

PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 13 MAY 2013**

Present

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

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

Also present

PCSO Dave Hancock (Police Representative)
6 members of the public

PART 1 NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

85/13 Election of Chairman of Pleasley Parish Council for the year of 2013/14

RESOLVED Councillor J H Wright be re-elected Chairman of the Council for the municipal year 2013/14

86/13 Election of Vice-Chairman of Pleasley Parish Council for the year 2013/14

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs P M Bowmer be re-elected Vice-Chairman for the municipal year 2013/14

87/13 Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies

(a) Community Centre Management Committee

RESOLVED that all the Parish Councillors be appointed to the New Houghton Community Centre and the Verney Institute Management Committees for the municipal year 2013/14 and where appropriate a representative of the bodies or organisations using the facilities be invited to attend the meetings.

(b) Pleasley Vale Park Area Conservation Partnership Scheme Advisory Committee

RESOLVED that Councillor J H Wright be appointed to represent the Parish Council on the above for the municipal year 2013/14

88/13 Apologies for absence

There were received from Councillor Mrs Fisher who was not well.

89/13 Declaration of Members interests

Councillor Wright declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in item 16.
Councillor Gamble declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in agenda item 11 (ix) (ii)

90/13 Dispensation granted to Members declaring disclosable pecuniary interests an agenda item

None

91/13 Public Participation

(i) Members of the Public's comments

Mrs Lawton spoke concerning an article which appeared in the April edition of the Newsletter "Avoiding Selling Your Home" indicating that she found the tone of the article particularly offensive. A discussion took place and it was indicated on the part of the Parish Council that it was not intended to cause any offence and that her letter of complaint was on the agenda and she would receive a letter indicating what action the Parish Council would take.

(ii) Report of the Police Representative

The Police Representative gave the following crime figures:

Criminal damage	2
Dwelling burglary	1
Non dwelling burglary	1
Attempted non dwelling burglary	1
Robbery	1
Assault	1

The Police representative indicated that over the last two weeks there had been a significant increase in burglaries which will increase the crime figures for next month. They were targeting elderly females.

(iii) Report of the County Councillor

Councillor Mrs Stockdale was not able to attend the meeting but had passed a written report to the Chairman which he passed onto members. She gave details of the results from the last election and commented on the areas the County Council will be concentrating on in the future.

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

Councillor Mrs Bowmer indicated that it was likely that Bolsover District Council will organise a band concert in the Parish Councils area next year. More information will be made available at a later date. She also

indicated that it seemed that the Community House at New Houghton would close. No other issues were raised.

92/13 Date of next Meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 24 June 2013 in the Verney Institute, Newboundmill Lane Pleasley.

93/13 Minutes of Last Meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 8 April 2013 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

94/13 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman indicated that Christchurch at New Houghton had been sold.

95/13 Cemetery

The Clerk reported that a letter had been received from Mr & Mrs Speed indicating that they no longer wished to retain the reserved grave space number 500 for which they paid a fee of £600. The fee of £600 had been set since they lived outside the Pleasley Parish Council's area. Following a discussion it was :

RESOLVED that it be recorded that grave space 500 is no longer reserved and the fee of £600 be refunded to Mr & Mrs Speed

New Houghton Community Centre

96/13 Update on Open Door Computer Group

Councillor Gamble reported that there were no new issues to raise. He confirmed that the project had been going for two years now and that 60 adults and 20 under 16's had been involved during that time.

RESOLVED that the report be noted

Recreation Areas

97/13 Update on the project for the refurbishment of the play area at Terrace Lane Pleasley

The Clerk reported that Veolia had indicated that the full grant as applied for had been approved. He gave details of the financing of the scheme and reminded member of what was proposed. It was necessary to invite tenders for the construction of the scheme and it was proposed to use the same contractors as for the Rotherham Road scheme. However if one of the contractors did not wish to tender substitutes would be used.

RESOLVED that

- (i) the grant of £49185.41 from Veolia for the refurbishment of the play area at Terrace Lane Pleasley be accepted
- (ii) the Parish Council's contribution of £10000 be agreed
- (iii) the funding details as set out on the attached sheet be agreed
- (iv) the scheme details as shown on the attached drawing be approved
- (v) Groundwork Creswell invite tenders from 4 contractors for the construction of the scheme
- (vi) the select list of contractors is SMP, Wickstead, Crestra and Playdale. In the event of a contractor not wish to tender the Clerk in consultation with Groundwork Creswell be given delegated powers to select an alternative contractor.

98/13 **Correspondence**

The following items of general correspondence have been received:

- (i) E-mail from Andy Heath on behalf of Bolsover Countryside Partnership concerning the mural project and the proposals for the Archaeological Way

RESOLVED that

- (i) A letter of support be sent for the Archaeological Way project and the Mural
- (ii) A grant of £100 be given towards the cost of producing the mural

Councillor Gamble having declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in the next item did not take part in the discussion or voting.

