

PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 18 JANUARY 2010

Present

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

Councillors D M Gamble, Mrs P Fisher, Mrs C Holland Mrs V Douglas, I Allen,
Mrs P Bowmer, G D Clarke and Mrs J Jones

Also present

County Councillor Mrs M Stockdale

Chris Breese the Chad

PC Stephen Browett and PC Gemma Booth Police representatives

Public Participation

No members of the public were present

Report of the Police Representative

The Police representative gave the following crime figures:

Criminal Damage	1
Dwelling burglary	1
Non dwelling burglary	0
Theft from motor vehicle	0
Theft of motor vehicle	0
Violence	0

He reported that these figures indicated a very low level of criminal activity. He also made comment on the overall crime figure for 2009 which again indicated a low level of criminal activity for the Pleasley Parish Council area the numbers reducing from 277 for 2008 to 255 for 2009.

A member raised the question of receiving feedback on the detection of the reported crimes and PC Browett indicated that he would be able to report on the crimes he dealt with and would look into how the other information could be reported.

Report of the County Councillor Mrs Stockdale

Councillor Stockdale reported that gritting had been a major issue for the County Council over the last two weeks and the issues were to be discussed at the next meeting of the County Council. She also indicated that the next problem would be dealing with the potholes that would inevitably appear as a result of the recent bad weather.

The question of the "Pleasley" sign was raised members indicating that they felt that the size of the sign was not what was agreed. Councillor Stockdale indicated she would raise this again with the officer but that the response that

she had last time was that it was the standard size for that location.

Report of District Councillor Mrs P M Bowmer

Councillor Bowmer indicated that that she would answer any questions members might have. No issues were raised.

1/10 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2/10 Declaration of Members interests

There was no declaration of member's interests.

3/10 Date of next Meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 1 February 2010 in the Verney Institute, Newboundmill Lane Pleasley.

4/10 Minutes of Last Meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 December 2009 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5/10 Chairman's Announcements

There were no Chairman's announcements

6/10 Footpath adjacent to the Miner's Welfare from New Terrace to Chesterfield Road

Councillor Holland declared a personal interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or the voting.

The Clerk indicated that Derbyshire County Council had given the following information:

Adoption of pedestrian route.

If the path was to be adopted it would have to be brought up to full adoption standards. This would mean providing edgings to either side of the footpath at an estimated cost of £8000 and the replacement of the sub-base, binder and wearing course which would cost in excess of £13700. These figures are not a detailed list of remedial works and do not include works to the concrete steps which may be considerable.

Footpath claim as a public right of way

If the claim that the footpath is a public right of way is accepted the

County Council becomes responsible for the surface of the footpath which they would maintain to a similar condition as existing. They would not maintain the street lighting or any fencing.

Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that the Parish Council puts a claim into the County Council that the footpath is a public right of way under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

New Houghton Community Centre

7/10 Update on Proposed Open Door Computer Group

The Clerk reported that he had received an updated quotation from Purple Zebra for the provision of the computer equipment telephone line and broadband. The Supervisors job and the volunteering positions had been advertised and to date three responses had been received. Councillor Allen confirmed he was able to act as Co-ordinator and Volunteer. It was therefore proposed to carry out the interviews and place the appropriate orders.

RESOLVED that

- (i) Councillor Allen be appointed as Co-ordinator/ Volunteer for the project
- (ii) An order be placed with Purple Zebra for the supply, setting up and maintenance of the computer equipment
- (iii) An order be placed for a new telephone line
- (iv) An order for broadband be placed with Entanet and the appropriate direct debits be signed

Recreation Areas

8/10 Play Area Terrace Lane Pleasley

The Clerk reported that quotations had been received for play equipment to re-furbish the play area. CVP had been approached and had agreed to put in a grant application for a contribution towards the re-furbishment and a meeting with CVP would be arranged in the near future

RESOLVED that the report be noted

9/10 Lighting Column to footpath from Recreation Road alongside Recreation Ground

The Clerk reported that he had contacted Derbyshire County Council with a request for the provision of a lighting column on the footpath to the rear of the properties in Recreation Road. The County Council has indicated that the column would have to be funded by the Parish

Council since the footpath is not adopted and that the Parish Council would also have to meet all future costs for this column. They indicated that a column would cost in the region of £1200 plus the cost of providing an electric cable from the highway. This would be in the region of £60/m. Based on a cable length of 30m the cost of the column would be around £3000. The annual maintenance cost would be around £70 per year. The permission of the landowner of the footpath will be required.

Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that the County Council be asked to proceed with provision of the lighting column the Parish Council meeting the costs.

10/10 Correspondence

The following items of general correspondence have been received:

- (i) **Letter from Derbyshire County Council enclosing winter maintenance programme**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (ii) **Letter from Derbyshire Sports concerning the Jog Derbyshire Initiative with a small article for the Newsletter.**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (iii) **Letter from Derbyshire Constabulary introducing Inspector G L Lamin as the new Inspector for the Bolsover Section**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (iv) **E mail from Rebecca Pennyfather concerning a grant application to the NE Derbyshire Accessibility Partnership for the provision of a bus service once a week**

RESOLVED that the item be included on the agenda for the next meeting of the Parish Council

- (v) **CVP's newsletter issue 12**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (vii) **Letter for East Midlands Fire and Rescue Control Centre**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

(viii) **E-mails concerning grit bins.**

The Clerk reported that a request for a grit bin had been received from the doctor's surgery at the top of the footpath from Booth Avenue on Chesterfield Road. He was also aware that a grit bin was missing from Church Lane and that he had been requested to provide a grit bin at the cemetery end of Church Lane.

