

PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 5 September 2016

Present

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

Councillors I Allen, Mrs V Douglas, D M Gamble, D Gelsthorpe, Mrs J Jones, N Jordan and T Kirkham

Also present

County Councillor Mrs M Stockdale

PCSO K Newton-Jones (Police Representative)

PART1 NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

152/16

Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P M Bowmer, who was on holiday.

153/16

Declaration of Members interests

None

154/16

Dispensation granted to Members declaring disclosable pecuniary interests in an agenda item

None

155/16

Public Participation

(i) There were no members of the public present.

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

PCSO K Newton-Jones attended the meeting and referred members to the Derbyshire Police website for published local crime statistics.

She also reported that the police were aware of the abandoned vehicle near the roundabout.

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

Councillor Stockdale reported on the possible closure of Bolsover Hospital, which was announced at the end of June;

no final decision will be made until the end of the 90 day public consultation period.

She also reported on a response received from Derbyshire County Council following an enquiry as to why the 'Your Derbyshire' magazine was not distributed to households in the Pleasley Parish. The reply received was similar to that received by the Clerk, referred to in Minute 166/16 (v). She also advised that a request had been made, to Derbyshire County Council, to clarify responsibility for some aspects of path maintenance in the Parish. However, due to heavy staffing cuts in this County Council Department, response times were slow.

(iv) **Report of the District Councillor Mrs P M Bowmer**

None

156/16

Date of next Meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 3 October 2016 in the Verney Institute, Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley and that the meeting for September be provisionally fixed for Monday 7 November 2016.

157/16

Minutes of Last Meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of Annual Parish Council meeting held on 4 July 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

158/16

Chairman's Announcements

None

159/16

Allotments

The Clerk reported that the hedge had been cut at the Meden Avenue Allotment site.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

160/16

Cemetery

The installation of a public water tap at the Pleasley Parish Council Cemetery was discussed and it was

RESOLVED that an investigation is made into the feasibility and cost of mains water connection and installation of a tap.

161/16

Footpaths

The Clerk reported that the cutting back of vegetation and overhanging branches was on-going on footpath 11 at the top of Terrace Lane and further work was planned on the approach to the footbridge over the A617, after the bottom of Booth Avenue, going towards St Michael's Church.

RESOLVED that the report be noted

162/16

Highways

The Clerk reported that the application to erect a bus shelter on Chesterfield Road, at the Bus Stand, near Meden Vale Engineering, has been approved. Derbyshire County Council will now arrange for the shelter base and kerbs to be installed and will keep the Parish Council informed of progress.

A discussion was held about the condition of the two bus shelters, adjacent to and opposite to Anthony Bek Primary School, on the A617 Chesterfield Road. The Clerk indicated that any bus shelter replacements would normally qualify for the 50% grant scheme subject to a site inspection and acceptance of the recommendations of a formal proposal from Derbyshire County Council.

There was also a short discussion following a concern raised about the lighting near the footbridge, over the A617, on Chesterfield Road. County Councillor Marian Stockdale offered to arrange a site visit with Derbyshire County Council to look at this issue and also to assess the condition of the two bus shelters with a view to possible replacement.

RESOLVED that the content of the report be noted and, when available, the content of the site visit report will be considered at a future meeting.

163/16

New Houghton Community Centre

The Clerk reported that the internal decoration of the Community Centre had been completed.

It was also reported that a Business Rates payment of £1440.00, representing the backdated liability for 2015/16, and the first payment for 2016/17 have been made. A letter requesting a review of the decision to apply a rating liability to NHCC has been sent to the Valuation Office. No reply has been received and if the liability is not removed, or reduced, then the opportunity to make a formal appeal still remains.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

Update on Open Door Computer Group

Councillor Gamble indicated that there had been some progress towards resolving the printing issues previously reported.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

164/16

Recreation Grounds

- (i) The Clerk reported on a telephone complaint received about Anti-Social Behaviour, taking place on one particular seat on Rotherham Road Recreation Ground. After a short discussion, it was

RESOLVED that seat will be re-located to another part of the Recreation Ground.

- (ii) The Clerk reported attendance statistics to date for the Street Sports activity sessions, run by Bolsover District Council, at the Rotherham Road Recreation Ground.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

- (iii) There was a short discussion about increasing the provision of litter bins, dog poo bins and poo bag dispensers near the Rotherham Road Recreation Ground and in Pleasley.

RESOLVED that a request will be made to Bolsover District Council for an additional dog poo bin and litter bin at the Rotherham Road Recreation Ground. A survey will be conducted to confirm the suitable location of an additional dog poo bag dispenser in Pleasley, and considered for approval at a future meeting.

165/16

Street Lighting

None

166/16

Correspondence

The following items of general correspondence have been received:

- (i) Card from Mrs Bingley thanking the Parish Council for the grant towards the staging of the Well Dressing and Flower Festival at St. Michael's Church

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

- (ii) Letter from the John Eastwood Hospice Trust thanking the Parish Council for the donation of £352.75 raised from the Scarecrow Festival.

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

- (iii) Letter from Bolsover District Council confirming the Tree Preservation Order No. BOL/16/101 for trees at Hardwick View Close, New Houghton.

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

- (iv) A letter and an email, from two different Parish residents, sent in response to the request to remove an unauthorised grave kerb The Clerk reported on the two separate responses received. It was

RESOLVED that an appropriate reply would be sent by the Clerk to acknowledge the content of each and re-affirm the request to remove the unauthorised kerb.

