

PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4 OCTOBER 2021

Present

Councillor Mrs P Bowmer (Vice - Chair)

Councillors, I Allen, C Davern, D M Gamble, Mrs W Kirkham, Ms H Smith, Miss L Stokeley and J H Wright

Prior to the meeting Mr W Taylor and Mr C Pugh introduced themselves as members of the Pleasley Community Group (based in Nottinghamshire). They outlined the objectives of the group and requested the support of the Parish Council in promoting its events by utilising the normal Parish Council promotional channels

PART1- NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

240/21 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received, noted and accepted from Councillor T Kirkham who was unable to attend due to a pre-arranged family commitment, and from Councillor Mrs C Randall who was ill.

241/21 Declaration of Members interests

None

242/21 Dispensation granted to Members declaring disclosable pecuniary interests in an agenda item

None

243/21 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 June and July 2021 from the Police website.

Reported in August 2021

Anti-Social Behaviour 2
Criminal Damage and Arson 1
Public Order 2
Vehicle Crime 1
Violence and sexual offences 4
Total 10

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

It was reported that the Community Speedwatch Initiative currently remains suspended. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

(iv) Report of the County Councillor

Councillor Dale reported that a new Chief Executive appointment had been confirmed at the last full council meeting. It was also reported that the Better Lives initiative was likely to focus on disabled adults following the success of the project's focus on Children's' services. It was also reported that there is an ongoing review of the provision of bus passes for 'home to school transport' for children who have to walk long distances, or on a route which may be deemed hazardous, through the 'Route assessment panel'. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

(v) Report of the District Councillor

There was no report from a District Councillor

244/21 Date of next Meeting

RESOLVED that the next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 1 November 2021 and that the meeting for December be provisionally fixed for 6 December 2021.

245/21 Minutes of Last Meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 6 September 2021 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman. The Minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 27 September 2021 be amended to record a declaration of interest made by Councillor I Allen at the meeting and then approved at the next meeting

246/21 Chairman's Announcements

None

247/21 Allotments

- (i) The Clerk reported that two tenants had taken the vacant plots at Crompton Street; which is now full; it was also reported that a request had been received from a current tenant on the Meden Avenue Allotment Site who wished to take over the plot of another tenant who wished to surrender their tenancy. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted and that the transfer of tenancy on the Meden Avenue Allotment Site is approved

248/21 Cemetery

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

249/21 Footpaths

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

250/21 Highways

(i) The Clerk reported that due to the on-going roadworks on Newboundmill Lane it had not been possible for the Terrace Lane Recreation Ground hedge to be cut at the side of Newboundmill Lane. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

251/21 New Houghton Community Centre

(i) The Clerk reported that remedial work to the emergency lighting system was identified during a routine maintenance visit. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

(ii) Update on Open Door Computer Group

No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

252/21 Recreation Grounds

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

253/21 Street Lighting

(i) No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

254/21 **Verney Institute**

- (i) (i) The Clerk reported that remedial work to the emergency lighting system and intruder alarm system was identified during a routine maintenance visit. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted

255/21 **Correspondence**

The following items of general correspondence have been received:

- (i) Email from Derbyshire County Council with a copy of community news 6 September 2021. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (ii) Email from a representative of the Pleasley Community Group (based in Nottinghamshire informing of, and inviting members to, a Christmas event in Meden Square on 27 November 2021. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted and that in accordance with the request for access to the Parish Council publicity channels, made by representatives of the group at the start of the meeting, the Clerk will write to the group inviting them to send a written request for the publicity of each event.

- (iii) Email from the Royal British Legion inviting the Parish Council to make a donation by purchasing lamppost poppies. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted and that an order is placed for thirty poppies for the suggested donation of £3.00 each

- (iv) Email from Derbyshire County Council informing of the 'Live Life Better Derbyshire Services'. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (v) Email from Bolsover District Council forwarding a letter from the Director General of The Royal British Legion regarding the holding of Remembrance parades this in 2021. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (vi) Email from DALC with Papers in preparation of the 75th AGM - 19 October 2021. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (vii) Email from DALC with its Annual Report 2020 – 2021. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (viii) Email from Derbyshire County Council with a copy of 21 Sept – Community News. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

- (ix) Email from Bolsover District Council with details of a consultation on its Draft Taxi Licensing Policy. It was

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

256/21 Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter

- (i) A short discussion was held to consider the procedure for the design, production, printing and distribution of future editions of the newsletter. It was

RESOLVED that this will be discussed at a future meeting.

257/21 Pleasley Parish Council's Website

No issues to report. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

258/21 Live and Local

- (i) Councillor Gamble reported that arrangements were in place for the first event on 9 October 2021; however, one of the stage lights had failed and was deemed to be beyond economical repair. It was

RESOLVED that the report be noted and that Councillor Gamble is authorised to liaise with the Clerk to purchase a replacement light.

259/21 External Auditor Report 2020/21

The Clerk reported that the External Auditor Report and Certificate had been received from the external auditor (PFK Littlejohn LLP). There were no matters reported relating to the accounts. It was

RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted

260/21 DALC Newsletter September 2021

RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted

261/21 Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area

263/21 Accounts

Expenditure

<u>Cheque No</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0759	Winner of First Prize	Prize for Scarecrow event	£75.00
0760	Winner of Second Prize	Prize for Scarecrow event	£50.00
0761	Winner of Third Prize	Prize for Scarecrow event	£25.00
0762	Winner of Fourth Prize	Prize for Scarecrow event	£25.00
0763	Winner of Fifth Prize	Prize for Scarecrow event	£25.00
0764	JRB Enterprise Ltd	Dispenser Refill - Dog Foul Waste Bags	£296.40
0765	PKF Littlejohn LLP	External Audit Fee	£480.00
0766 to 0770	Employees	Wages and expenses	£3117.62
0771	HMRC	Tax and NIC	£220.31
0772	N Pocklington	Reimbursement for printer ink and stationery for Verney Institute	£81.28
0773	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Cleaning of bus shelters (September 2021)	£67.18
0774	Bolsover District Council	Trade refuse contract for New Houghton Community Centre (1/10/21 to 31/3/22)	£405.60
0775	Bolsover District Council	Trade refuse contract for Cemetery (1/10/21 to 31/3/22)	£608.66
0776	Bolsover District Council	Trade refuse contract for Verney Institute (1/10/21 to 31/3/22)	£124.28

Income

Paid into bank	21/9/21	1/10/21
Verney Cemetery	120.00	102.00
Live and Local Open Door Computer Group	72.00	20.50
New Houghton CC		
Total (£)	519.00	122.50

Balance of bank current account 1 October 2021

£64,175.47

Balance of building society account as at 1 October 2021 £40,675.82

Total Balance as at 1 October 2021 £104,851.29

Part 2-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

264/21 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

265/21 **Rotherham Road Recreation Ground – Play Area**
A short discussion was held about an insurance claim following an alleged incident resulting in a personal injury claim.

266/21 **Crompton Street Allotment Site**
A short discussion was held about the condition of part of the allotment wall and a parking issue. It was

267/21 **RESOLVED** that the Clerk should write to an allotment tenant to inform that permanent on-going parking is not allowed on the allotment site
Caretaker – Verney Institute: Annual leave and holiday cover
A short discussion was held about a request relating to a contractual matter and potential arrangements for caretaker holiday cover at the Verney

Signed.....
Chair