Derbyshire County Council has a small budget for the provision of grit bins including the first fill with grit. If a bin is provided by that scheme the Parish Council would then have to pay for subsequent fills with grit.

Alternatively the Parish Council may order a grit bin and subject to the location being agreed with Derbyshire County Council they will provide the grit bin including the first fill of grit at a cost of £252.06. The Parish Council would then be responsible for subsequent fills.

Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that a list of proposed location for grit bins be submitted to Derbyshire County Council requesting that they provide these bins the Parish Council being responsible for subsequent fillings.

(ix) **Letter from Bolsover Countryside Partnership concerning a consultation event at Sherwood Lodge on the 27 January 2010**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

(x) **Letter from Mr Elliot 15 Nightingale Avenue Pleasley concerning the chicanes on Newboundmill Lane Pleasley**

RESOLVED that the letter be passed onto Derbyshire County Council as highway Authority

11/10 DALC Circulars

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

12/10 Feedback from Bolsover LSP meeting

Councillor Holland and Councillor Gamble gave feedback from the LSP meetings they had attended.

RESOLVED that the report be noted

13/10 Production of a Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter

The Chairman reported that the next edition of the Newsletter was being printed. Councillor Gamble indicated that he had tried to meet with the printers to discuss the formatting of the Newsletter but to date had not been able to meet with them.

RESOLVED that the report be noted

14/10 Please Parish Council Web Site

The Clerk reported that the photograph of the new member had been included on the web site

RESOLVED that the report be noted

15/10 Proposed Pleasley Scarecrow Festival

The Chairman reported that as a result of the weather the Committee had not met. He hoped that a meeting would be called in the near future. He also recommended that an additional member be included on the Committee from New Houghton. The area to be covered by the festival was also discussed and it was suggested that it should be open to all the Parish Council's area but that this would depend on entries.

RESOLVED that

- (i) Councillor Douglas be included on the Scarecrow Festival Committee
- (ii) the festival shall cover the whole of the Parish Council's area

16/10 Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area

No matters were raised under this item

17/10 Planning Matters

The following applications were referred to

09/00603/LBC Erection of a 6m high white fibreglass flagpole (125mm at base and 65mm at top) to fly union jack and St. Georges flag The Verney Institute 13 Newboundmill Lane Pleasley Pleasley Parish Council

RESOLVED no objection

Planning Applications-Notification of decisions

09/00508/TPO To fell one Beech Tree 9 Booth Avenue Pleasley Mr James Marson approved subject to 1 condition

18/10 Accounts

Expenditure

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<u>Cheque No</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2579	Glapwell Nurseries	Hanging baskets	£6440.00
2580	J Roddy	Safety boots	£28.98
2581	St John's Ambulance	Donation	£50.00
2582	Communication Corporation	Copy of Clerks magazine	£30.00
2583	Wages	Wages and telephone This cheque replaces one for December which was not delivered and therefore cancelled	£453.88
2584 to 2587	Employees	Wages and expenses	£1872.64
2588	HM Customs & Revenue	Tax and NI	£332.08
2589	Shirebrook Newspapers Ltd	Print and deliver Newsletter	£265.00
2590	BT	Telephone NHCC	£61.02
2591	Shelter Maintenance	Clean bus shelters	£57.03
2592	Automated Security Installations	Repair to alarm system NHCC	£80.88

Income

Paid into bank **4/01/2010**

New Houghton Community Centre £190.00

Verney Institute £287.00

Total £477.00

Balance at bank 4/01/2010 **£152934.28**

RESOLVED that the expenditure identified above be approved for payment and the income and balance at the bank be noted.

19/10 Exclusion of the Public

RESOLVED 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 obligations of confidence as defined in Section 100a(2) of the Local Government Act 1972

20/10 Precept Requirements/ Budget 2010/2011

Arising from the discussion on the Parish Council's budget for 2010/2011 it was:

RESOLVED that

- (i) the estimate of expenditure for 2010 set out in column 5 of the budget attached to these minutes be approved
- (ii) Bolsover District Council be informed that the Parish Precept requirement expressed in cash terms is £75000

21/10 Update on the project for the refurbishment of the Play Area at Rotherham Road New Houghton

The Clerk reported the he had had a meeting with Mike Braburn of Groundwork Cresswell and it would appear that the application for grant had not been submitted to Viola. It also appears that the second grant application to BIFFA had not been submitted. He was proposing that if the Parish Council wished to proceed with Groundwork Cresswell they would submit an application to Viola for the grant which had to be in by April 2010. He also indicated he could look into the prospects of submitting other grants and advise the Parish Council.

Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that

- (i) a letter be sent to Groundwork seeking clarification on the application that have been submitted and asking for copies of any rejection letters
- (ii) Groundwork Creswell be asked to continue submitting the grant application in accordance with their recommendations.

Signed.....

Chairman