

PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES THE ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15th May 2023

Present

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)
Councillors - I Allen, M Gamble, T Kirkham, W Kirkham, L Smyth

Members of the public: 2

PART 1- NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Following non-contested election, before the meeting Councillors present signed their Acceptance of Office and completed their disclosable pecuniary and other interest.

1 Election of Chairman of Pleasley Parish Council for the year of 2023/2024
Chairman Councillor J H Wright opened the meeting and welcome everyone.

Councillor W Kirkham proposed Councillor Ian Allen and was seconded by Councillor M Gamble. Councillor I Allen accepted and was deemed to be chair of Pleasley Parish Council for 2023/24; Councillor J H Wright vacated the chair and Councillor I Allen took position of Chair.

RESOLVED Councillor I Allen has be elected as Chair of the Council for the municipal year 2022/23

2 Election of Vice-Chairman of the Pleasley Parish Council for the year of 2023/24

Role of Vice Chair – Councillor H Wright proposed Councillor L Smyth and Councillor M Gamble seconded. Councillor W Kirkham also put herself forward. Councillor T Kirkham declared an interest. Councillor L Smyth accepted and has been elected Vice-Chair.

RESOLVED that Councillor L Smyth has been elected Vice-Chairman for the municipal year 2023/24

3. Apologies for absence received from Councillors H Smith and L Stokeley.

It was accepted by the meeting that councillors who gave their apologies could sign their Acceptance of Office and complete their disclosable pecuniary and other interests before the start of the next meeting.

4. Declaration of Members Interest.

To enable members to declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and Non-Statutory Interest as defined by the Members Code of Conduct in respect of:

- a) Any business on the agenda,
- b) Any urgent additional items to be considered,
- c) Any matters arising out of those items and if appropriate, withdraw from the meeting at the relevant time. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at the time.

5. To receive and approve requests for dispensations from Members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary interest and non-Statutory interest

6 Public speaking.

A period of not more than 15 minutes will be made available for members of the public and Members of the Council to comment on business on the agenda.

- Member of the Public raised a concern regarding Pleasley Parish Council have received complaints regarding the car boot held at Pleasley Miners Welfare

Firstly, the car boot is operating out of its agreed hours as the market should start at 8am and should finish by 3pm. It has been observed by residents that the market has still been ongoing at 4pm.

Secondly the Planning Department previously inspected the site to put in place a 10metre exclusion zone for stalls however it has been witnessed that stalls are not adhering to this with stalls coming right up to the perimeter fence, with both boundaries not being fenced off.

Thirdly the number of sales pitches should not exceed 100 however now that Twin Oaks car boot is not taking place, we are seeing a large boot take place on the Welfare Site with the number of stalls particular in recent weeks where they have exceeded over 100 stalls.

Fourthly with traffic backing up to the roundabout at the bottom of pit lane residents are struggling to drive out of welfare because of cars entering the car boot. This is causing concerns to residents that back onto the welfare and of Pit Lane and Newboundmill Lane who also have having difficulties turning out of these public roads. Reports that residents can't get out of welfare because of the numbers of cars entering the car boot.

Clerk to write a letter to Bolsover District Council and to inform Derbyshire Highways. The Chair Councillor I Allen assured the member of public this issue will be taken up with the proper authorities.

- Member of the public had a question relating to the Councillor co-option vacancies. Chair explained that these posts are currently advertised on Parish noticeboard's and on the Parish website.
- A Member of the public raised an issue relating to the height of the hedge on Terrace Lane recreation ground as the hedge wasn't cut last autumn. Resident also raised a further concern regarding the speed of residents travelling up terrace Lane. Chair noted these concerns and explained in relation to the hedge this had probably happened due change of Clerk not having access to the previous contractor's details. Clerk to ensure hedge is cut properly when growing season is finished. Clerk to make Derbyshire County Council aware of the speed of traffic.

(1) Report from and Questions to the police

Latest information from Derbyshire Constabulary website for March 2023 shows

Violence and sexual offences	14
Public order	5
Anti-social behaviour	2
Criminal damage and arson	2

(2) Report from District Councillors – Councillor T Kirkham reported that the new leader of Bolsover District Council is Steve Fritchley. It was also reported that there has been anti-social behaviour at the jitty at the bottom of Coronation Avenue in New Houghton – it will have to go through planning to get it closed off. It was also reported that a local Wheelie wash van was stolen in New Houghton. The Parish Council has supplied CCTV footage for the Police.

