PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 6 March 2017

Present

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

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

Also present County Councillor Mrs M Stockdale One member of the public

PART1 NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

56/17 Apologies for absence

None

57/17 Declaration of Members interests

None

58/17 <u>Dispensation granted to Members declaring disclosable</u>

pecuniary interests in an agenda item

None

59/17 <u>Public Participation</u>

(i) The member of the public expressed concern about vehicles parking on the grassed area at the bottom of Deansgate, at its junction with Newboundmill Lane. This is an issue that has been raised on several occasions and Councillor Stockdale indicated that the Parish Council could consider applying, to Derbyshire County Council, for a licence to cultivate roadside verges.

(ii) Report of the Police Representative

No police representative was present at the meeting. Crime statistics for December 2016, from the Police website, were presented by the Clerk: Anti-Social Behaviour 5
Burglary 1
Criminal damage and arson 1
Drugs 2
Other theft 1
Possession of weapon 1
Vehicle crime 1
Violence and sexual offences 3

(iii) Report of the County Councillor

Councillor Stockdale reported that the application for funding for defibrillators, from the Community Projects Programme, was awaiting approval. It was also reported that there is a ten year programme to replace existing street lights with new LED lights. A response was also given to a question about the ongoing flooding problem near the Freedom Centre at New Houghton, caused by a problem with the drains; she explained that rectifying this would be very expensive, but a request has been made for this to be included in the Derbyshire County Council 2017 Capital Budget.

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

Councillor Bowmer reported that work to oppose the expansion of tipping at Glapwell, with the proposed development at Glapwell 3 landfill site, is being carried out by Ault Hucknall Environmental Action Group.

60/17 <u>Date of next Meeting</u>

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 3rd April 2017 at 7pm in the Verney Institute, Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley and that the date for the May Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Council meeting be provisionally agreed as Monday 8th May 2017.

61/17 Minutes of Last Meeting

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6 February 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

62/17 Chairman's Announcements

None

63/17 <u>Allotments</u>

(i) None

64/17 <u>Cemetery</u>

(i) The Clerk reported that the contractor had completed part of the work required at the Cemetery to install the tap and pipework for Severn Trent to connect to. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

65/17 <u>Footpaths</u>

(i) The Clerk reported that a small amount of the Derbyshire County Council Rights of Way Minor Maintenance Agreement allowance remains and would be used to clear surface vegetation from part of Footpath 27, which leads to the Church. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the report be noted and the Clerk organises for this work to be undertaken

66/17 Highways

(i) The Clerk reported that the bus shelters on the A617 Chesterfield Road, adjacent to and opposite Anthony Bek School, have been replaced. It was also reported that the Bus Shelter at the Bus Stand, near Meden Vale Engineering, still required the electrical connection to be completed by Eon. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

67/17 New Houghton Community Centre

(i) The Clerk reported that there was an issue with the toilets which suggested that work to unblock the drains was required. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Clerk should organise for this work to be undertaken.

(ii) <u>Update on Open Door Computer Group</u> Councillor Gamble reported attendance at the session is very good and there were no technical problems to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

68/17 Recreation Grounds

(i) None

69/17 <u>Street Lighting</u>

(i) None

70/17 <u>Verney Institute</u>

(i) The Clerk reported that vandalism had caused two broken window panes at the front of the building. It was also reported that maintenance was required on the main entrance gate. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Clerk would arrange for any necessary repairs and maintenance to be carried out.

71/17 <u>Correspondence</u>

The following items of general correspondence have been received:

(i) Email about the BNED LEADER Programme. The Clerk outlined the key features of this programme and examples of its previous use in the local area

RESOLVED that the contents be noted and information about the programme is displayed on the Parish Notice Boards and published in the Newsletter

(ii) Email about Sport England's Community Asset Fund

The Clerk outlined the opportunity for Community organisations, clubs, statutory bodies and educational establishments (but not the Parish Council) to apply for investments for projects which create or improve opportunities to play sport and get active in local communities.

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

(iii) Letter of thanks from the Friends of Pleasley Pit for the grant towards funding a new drive system for the re-built South steam engine. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

72/17 Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter

The Chairman reported that the April issue was nearly complete. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

73/17 <u>Pleasley Parish Council's Web Site</u>

None

74/17 Live and Local

Cllr gamble reported that final ticket sales for the Alaw concert on 11 February 2017 were 37 and details of the income and expenditure were presented. It was reported that the evening was very successful. It was also reported that tickets for the next concert, which is the Peacock Angell Trio on 25 March 2017, were on-going. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

75/17 Installation of defibrillators

Further to Councillor Stockdale's report at the meeting (59/17 iii) on this issue. The Clerk confirmed that a meeting between members of the two community groups and Councillor Stockdale had taken place on Thursday 16 February 2017 as part of the application process for funding the purchase of two defibrillators, from the Community Projects Programme. There was a short discussion about the possible location of the defibrillator at New Houghton. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that further investigation would be made by Councillor Bowmer about the possibility of installing a defibrillator at the Freedom Centre

76/17 DALC Circular number 3

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

77/17 DALC Subscription 2017/18

The Clerk reported that the annual subscription was due for renewal at a cost of £514.83

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the annual subscription with DALC for £514.83 be renewed.

78/17 Report on employee wages and the National Minimum/National Living wage

The Clerk reported that from 1st April 2017 the National Living Wage rate will increase to £7.50 per hour. It was also reported that the salary of the Clerk would increase in accordance with the contract of employment and changes in the National Pay Scale.

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the council will pay all employees in accordance with the current legal requirements

79/17 Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area

No matters were raised under this item.

80/17 **Planning Matters**

Planning Applications
17/00087/FUL Erection of shed to front, 25, Meden Avenue, New Houghton: John Webster

RESOLVED that no objections be raised.

81/17 **Accounts**

Expenditure Cheque No 4038	<u>To</u> Friends of Pleasley Pit	<u>For</u> S137 Grant	<u>Amount</u> £500.00
4036	Friends of Fleasiey Fit	3137 Giaill	2300.00
4039	Mitchell Fire Protection Ltd	Test and service fire appliances - Verney	£107.28
4040	Lynda Fletcher	Maintain Website	£312.50
4041	BT Payphones	Purchase of telephone kiosk	£1.00
4042	T Clarke Contracting Ltd	Service boiler - Verney Institute	£229.20
4043	T Clarke Contracting Ltd	Service boiler - NHCC	£229.20
4044	Action on Hearing Loss	Site survey for Induction Loop	£90.00
4045	Bolsover District Council	Business Rates for New Houghton	£182.00
4046	J. P. Leisure Ltd	Community Centre (01.03.2017) Replacement remote control for Lighting System at	£22.18
4047	N Pocklington	Verney Full set of replacement toner cartridges for Verney printer and stationery	£261.44
4048 to 4052	Employees	Wages and Expenses	£2482.74
4053	HMRC	Tax and NI	£314.40
4054	B Carnall	Reimbursement of postage costs for re-directed mail	£4.78
4055	Live & Local Ltd	Concert Fee	£340.00
4056	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Clean bus shelters	£68.40

Income

Paid into bank	7/2/17 £	16/2/17	23/2/17	28/2/17
Verney	152.00	72.00		108.00
Computer Group	29.00			
NHCC	18.46			
Cemetery		25.00		
Allotments		300.00		
Live and Local		330.00	40.00	
Total	199.46	727.00	40.00	108.00

Balance at bank on 28 February 2017 £95,781.22

Signed	 	
Chairman		