

**PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD BY REMOTE MEANS  
ON 1 February 2021**

**Present**

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

Councillors, I Allen, D M Gamble, Mrs C W Kirkham, T Kirkham and Mrs C Randall

**PART1- NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**29/21 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received, noted and accepted from Councillor Mrs P M Bowmer and Councillor Mrs J Jones who were unable to join the meeting due to issues with the Zoom meeting technology, and from Councillor N Jordan who was unable to attend due to work commitments

**30/21 Declaration of Members interests**

None

**31/21 Dispensation granted to Members declaring disclosable pecuniary interests in an agenda item**

None

**32/21 Public Participation**

(i) None

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

(i) No police representative was present at the meeting.  
The Clerk reported the crime statistics for December 2020 from the Police website.

Reported in December 2020

Anti-Social Behaviour 11

Drugs 5

Other Crime 1

Other Theft 1

Vehicle Crime 1

Violence and sexual offences 7

Total 26

**(iii) Report from Community Speedwatch Initiative (if any)**

It was reported that all Community Speedwatch events had been suspended during the national lockdown; however, volunteers were still able to receive training using remote meeting technology. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

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

Councillor Dale reported that decisions on budget issues would be made at a full County Council meeting.

It was also reported that Derbyshire County Council has the poorest performance rating for its response to Highways issues in comparison to other County Councils; this is due to staff shortages. It was reported that the County Council also has received a low rating for its Adult Care Services; in part, this is considered to relate to the effect of Covid-19 on the quality of its services.

The County Councillor also reported that she had a small amount of grant funding to allocate before 14 March 2021 and hoped to identify suitable applications from Community Groups/Food Banks.

She also reported that she had donated money towards the installation of a cycle storage unit, on Church land in Shirebrook, which will then be used to support the introduction of a cycle maintenance club.

**(v) Report of the District Councillor**

It was reported that meetings had been held to make plans to use the County Councillor's grant for £2000.00 to support the New Houghton Community Hub project; it is hoped that when the project is in a position to open there will be a link to the food bank and youth work provision at Shirebrook. It was also reported that the New Houghton Community Group had secured a lottery grant and hope to use this to organise an event in the Summer.

He also reported that Bolsover District Council is to discuss a motion to end Trail Hunting on Council owned land in the District.

**(vi) Report on the 'Visit. Sleep. Cycle. Repeat.' project**

A member of the public gave a brief report on the project following their attendance at a recent meeting. It was reported that, in accordance with the aims of the project to extend and improve the local tourist economy, Bolsover District Council plans to spend £1 million over the next two years. It was reported that footpaths had been improved and a new one had been created for walking and cycling. It was also reported that although it was no longer considered viable to locate camping pods at the back of the Pleasley pit buildings consideration is being given to the feasibility of locating

ten camping pods in the 'Wood Yard'.

**33/21 Date of next Meeting**

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 1 March 2021 by remote means and that the meeting for April be provisionally fixed for 12 April 2021.

**34/21 Minutes of Last Meeting**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 4 January 2021 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**35/21 Chairman's Announcements**

None

**36/21 Allotments**

- (i) The Clerk reported that a further complaint had been received from a local resident about mud near the Meden Avenue allotment site vehicle entrance. A short discussion was held about this issue. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted and that the Clerk should write to the Meden Avenue Allotment holders to request that efforts are made to avoid this problem and to seek feedback from the allotment holders on how they feel this problem could be avoided.

**37/21 Cemetery**

- (i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

**38/21 Footpaths**

- (i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**39/21 Highways**

- (i) The Clerk reported that residents had reported that some grit bins were empty. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted and the Clerk will undertake a further audit of the Parish grit bins, and that authority is given to the Clerk to place an order with Derbyshire County Council to refill any which are completely

empty

(ii) A short discussion was held to consider a request from a resident to install a grit bin in the cul-de-sac area of Appleby Road, New Houghton. It was

RESOLVED that this location would not meet the criteria used by Derbyshire County Council to determine the location of grit bins based on road safety.