(3) To confirm the date of next meeting – Monday 5th June 2023

(4) Minutes of the previous meeting on the 3rd April 2023 were approved and signed with Councillor M Gamble proposing and Councillor T Kirkham seconding.

(5) Discussed minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on 24th March 2023.

- Members of the public present asked for further information regarding the Diabetes event which was run by Pleasley Surgery Patient Participation Group on Friday 12th May event at New Houghton Community Centre at 1pm
- Resident queried the date of annual parish meeting.
- Resident also raised concerns regarding the redecoration of The Verney & the roof repairs that are required.
- Resident also raised the issue of the Speed of traffic through new mill lane – Clerk to make Derbyshire County Council aware of the speed of traffic.

It was reported that Pleasley Pit Nature Study Group had its Wildlife Day 2023 on Sunday 14th May 2023.

Pleasley Pit’s 150th Anniversary Gala Day is to be held on 9th July 2023

St Michael Church fair is to be held on Saturday 21st May 2023.

(7) Chairman’s announcements. Chair Ian Allen thanked everybody for this opportunity this serve at Chair as this is his first meeting no further announcements are necessary.

(8) Reports.

(a) Report from Community Speedwatch initiative. – despite of advertising community Speedwatch – no new interest from residents – to readvertise in newsletter.

(b) Allotments correspondence/reports

Reminder letters to be sent out to tenants who haven’t paid their allotment fees for 2023/24. Arrangements are in place for new taps to be fitted at both allotments alongside a replacement gate lock with keys distributed to tenants at Crompton Street Allotments.

Signed.....
Chair

30/4/23 Complaint received from tenant of Crompton St Allotment regarding tenant who joined plot diagonally opposite with Harris fencing, denying access to the communal tap. The fencing is padlocked in place so is not a temporary measure. – Clerk sent a letter and visited home address of tenant who had put up the fencing. Tenant took fencing down same day and removed padlock. RESOLVED

(c) Cemetery Correspondence/reports

12/04/23 Email from Stacey Burman of AW Lymn re arrangement for double grave burial on Thursday 4th May 2023 - RESOLVED

14/04/23 Complaint from resident about over hanging tree branches from St Michaels church yard has dropped onto family graves in our cemetery near the top wall – RESOLVED. Clerk ascertain responsibility falls to BDC who have been informed.

(d) Footpaths correspondence/reports – Chair – Kerb noted has dropped away, T Kirk has report to Derby CC

(e) Highways correspondence/reports - none

(f) New Houghton Community Centre correspondence/reports – none

(g) Verney Institute correspondence/reports

Email of 30/3/23 re TIS Fire Alarm maintenance report 1. No zone map (everything all in zone 1) 2. Kitchen heat sensor failed 3. Incoming mains too the fire panel is in normal white flex not FP cable – Clerk has requested quote. Clerk to discuss at next meeting.

Email of 12/04/23 – re during engineers visit for the maintenance of your fire and intruder alarm it was identified that two batteries and a door contact require replacing. The total cost to replace these would be £236.45 plus VAT. Councillors to discuss and approve quote. Proposed budget meeting – working group to look at the finances. This decision will fall to the next meeting.

(h) Recreations Grounds correspondence/reports –

Re Bolsover Inspection report – bearing damaged/loose/missing – risk level medium. Hags Quotation for Gym Stepper repair at Terrace Lane Rec £944.00 plus vat – (email of 28.04.22 & 04.04.23) Enquiries have been made with Matthew Connley of Bolsover District Council – regarding enquiries to source bearings from other supplier – awaiting response. Look for alternative – discuss that at the budget meeting.

Email from Sarah Cooke Leisure Support Officer at Bolsover District Council re Playground Inspection and Maintenance report RESOLVED – no issues apart from replacement of bearing on Gym Stepper –

Councillors discussed email request from Pinder’s Circus to consider an application to visit Rotherham recreation ground New Houghton. Councillor W Kirkham raised the issue with availability of parking. Councillor L Smyth also had concerns regarding parking. Councillor L Smyth enquired if this was the first time this circus has made this request in New Houghton - which we believe it was. Discussed whether Millennium Green would be a more suitable space– Chair I Allen would have to declare a pecuniary interest if Millennium Green was considered. We need further information before we can accept an application. Clerk to contact enquirer for further details and discuss at next meeting.

Street Lighting correspondence/reports –

Email from Robert Griffiths Director of Civic Pride with 2023 Lamppost testing report – no issues found.