- (v) Email from a Parish resident regarding the exclusion of Pleasley from the distribution of the 'Your Derbyshire' magazine published by Derbyshire County Council'. The Clerk reported that a letter had been sent to Derbyshire County Council asking for clarification of their distribution policy for this magazine. The reply stated that under the current contract with Royal Mail they are unfortunately unable to deliver to a small number of postcodes which straddle the Derbyshire/Nottinghamshire border. It also requested the full postcode of the Pleasley resident, to see if this reason applied to their home.

RESOLVED that the contents be noted and that the Clerk will supply Derbyshire County Council with a list of all Pleasley Parish postcodes who are not currently in receipt of this magazine.

167/16

DALC Circular 11,12 and 13

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

168/16

Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter

The Chairman reported that the next edition of the Newsletter was in progress.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

169/16

Pleasley Parish Council's Web Site

No matters were raised under this item

RESOLVED that the report be noted

170/16

Report on the three Live and Local concerts arranged for the 2016/17 season

Councillor Gamble reported that the three bookings for the 2016/17 Live and Local season have been confirmed as:

3 December 2016 The Remi Harris Project in Concert

11 February 2017 Alaw in Concert

25 March 2017 Peacock Angell Trio

RESOLVED that the report be noted

171/16

Bank reconciliation at the end of July 2016

The Clerk presented the bank reconciliation and the accounts as at 31 July 2016. This was agreed.

RESOLVED that the bank statement and accounts are agreed

172/16

Report on External Audit by Grant Thornton for 2015/16

The Clerk reported that the report had been received from the external auditor. There were no matters reported relating to the accounts. However, the auditor commented that as a point of procedure it is necessary to demonstrate that the Annual Governance Statement was considered, approved and signed before the Accounting Statements.

RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted.

173/16

Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area

No matters were raised under this item.

174/16

Planning Matters

(i) Planning Applications

16/00348/OUT Residential development comprising up to 23 dwellings with associated physical infrastructure, access, parking, public realm and landscape proposals (renewal of previous planning permission). Location: Land to the East of Pleasley Pit Trust and South of Bank Villa Pit Lane, Pleasley: Ms Anastasjia Clayton.

RESOLVED that no objections be raised.

16/00371/TCON Felling of Alder (T1) and ornamental conifers (T2-T6) and replacing with Japanese Maple and hybrid tea and climbing roses. Location: 8 Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley: Mr Robert Hill.

RESOLVED that no objections be raised.

(ii) Notification of decisions

16/00270/FUL Erection of a two storey dwelling with integral garage. Location: Site of 25, Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley: Mrs Helen James.

Approved subject to five conditions.

Part 11-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

175/16 Accounts

Expenditure

<u>Cheque No</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3911	D J M Perkins	Window cleaning – Verney	£15.00
3912	D Gelsthorpe	Replacement padlocks for Terrace Lane Recreation Ground litter bins	£9.98
3913	TIS Ltd	New battery for Verney Alarm System	£43.01
3914	Mick Plant	Print and deliver Newsletter Issue 45	£260.00
3915	IMI	Conservation work – Pleasley War Memorial	£2329.44
3916	New Houghton Kids Club	Summer Play Scheme	£250.00
3917	Crestra Ltd	Maintenance and repair work to Recreation Ground Play Equipment at Rotherham Road and Terrace Lane	£3780.00
3918 to 3923	Employees	Wages and Expenses	£2551.92
3924	HMRC	Tax and NI	£318.00
3925	Volunteer NHCC computer Group	Expenses	£61.60
3926	Mitchell Fire Protection Ltd	Test and service fire appliances NHCC	£40.80
3927	Bolsover District Council	Annual Inspection of Rotherham Road and Terrace Lane Recreation Ground	£171.00
3928	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Clean bus shelters	£61.56
3929	Bolsover District Council	Business Rates for New Houghton Community Centre (01.04.2015 – 01.04.2016)	£1440.00
3930	Bolsover District Council	Business Rates for New Houghton Community Centre (01.08.2016)	£178.00

3931	Grant Thornton UK LLP	External Audit Fee	£360.00
3932	PSB Services	Audit	£150.00
3933	BT plc	Broadband - Verney	£105.78
3934 to 3938	Employees	Wages and Expenses	£2491.54
3939	HMRC	Tax and NI	£318.20
3940	Amber Decorators (UK) Ltd	Internal Decoration of New Houghton Community Centre	£1916.40
3941	P Crouch	Cleaning materials and key cut for Verney Institute	£9.79
3942	N Pocklington	Labels and cable ties for display of Cemetery Notices	£3.30
3943	Bolsover District Council	Business Rates for New Houghton Community Centre (01.08.2016)	£182.00
3944	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Clean bus shelters	£61.56
3945	Pleasley Parochial Church Council	Total Rent payment for whole duration of 25 year lease of New Houghton Community Centre	£125.00

Income

Paid into bank	5/7/16 £	14/7/16	25/7/16	2/8/16	15/8/16	30/8/16
Cemetery	200.00			125.00		150.00
NHCC			140.00			
Computer Group	27.00			42.00		
Verney Institute	48.00	189.00	332.00	16.00	137.00	88.00
Newsletter Advertising	25.00					
	300.00	189.00	472.00	183.00	137.00	238.00

Balance at bank on 5 September 2016 £104,886.75

Signed.....
Chairman