

**PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON 6 June 2011**

**Present**

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

Councillors D M Gamble, Mrs V Douglas, Mrs P Fisher, I Allen, Mrs P M Bowmer,  
T Kirkham and Mrs J Jones

Also present

Ben McVey The Chad  
County Councillor Mrs M Stockdale  
Police representative PC Tony Bagshaw

**PART 1 NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

Carol Avison sent her apologies for not attending the meeting but provided a report giving the information she had intended to present The Clerk presented this report indicating that additional funding had been made available which will enable work to be done to roofs on all 40 properties on Portland Street. The work will include work on the rainwater goods but will not include any internal works. Funding has also been made available to upgrade the back road between Crompton Street and Verney Street. She also indicated that Meden Valley had a Legacy Fund for small community grants in core project areas. New Houghton Community are applying for a grant for improvements to a flower bed on the Millennium Green and that Pleasley Parish Council would be eligible for a small grant towards planned improvements to Terrace Lane recreation area.

A discussion took place about the project when concern was expressed by a member about the work that he understood was in the original scheme that had not been carried out.

**109/11 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor N Jordan who was not able to attend the meeting due to illness.

**110/11 Declaration of Members interests**

There was no declaration of Members interests.

**111/11 Public Participation**

**(i) Members of the Public's comments**

There were no members of the public present.

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

Pc Tony Bagshaw introduced himself to members since he had replaced Pc Stephen Browett

He gave the following crime figures

Violence	3
Theft of motor vehicle	1
Interference with motor vehicle	1
Non dwelling burglary	2

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

Councillor Stockdale indicated that a petition had been received in connection with traffic speeding on Terrace Lane and that this was being dealt with by County Council Officers. She also indicated that building work had started on the Academy School at Shirebrook. She had received the letter concerning the temporary closure of the Post Office at New Houghton and had expressed her concern about the loss of that facility

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

Councillor Bowmer gave details of the changes to the waste collection service provided by Bolsover District Council. She also indicated that alternative premises were being investigated for the post office.

(iv) **Representation made by a Member declaring a Prejudicial Interest**

None

**112/11 Date of next Meeting**

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 4 July in the Verney Institute, Newboundmill Lane Pleasley.

**113/11 Minutes of Last Meeting**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 March 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**114/11 Chairman's Announcements**

There were no Chairman's announcements

**115/11 Highways**

The Clerk reported that a petition had been received in respect of speeding vehicles in Terrace Lane Pleasley. He indicated that although the main concerns are the responsibility of the Highway Authority mention in the petition

was made of the safety of children leaving the play area. He asked members if the County Council view it necessary whether the Parish Council would fund a sign warning motorists of the presence of the recreation area. Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that subject to Derbyshire County Council indicating a sign was needed the Parish Council would fund such a sign warning motorist of the presence of the recreation area.

### **New Houghton Community Centre**

#### **116/11 Update on Open Door Computer Group**

Councillor Gamble reported that sessions were still being well attended particularly the morning session. He indicated that a meeting of the working party set up to oversee the computer group be held to review the charges for printing.

RESOLVED that the report be noted

### **Recreation Areas**

#### **117/11 Update on the project for the refurbishment of the play area at Rotherham Road New Houghton**

The Clerk reported that work on site on the scheme was now complete. However following an inspection of the play area certain works were still needed which had not been included in the original scheme. Wider gates were required to enable access for mowing machines in the future. Also old signs needed removing and the surround to the old sand pit needed taking up.

The Clerk also reported that a date needed to be fixed to formally open the play area. Following a discussion it was

RESOLVED that:

- (i) approval be given to the Clerk to arrange for the addition work to be carried out by Crestra Ltd as part of the contract
- (ii) A formal opening of the play area be arranged for the 25 July 2011 at 11.30am

#### **118/11 Play Area Terrace Lane Pleasley**

The Clerk reported that the completed questionnaires had been sent to Groundwork Creswell and that they were preparing the grant application. He also reported that he had confirmed with Bolsover District Council that a sum of £13990 was available through the Section 106 agreement for the development at New Terrace as a contribution to the refurbishment of the play area. Following a discussion it was resolved

RESOLVED that Groundwork Creswell continue to prepare the grant

application taking account of the section 106 money available

**119/11 Grant application to Legacy Fund operated by Meden Valley Making Places for improvements to Terrace Lane recreation area**

The Clerk reported that a grant of up to £2500 is available from Meden Valley Making Places for improvements to the Terrace Lane recreation area. It was proposed that this should be for benches to be put on the recreation area.