(l) The appearance of Pleasley Parish –

i) Quote received from Woolley Nurseries to supply/erect/maintain hanging baskets to 40 Lampposts at £125 per lamppost =£5,000 plus VAT. Clerk has spoken to Jo Mansfield Managing Director who explained we received a 10% discount based on

being a loyal customer and price was previously agreed as usual price for order of a quantity of fifty. If we reduce the order by more than one quarter – a re quote will be required. Hanging baskets are due to go up by the 2nd week of June 2023. Councillors to discuss the number of hanging baskets required. Councillor W Kirkham proposed we should go ahead with the existing order with it being so close to the date when the hanging baskets go up, Councillor T Kirkham seconded, and other councillors agreed to continue with this year's order and look to change order next year.

- ii) Councillors to discuss the possibility setting up a working group with a view to being careful not to overspend this year to protect reserve – ideas include reducing the number of hanging baskets and Christmas lights. - The Chair & Clerk would like to remind members that any recommendations considered by a working group should be approved by full council. Councillors agreed with a date being set for Monday 22nd May at 7pm. Budgets to be prepared between Chair & Clerk.
- iii) Shelter Maintenance have checked the shelters and other than small patch of green on the roof the shelters are clean. Quote received 24 4 23. Shelters have broken quote down into 4 items require repair: - Councillors to discuss whether to approve quotes.

1. A617 Bypass towards Glapwell : 1No. Polycarbonate panel at 1230x1310x8mm and 1No. At 710x1310x8mm missing. (All beading and seals are required) - £709
 2. As above but also to replace a stained panel at 1230x1310x8 - £1,062
 3. A617 Bypass towards Mansfield : 1No. Polycarbonate panel at 1230x1310x8mm (All bead and seals are required) - £445
 4. As above but also to replace a stained panel at 1230x1310x8 - £798
- All prices are exclusive of VAT **£3,005**

Councillor W Kirkham proposed, and Councillor L Smyth seconded that we delay this discussion until the budget meeting and discuss at the next Parish meeting.

- (9) Next edition of the Pleasley Parish Council's Newsletter - Scheduled for the July – discuss possible content. Councillor M Gamble suggested possible content could include the scarecrow festival, elections, Live & Local, flood meeting, speed watch, interesting article on stone plaque in Village alongside groups that hire the Verney & New Houghton Community Centre. All councillors encourage to contribute. If we have enough material a draft copy could be approved at the July meeting. July draft might be offered.
- (10) Live and Local reports - future booking arrangements. Our request form has gone in and we'll find out the acts who have been selected in July as we've identified 8 acts and have requested 4 shows and liaised with doe lea, the funding is a little better with chance of getting two show performance fees are in access of £350.
- (11) DALC Newsletters / relevant issues
Re email of 18/04/23 from Wendy Amis Chief Officer of DALC regarding offer of training session for Councillors to deliver 2.5 hours of training at a mutually convenient time costing £275 plus travel – councillors to discuss and approve.
Councillors voted to leave this request at the moment and wait until we have new co-opted councillors.
- (12) Discussion regarding whether to reschedule the Scarecrow festival 2023 which was cancelled on 6th/7th May 2023 due to low participant numbers. A Halloween themed festival was suggested incorporating New Houghton with a minimum of 15 scarecrows required.

Signed.....
Chair

Councillor T Kirkham suggested putting a poll on Facebook to see if there is interest and demand – and discuss at the next meeting.

i) A donation for the scarecrow festival of £200 has been received from Maurice Hill Transport. Councillors asked for this donation to be returned and we can request new donations when a decision is made if the scarecrow festival is to be rescheduled.