**40/21 New Houghton Community Centre**

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

(ii) Update on Open Door Computer Group

The Clerk reported that remote working, by providing online support for members of the group, in response to the Coronavirus Covid-19 pandemic was still continuing. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

**41/21 Recreation Grounds**

(i) The Clerk reported that Bolsover District Council had forwarded an email from a resident which expressed concern about what appeared to be rabbit holes on the Terrace Lane Recreation Ground. A short discussion was held about this issue. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted and that Councillor Allen kindly offered to visit the Terrace Lane Recreation Ground and fill the holes

**42/21 Street Lighting**

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**43/21 Verney Institute**

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**44/21 Correspondence**

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

(i) Email sent on behalf of The Police and Crime Commissioner giving

details of two online public consultation sessions in January. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (ii) Email from Derbyshire County Council informing of the emergency closure of Bridleway 13 in Pleasley Parish and Footpath 29 in Ault Hucknall Parish from 8th January 2021 to 28th January 2021. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (iii) Email from Derbyshire County Council informing of a temporary road closure on Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley . It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (iv) Email from Bolsover District Council with a copy of the Parish Council Climate Change Pack. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (v) Email from Derbyshire County Council with a copy of Community News - 12 January 2021. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (vi) Email from the North Derbyshire Census Engagement Manager with details of the 2021 Census. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (vii) Email from Derbyshire Police with a link to a booklet titled 'Safety and Crime Prevention Guide'. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (viii) Email from DALC detailing upcoming Training Courses. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (ix) Emails from Derbyshire County Council informing of a second emergency closure of Bridleway 13 and Bridleway 16. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

**45/21 Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter**

The Chairman reported that the Newsletter would be delivered to his house this week and may require distribution. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted and that some members offered to help with delivery if there were any problems with the usual delivery service

**46/21 Pleasley Parish Council's Website**

No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

**47/21 To provide and update (if any) on the proposal for the installation of CCTV in the Pleasley Parish**

The Clerk reported that additional information had been sent to Bolsover District Council as part of the consultation process for its permission to install equipment at the Community Building on Rotherham Road, New Houghton but a response had not yet been received. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**48/21 DALC Newsletter January 2021**

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

**49/21 Bank Reconciliation as at 18 December 2020**

The Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 18 December 2020 was presented at the meeting. It was

RESOLVED that the bank reconciliation be agreed for 18 December 2020

**50/21 Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area**

No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

**51/21 Planning Matters**

Planning applications

(i) Application for Full Planning Permission  
None

(ii) Planning applications received after the publication of the agenda

**Application No: 21/00001/FUL**

**Decision Level: Delegated**

Proposal: Change of use from derelict former billiard room at the rear of the existing building to a workshop (mechanics)

Location: New Houghton Working Men's Club Rotherham Road New Houghton Mansfield

Applicant: Thomas Richard Ward

No comments

(iii) Ratification of decisions made by email consultation since the last meeting

None

**Notification of Decision**

None

**52/21 Accounts**

## Expenditure

<u>Cheque No</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0653	Civic Pride UK Ltd	Christmas Light Display 2020	£4680.00
0654	J H Wright	Chairman's Allowance	£1000.00
0655	TIS Ltd	Replace intruder alarm battery at Verney Institute	£102.00
0656	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Cleaning of bus shelters (December 2020)	£67.18
0657	Mitchell Fire Protection Ltd	Test and service fire appliances at The Verney Institute	£84.00
0658	Mitchell Fire Protection Ltd	Test and service fire appliances at New Houghton Community Centre	£54.72
0659	Bolsover District Council	Dog/Litter bin emptying 1 October to 31 December 2020	£764.40
0660	Total Integrated Solutions Limited	Replacement lighting units, bulbs and batteries for emergency lighting system at Verney Institute	£513.62
0661 to 0666	Employees	Wages and expenses	£3249.21
0667	HMRC	Tax and NIC	£242.76

## Paid into bank

<b>Paid into bank</b>	<b>11/1/2021</b>	<b>29/1/21</b>
Cemetery	149.00	
Allotments		375.02
<b>Total (£)</b>	<b>149.00</b>	<b>375.02</b>

Balance of bank current account as at 29 January 2021	£40,002.26
Balance of building society account as at 29 January 2021	£40,650.04
<b>Total Balance as at 29 January 2021</b>	<b>£80,652.30</b>



**Part 2-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**53/21** 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

**54/21** **Caretaker- The Verney Institute**

The Clerk reported that subsequent to the receipt and acceptance of the notice of the Caretaker’s decision to leave due to ill health; the caretaker had very sadly died. It was

RESOLVED that a £150.00 Memorial Donation is made to the ‘Nottinghamshire Hospice’ on behalf of the Parish Council

**Signed**.....  
**Chairman**