RESOLVED that an application for a grant be submitted to Meden valley making places for benches to be placed on the recreation area

**120/11 Correspondence**

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

- (i) **Letter from Pleasley Parochial Church Council concerning the removal of and use of the memorial stone in Christchurch New Houghton by Pleasley Parish Council**

The Clerk reported that a letter had been received from Pleasley Parochial Church Council indicating that following an approach from the Chairman of the Parish Council they would have no objections to the removal of the memorial stone subject to the void created being made good. Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that the stone be removed by Pleasley Parish Council, the void made good and the stone set as a plinth under the war memorial which was due to be re-sited.

- (ii) **Letter from Clowne and District Community Transport giving details of their AGM on 21 June 2011**

RESOLVED that contents be noted

- (iii) **Letter from Derbyshire County Council concerning energy saving proposals. They were considering switching off the street lights between midnight and 5.30am and were consulting on this proposal. Any comment should be made to Derbyshire County Council.**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (iv) **Letter from Derbyshire Fire and Rescue following a review of emergency cover. Comments to [www.derbys-fire.gov.uk](http://www.derbys-fire.gov.uk)**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

**121/11 DALC Circulars 28 to 30**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

**122/11 Feedback from Bolsover LSP meeting**

Councillor Gamble gave an update on the LSP. The Clerk indicated that representatives to the subject groups were needed. It was agreed that Councillor Gamble and Councillor Kirkham would attend the LSP meetings with Councillor Allen attending as reserve

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**123/11 Production of a Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter**

No issues were raised

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**124/11 Pleasley Parish Council Web Site**

The Clerk reported that the web site was now up to date and that Bolsover District Council would attend the next meeting of the Parish Council

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**125/11 Royal Wedding Mugs**

Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that resident had until 30 June 2011 to claim their mugs and that after the 30 July they would be sold at £2.50 each.

**126/11 Report on the re-siting of the War Memorial at present located in the grounds of Christchurch New Houghton**

The Chairman indicated that it was proposed to use the memorial stone from Christchurch as part of the plinth to the war memorial.

RESOLVED that the memorial stone from Christchurch be used as part of the plinth to war memorial

**127/11 Update on Scarecrow Festival**

The Chairman gave an update on the arrangements for the event

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**128/11 Proposals for a bulb planting scheme within the Pleasley Parish Council's area**

Councillor Gamble gave out set of photographs indicating the proposed sites that could be used and so members could look at the sites the item was deferred to the next meeting.

RESOLVED that the item be deferred to the next meeting

**129/11 Review of fees and charges**

Following a discussion the fees and charges set out on the attached sheet were approved. It was agreed that the charges to the Guides, the Good Companion Group and the Seaforth Highlanders Group remain as this year but that the charges to the Young Farmers be increased to £75.

RESOLVED that the fees and charges are as set out on the attached sheet and that all other charges remain as last year apart from the Young Farmers charge which is increased to £75

**130/11 Final Account for 2010/11, Internal Auditor's report, annual governance statement and risk assessment**

Following a discussion it was

RESOLVED that the Final Account, Auditors Report, risk assessment and governance statement be approved.

**131/11 Renewal of Parish Council's Insurance**

The Clerk reported that the insurers had offered a discount for a 3 year agreement and 16 months insurance for the cost of 12 months if the commencement date for the policy was moved to November. Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that the Council accepts this offer

**132/11 Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area**

No matters were raised under this item

**133/11 Planning Matters**

**Planning applications**

11/00212/FUL Single storey Rear Extension 8 Booth Avenue Pleasley Mr & Mrs G Allen

RESOLVED no objection be raised

## Planning Applications-Notification of decisions

None

### 134/11 Accounts

#### Expenditure

<u>Cheque No</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2850	Pleasley Well Dressing and St Michaels Flower Festival	Grant	£200
2851	Crestra Ltd	Paint Railings Play area New Houghton	£3598.56
2852	Crestra Ltd	Rotherham Road Play area	£4573.33
2853	Mick Plant	Print and deliver Newsletter	£230.00
2854	Shelter Maintenance	Clean bus shelters	£59.51
2855	BT Payment Services	Broadband Verney	£102.56
2856	PC World	Printer cartridges and paper	£235.11
2857	Bolsover DC	Inspect play areas	£88.20
2858 to 2862	Employees	Wages and expenses	£2131.65
2863	HM Revenue and Customs	Tax and NI	£336.62
2864	J H Wright	Chairman's allowance	£500.00
2865	PSB Services	Internal Audit	£500.00

#### Income

<b>Paid into bank</b>	<b>17/5/2011</b>
New Houghton Community Centre	£134.00
Verney Institute	£ 96.00
Cemetery	0
Allotments	£30.00
Total	£260.00
<b>Balance at bank 3/6/2011</b>	<b>£86118.02</b>

**Signed.....**

**Chairman**