(13) Correspondence

- 28/03/23 - Email from Hags UK regarding bearing damaged/loose/missing – risk level medium. Hags Quotation for Gym Stepper repair
- 30/03/23 - Email from TIS Fire Alarm maintenance report 1. No zone map (everything all in zone 1) 2. Kitchen heat sensor failed 3. Incoming mains too the fire panel is in normal white flex not FP cable.
- 31/03/23 DALC – April Newsletter
- 31/03/23 Complaint received form tenant of Crompton St Allotment regarding tenant – who has joining plot diagonally opposite with Harris fencing, denying access to the communal tap. The fencing is padlocked in place so is not a temporary measure. – Clerk sent a letter and visited home address of tenant who had put up the fencing. Tenant took fencing down same day and removed padlock.
- 02/04/23 Email from Winnie Bennett of St John Ambulance – Thank you for last year’s donation for the scarecrow festival and invite for councillors to attend St John’s Coronation Celebrations on Monday 8th May at 6pm. RESOLVED
- 04/04/23 Email from Joanne Green Partnerships Policy Officer re Volunteer Roadshow.
- 04/04/23 Email quotation from Hags fitness reply of gym stepper at terrace lane recreation ground.
- 05/04/23 Email from Rebeca Brooks re Statement of Persons Nominated and Uncontested Election Notice. RESOLVED
- 05/04/23 Email entry to scarecrow festival. RESOLVED
- 07/04/23 Email from Robert Griffiths Director Civic Pride UK enquiry if any changes re Lamp posts since last year. RESOLVED
- 07/04/23 Email from New Auditor Gill Turner of G TURNER ACCOUNTANCY SERVICES with engagement letter – Clerk signed and returned RESOLVED
- 11/04/23 re Gym stepper repair - Email from Matthew Connley of Bolsover District Council – regarding enquiries to source bearings from other supplier
- 11/04/23 Email from Sarah Cooke Leisure Support Officer at Bolsover District Council re Playground Inspection and Maintenance report RESOLVED – no issues apart from replacement of bearing on Gym Stepper
- 11/04/23 Email from The Sustainable Travel team, Derbyshire County Council re Electric Vehicle Charging Survey - Councillor M Gamble explained possible locations for anyone who wishes to charge vehicles could be the bus turning circle in New Houghton and bus turning point terrace lane bus stop - District Councillor T Kirkham to chase up land concerned. Project to be discussed in next Parish newsletters
- 12/04/23 Email from TIS – maintenance costs - Verney alarm
- 14/04/23 Email from Shelter Maintenance with cleaning report of Bus Shelters – quote already issued for repaired.
- 17/04/23 Email entry to scarecrow festival RESOLVED
- 17/04/23 Thank you email from Christine Price regarding the free booking for Pleasley Surgery Patient Participation Group RESOLVED
- 18/04/23 Email from Wendy Amis Chief Officer DALC re queries from the council
- 19/04/23 Email from Robert Griffiths Director of Civic Pride with 2023 Lampost testing report – no issues found. RESOLVED
- 20/04/23 Email re DALC booking for Clerk on Law & Good practice training. RESOLVED
- 21/04/23 Email from Alison Smith of Public Transport regarding both of the shelters on the Pleasley dual carriageway have missing glass panels.
- 21/04/23 Email request operate Pinders Circus and it tours from February till November and I am contacting you to see you would consider an application to visit Rotherham recreation ground New Houghton.
- 21/04/23 Email - Allotment availability request – Clerk responded – currently no spaces availability – prospective tenant on waiting list. RESOLVED – discuss next meeting for non payers
- 23/04/23 Email - Further allotment availability request – Clerk responded – currently no spaces availability – prospective tenant on waiting list. RESOLVED
- 23/04/23 Email - Scarecrow festival entry. RESOLVED
- 23/04/22 Email – from G Turner auditor with list of documents required. RESOLVED
- 24/04/23 Email from Shelter Maintenance detailing quote for works required to repair bus shelters.
- 23/04/23 Email - Scarecrow festival entry. RESOLVED
- 25/04/23 DALC May Newsletter

Signed.....
Chair

- 26/04/23 Email from resident to register disappointment in cancelling scarecrow festival
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- 27/04/23 Email - Further allotment availability request – Clerk responded – currently no spaces availability – prospective tenant on waiting list. RESOLVED
- 01/05/23 Email from Rebecca Brooks, Electoral Services at Bolsover DC confirmed that WEDNESDAY 10TH MAY 2023 is the first day after the Election we can legally hold our next meeting.

(14) Planning Matters

4/4/23

Application No: 23/00169/FUL Decision Level: Delegated
 Proposal: Change of use of the Coach House Annex to a short term let commercial property to enable Airbnb short term lettings throughout the year.
 Location: Appleby Guest House Chesterfield Road New Houghton Mansfield
 Applicant: Mr Gavin Richards

21/4/23

Application No: 23/00213/FUL Decision Level: Delegated
 Proposal: Proposed Single Storey Rear Sun Room
 Location: The Granary Water Lane Stony Houghton Mansfield
 Applicant: Mr & Mrs Darley-Usmar

27/4/23

Application No: 23/00222/DISCON Decision Level: Delegated
 Proposal: Discharge of Condition 4 (Details of windows & doors), 5 (Details of the finish to windows & doors), 8 (Boundary Treatments), 9 (Written Scheme of Investigation - Archaeology), 11 (Contamination investigation), 14 (Precautionary working methods), 15 (Protection measures of retained trees), 16 (Biodiversity enhancement measures) of Planning Permission 22/00265/FUL
 Location: Land Between 5 And 11 Newboundmill Lane Pleasley
 Applicant:

27/4/23

Application No: 23/00220/VAR Decision Level: Delegated
 Proposal: Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) and 3 (materials) of Planning Permission 22/00265/FUL
 Location: Land Between 5 And 11 Newboundmill Lane Pleasley
 Applicant: Alpha Developments Ltd

(15) Banking

March Income – Paid into the bank 05/04/23

Verney Hire	£330
NH Community Centre	£280.60
Live & Local	£636
Income total	£ 1246.60

April Income – Paid into the bank 28/04/23

Verney Hire	£119
Cemetery/Memorial Income	£400
Allotments	£170
Income total	£ 689

Signed.....
 Chair

Transaction	Type	Description	Value £
30/03/2023	DPC	Tax & National Insurance - March Salaries	-£195.90
31/03/2023	DPC	Staff Salaries March 23	£3,867.69
03/04/2023	D/D	BOLSOVER D C National Non Domestic Rates APRIL	-£107.00
03/04/2023	D/D	WATER PLUS The Verney	-£75.41
03/04/2023	D/D	WATER PLUS Meden Avenue	-£48.82
03/04/2023	CHQ	Mitchell Fire Protection Inv 9211	-£38.40
03/04/2023	CHQ	Mitchell Fire Protection Inv 9213	-£46.80
03/04/2023	D/D	Internet Services - New Houghton community Centre	-£37.60
03/04/2023	DPC	Tax & National Insurance -May Salaries	-£1,529.46
05/04/2023	C/R	Income Payment March	£1,246.60
06/04/2023	D/D	Nest Pension Payment March 23	-£147.14
11/04/2023	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINESS- Gas Bill - NH Community Centre	-£333.97
11/04/2023	CHQ	March Salary Payment	-£987.23
11/04/2023	DPC	Shelter Maintenance- Bus Shelter Cleaning	-£70.52
11/04/2023	DPC	Refund Clerk Printer Laser Cartridges	-£204.90
11/04/2023	DPC	Refund to RJones - Printer Cartridges - Open Door	-£22.98
11/04/2023	DPC	Refund to PBriggs - Maintenance supplies	-£9.45
11/04/2023	DPC	GARDEN FORCE Ground Maintenance	-£160.00
11/04/2023	DPC	Refund Clerk Stationary Supplies	-£36.47
14/04/2023	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINESS - Electric Bill - The Verney	-£123.23
14/04/2023	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINESS - Gas Bill - The Verney	-£225.60
17/04/2023	DPC	GARDEN FORCE - Ground Maintenance work	-£420.00
18/04/2023	CHQ	DALC - Clerk - Year End Training	-£30.00
19/04/2023	CHQ	JRB Enterprises Inv 25175	-£330.00
20/04/2023	CHQ	Shelter Maintenance - Bus Shelter Cleaning	-£70.52
20/04/2023	D/D	BT GROUP PLC Telephone/Internet - The Verney	-£95.87
21/04/2023	CHQ	Bolsover District Council Inv 197605	-£240.00
21/04/2023	CHQ	Imprint Inv 10865 - Headed Paper/Compliment slip printing	-£177.36
21/04/2023	BAC	Allotment payment	£40.00
25/04/2023	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINESS - Electric Bill - NH Community Centre	-£120.70
25/04/2023	D/D	SAGEGLOBALSERVICES - Accounting software subscription	-£45.60
25/04/2023	DPC	BOLSOVER DISTRICT National Non Domestic Rates APRIL NH Community Centre	-£60.00
25/04/2023	DPC	BOLSOVER DISTRICT National Non Domestic Rates MAY NH Community Centre	-£60.00
26/04/2023	CHQ	Shirebrook Town Council Exercise equipment	-£80.00
26/04/2023	D/D	NPOWER Pleasley Christmas Lights	-£79.48
26/04/2023	BAC	Allotment payment	£20.00
26/04/2023	BAC	Allotment payment	£60.00
27/04/2023	C/R	Income Payment April	£689.00
28/04/2023	CHQ	Red Design & Print - Newsletter Printing	-£322.80
28/04/2023	BACS	BOLSOVER DISTRICT , PRECEPT PAYMENT	£41,405.00
		Balance 28/04/2023	£49,187.10
		Reserve Account 31/03/2023	£16,883.47

PART 2 -CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

16) Chairman's Allowance - Decision to be delayed to the next meeting

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Signed.....
Chair