proposal: Single storey rear extension.

Location: 6 Florence Close Pleasley Mansfield NG19 7TB

Applicant: Mrs Rachel Goodwin-Emberton

Application has been allowed.

Application No: 20/00266/FUL Decision Level: Delegated

Proposal: Proposed bin store enclosure to serve plots 11 & 14.

Location: 1 Verney Meadow New Houghton Mansfield NG19 8FH

Applicant: Mr Daniel Williams

Application approved subject to one condition.

Part 2-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

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

149/20 Accounts

Expenditure			
Cheque No	<u>To</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0559	TIS Ltd	Call out to alarm fault at Verney Institute	£119.40
0560	Stannah	Servicing of stairlift at Verney Institute (25/5/20 to 24/5/21)	£151.08
0561	C & L Janitorial Ltd	Personal Protective Equipment for Parish Council Employees	£67.00
0562	Bolsover District Council	Dog/Litter bin emptying 1 April to 30 June 2020	£764,40
0563	TIS Ltd	Supply, install and commission a replacement keypad for Verney Alarm	£337.80
0564	Shirebrook Town Council	Hire of outreach chair aerobics instructor for exercise class (10 and 17 March 2020)	£40.00
0565	Woolley Moor Nurseries Ltd	Supply and maintenance of Hanging Baskets	£5760.00
0566	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Cleaning of bus shelters (July 2020)	£67.18
0567	J H Wright	Reimbursement for computer headphone set used for participation in remote meetings for Parish Council	£29.99
0568	N Pocklington	Reimbursement for computer ink and stationery for use at Verney	£52.79
0569 to 0573	Employees	Wages and expenses	£3060.06
0574	HMRC	Tax and NIC	£200.74
0575	D J M Perkins	Cleaning of windows at Verney Institute	£30.00
0576	PSB Services	Internal Audit	£150.00
0577 to 0581	Employees	Wages and expenses	£3097.08
0582	HMRC	Tax and NIC	£215.74
0583	ASI Security Systems Ltd	Replacement battery for alarm at New Houghton Community Centre	£23.94
0584	Civic Pride UK Ltd	Lamppost testing for Hanging Baskets	£486.00

Income

Paid into bank	11/8/20	28/8/20
Cemetery	25.00	2000.00
Verney	85.38	
Total (£)	110.38	2000.00

Total Balance as at 3 August 2020	£94,141.65
Balance of building society account as at 3 August 2020	£40,650.04
Balance of bank current account as at 3 August 2020	£53,491.61

Signed	
Chairman	