- (ii) **Letter from Pleasley Well Dressing & St Michael's Flower Festival requesting a grant towards the staging of the flower festival on the 6th to 10 July 2013**

RESOLVED that a grant of £200 be give towards the staging of the Pleasley Well Dressing & St Michael's Flower Festival

- (iii) Letter from Bolsover District Council concerning their Divisionary Outreach Programme for 2013/14 requesting the Parish Council takes part and funds the scheme in the Parish Council's area

RESOLVED that Bolsover District Council be informed that the Parish Council wishes to be included in the scheme and will meet the cost of putting on the sessions

99/13 **DALC Circulars 8 to 11**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

100/13 Feedback from Bolsover LSP meeting

Councillor Gamble advised that the last meeting of the LSP was cancelled

RESOLVED that the report be noted

101/13 Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter

The Clerk reported that a letter of complaint had been received from Mrs Lawton concerning the article "Avoiding Selling Your Home" which appeared in the April Newsletter. Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that

- (i) A letter be sent to Mrs Lawton apologising for any offence caused indicating that an apology would be included in the next Newsletter
- (ii) An item be included in the next Newsletter apologising for any offense caused as a result of the article

102/13 Pleasley Parish Council Web Site

The Clerk reported he would ensure the web site is updated now the person updating the site has returned from holiday

RESOLVED that the report be noted

103/13 Update on Scarecrow Festival

The Chairman indicated that all arrangements were now in place

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

104/13 Update on Live and Local project

The Clerk reported that an application had been made to Live and Local for performances in November 2013 and March 2014

RESOLVED that the report be noted

105/13 Report on the performance by the Library Theatre Touring Group

The Clerk reported that the Library Theatre Group has been booked to perform the 2 Talking Heads for Saturday 14th September 2013

RESOLVED that the report be noted

106/13 Review of fees and charges

The Clerk reported that it was necessary to review fees and charges annually Following a discussion it was agreed that they be set as for 2012/2013.

RESOLVED that the fees and charges as set out on the attached sheet be agreed for 2013/14 and that all other charges remain as last year

107/13 Final Account for 2011/12, Internal Auditors report ,Annual Governance Statement and Risk Assessment Statement

Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that the final account for 2012/13, Internal Auditors report, annual governance statement and risk assessment statement be approved

108/13 Review of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

The Clerk reported that Standing Orders and Financial Regulations should be reviewed at the Annual Meeting

RESOLVED that Standing Orders and Financial Regulations be approved without change

109/13 Co-option of a Parish Councillor

The Clerk reported that Mr Derek Gelsthorpe of Terrace Lane Pleasley was the only applicant to fill the vacancy for Parish Councillor. Following a discussion it was agreed that a special meeting be call on the 28th May 2013 to consider the co-option of Mr Gelsthorpe following Members being given the opportunity to meet him

RESOLVED that a special meeting of the Parish Council be called at 7pm on Tuesday 28th May 2013 at the Verney Institute to enable Member to meet Mr Gelsthorpe and consider his co-option as a Parish Councillor

110/13 Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area

The appearance of a property on Devonshire Street New Houghton was raised

RESOLVED that the Clerk write to the District Council asking that they look into the situation

111/13 Planning Matters

Planning applications

13/00134/FUL Single storey side extension 55 Newboundmill Lane Pleasley
Mr Carl Bowder

RESOLVED that no objection be raised

Planning Applications-Notification of decisions

13/00108/FUL Single storey extension to rear and pitched roof over garage (revised scheme) 54 Recreation Road New Houghton Mr P Millward Approved subject to 2 conditions.

112/13 Accounts

Expenditure

<u>Cheque No</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3230	Bolsover District Council	Trade waste contract Cemetery	£315.00
3231	Bolsover District Council	Trade Waste Contract New Houghton Community Centre	£225.00
3232	BT Payment Services	Telephone Verney Institute	£77.82
3233	BT Payment Services	Telephone Verney Institute	£77.89
3234	Live and Local	Fee for concert	£355.08
3235	PSB Services	Internal audit fee	£500.00
3236 to 3240	Employees	Wages and expenses	£2353.62
3241	Revenue and customs	Tax and NI	£282.65
3242	Mick Plant	Print and deliver Newsletter	£250.00
3243	Shelter Maintenance	Clean bus shelters	£59.40
3244	Julie Debic	Relief caretaker	£24.00

Income

Paid into bank	9/4/2013	19/4/2013	6/5/2013
New Houghton Community Centre			
Verney Institute	£ 148.00	£75.00	£304.00
Allotments		£132.50	£170.00
Cemetery		£400.00	
Live and Local	£149.00		
Scarecrow Festival Donation			
Hanging basket scheme grant DCC	£100.00		
Donation to Scarecrow festival			£50.00
Total	£397.00	£607.50	£524.00

Balance at bank on 9/5/2013 £142763.83

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

Part 11-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

113/13 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.

Councillor Wright having declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in the following item left the room and did not take part in the discussion or the voting

In the absence of the Chairman Councillor Mrs Bowmer, the Vice Chairman, took the chair for item114/12

114/12 Chairman’s allowance

The Clerk advised Members of the reason for the Chairman’s allowance and following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED that the Chairman’s allowance be set at £1000 for the municipal year 2013/14

**Signed.....
Chairman**