PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 10 March 2009

Present

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

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

Also present
One member of the public (Mr Smart)
County Councillor Mrs M Stockdale
PC Dave Hancock

Public Participation
The member of the public raised the question of speeding of vehicles in Terrace Lane. The police representative indicated he would look into it. He also raised the question of damage to the highway by the contractor constructing the houses at New Terrace. It was indicated to him that this was a matter for Derbyshire County Council who would be aware of the works and take the appropriate action.

Report of the Police Representative

The Police Representative indicated that there had been 10 incidents but that he had not got a breakdown. He gave some more information about the children's home which did not seem to be causing any significant problems.

Report of the County Councillor Mrs Stockdale

Councillor Stockdale gave details of the Council Tax set by Derbyshire County Council. She also gave details of a campaign call "Quids In". The intention is to try and encourage people to claim the benefits they are entitle to particularly for low-income families. The aim is for someone to complete the form provided by Derbyshire County Council and return it to them who will give advice on benefit entitlement. She also indicated that she would give the Parish Council a grant of £250 from the DCC leadership fund towards the cost of the hanging baskets.

Report of District Councillor Mrs P M Bowmer

Councillor Mrs Bowmer gave details of the Council tax set by Bolsover District Council. She also agreed to answer any questions members may have. No matters were raised

33/09 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Priest and N Jordan who was covering for someone at work.

34/09 Declaration of Members interests

There was no declaration of Members interests.

35/09 Date of next Meeting

RESOLVED the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 6 April 2009 in the Verney Institute, Newboundmill Lane Pleasley.

36/09 Minutes of Last Meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on the 9 February 2009 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

37/09 **Chair's Announcements**

There was no Chair's announcement.

38/09 Cemetery grounds maintenance

A letter has been received from Bolsover District Council quoting the sum of £1425.51 plus vat for the grounds maintenance of the Cemetery for 2009/10

RESOLVED that the quotation from Bolsover District Council in the sum of £1425.51 be accepted for the grounds maintenance of the cemetery for 2009

39/09 New Houghton Community Centre

i) Update on Proposed Young Persons Drop in Centre

The Clerk gave details of the costings for the proposed scheme as follows:
Capital cost £5130

Annual revenue costs £5432
The annual revenue cost included an allowance for a part time supervisor.
It was also noted that Councillor Stockdale had put a scheme forward for a grant of £5000 to cover the capital cost. After some discussion it was:

RESOLVED that
i) the report of the Clerk be noted

ii) it be confirmed that the Parish Council wishes to proceed with the scheme using the grant from the County Council subject to it being approved

iii) further consideration be given at the next meeting as to how the sessions will be managed

Recreation Areas

40/09 Play Area Rotherham Road

The Clerk had received an updated report from Groundwork Creswell, which did not add anything further to the report that he gave to members at the last meeting. The Clerk indicated that following the last meeting he had written to Groundwork Creswell requesting that they continue with the submitting a new grant application. Members expressed their concern about the time this project was taking.

RESOLVED that the Clerk would write to Groundwork Creswell emphasising the need to progress the revised grant application as quickly as possible

41/09 Recreation Areas Grounds Maintenance

A letter has been received from Bolsover District Council advising that the cost of grounds maintenance of the recreation grounds at Rotherham Road and Terrace Lane will be £898.87 plus vat for 2009/10

RESOLVE that the quotation from Bolsover District Council in the sum of £898.87 for the maintenance of the recreation areas at Rotherham Road and Terrace Lane be accepted

42/09 Correspondence

The following items of general correspondence have been received:

Councillor Mrs P Bowmer declared a personal interest in item a) and took no part in the discussion or the voting

(a) **Letter from New Houghton Millennium Green Trust requesting financial support towards the maintenance of the green this year**

RESOLVED that a grant of £500 be agreed towards the cost of the maintenance of the millennium green by the New Houghton Millennium Green Trust

(b) **Letter from Diocese of Derby giving the latest position on the New Houghton Christ Church closure**

RESOLVED that a letter from the Parish Council be sent to the Diocese of Derby indicating that the Parish Council may be interested in taking over the church subject to the Parish Council being able to obtain a suitable grant towards the cost of re-furbishing the building.

(c) **Letter from Derbyshire Children's Holiday Centre requesting financial support for 2009**

RESOLVED that a grant of £100 be given

(d) **Letter from Derbyshire County Council advising that they will be responsible for civil parking enforcement from 19 February 2009**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

(e) **Letter from Bolsover District Council requesting a £100 contribution for 2009/10 towards the cost of the purchase of poop scoop bags.**

RESOLVED that a contribution of £100 is made to Bolsover District Council towards the purchase of poop scoop bags

(f) **Letter from PHS Group indicating that they will only allow their accounts to be paid by direct debit in future. They collect sanitary waste from the Verney Institute and New Houghton Community Centre.**

RESOLVED that standing orders be suspended to allow the account to PHS Group to be paid by direct debit.

(g) **Request from DALC for the renewal of the Parish Council annual membership at a cost of £480.27 and the annual membership of the Association of burial authorities at a cost of £60.**

RESOLVED that the Parish Council's annual membership of DALC be renewed at a cost of £480.27 and the annual membership of the Association of Burial Authorities be renewed at a cost of £60.

43/09 Production of a Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter

No issues were raised under this item

RESOLVED that the report be noted

44/09 Establishment of a Pleasley Parish Web Site

No issues were raised under this item.

RESOLVED that the report be noted

45/09 Provision of hanging baskets in the Parish

The Clerk indicated that he had receive the application form from Derbyshire County Council and that all that was required now was a list of the lamp columns to be used.

RESOLVED that the report be noted

46/09 Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area

No matters were raised under this item

47/09 Planning Matters

(Councillor Mrs P M Bowmer, who is a member of the District Council Planning Committee, took no part in the discussion or voting on the following planning applications.)

The following applications were referred to

No applications were received for comment

Planning Applications-Notification of decisions

08/00752/FUL Two storey rear extension (second floor in roof space) including raising ridge height 4 Pit Lane Pleasley Mr Simon Thompson Approved subject to 1 condition

48/09 Accounts

Expenditure

Cheque No	To	For	Amount
2428 to 2431	Employees wages etc	Wages and expenses	£1810.00
2432	HM Revenue and Customs	Tax and NI	£309.67
2433	P Briggs	Light bulbs for spot light	£310.07
2434	PJD Cleaning Services	Cleaning windows and relief caretaker	£121.50

2435	Drainage 2000 Ltd	Camera survey of drain NHCC	£230
2436	British Gas Trading Ltd	Gas for Verney Institute	£180.69
2437	Shirebrook Newspapers Ltd	Newsletter and useful telephone numbers	£265.00
2438	Severn Trent Water	Water supply Verney Institute	£177.26
2439	P J Barnicoat Plant Ltd	Repair drain NHCC	£1590.45
2440	P J Barnicoat Ltd	New drain to back door Verney Institute	£454.25
2441	Shelter Maintenance Co	Clean bus shelters	£57.03
2442	Drainage 2000 Ltd	Camera survey of Drain NHCC	£207.00
2443	British Telecom	Internet Verney Institute	£98.29

Income

Paid into bank	**16/02/09**	
New Houghton Community Centre	£590.00	
Verney Institute	£176.50	
Cemetery		
Total	£766.50	
Balance at bank	**16/02/09**	**£124979.13**

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

Signed……
Chair