PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING **HELD ON 3 October 2016**

Present

Councillor J H Wright (Chair)

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

Also present County Councillor Mrs M Stockdale

PART1 NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

176/16 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P Seston, who was unable to attend due to a family illness.

177/16 **Declaration of Members interests**

None

178/16 Dispensation granted to Members declaring disclosable

pecuniary interests in an agenda item

None

179/16 **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public present. (i)

(ii) Report of the Police Representative

No police representative was present at the meeting. The most recent crime statistics from the Police website, which relate to July 2016, were presented by the Clerk.

Anti-Social Behaviour 12

Burglary 2

Other crime 1 Other theft 2

Public order 1

Violence and sexual offences 2

(iii) Report of the County Councillor

In response to a request for a survey of the lighting near the footbridge over the A617, on Chesterfield Road, Councillor Stockdale reported that Derbyshire County Council had informed her that there was no funding for additional lighting in the current year's budget. She reported that a request to cut the trees next to the footbridge over the A617, on Chesterfield Road had been made. It was also reported that Derbyshire County Council will contact the Clerk about the possible replacement of bus the shelters adjacent to and opposite Anthony Bek School.

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

Councillor Bowmer reported that consultation was still ongoing with regard to the proposed closure of Bolsover Hospital. She also reported that the number of cabinet members at Bolsover District Council will be increased from six to seven.

180/16 Date of next Meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Monday 7 November 2016 in the Verney Institute, Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley and that the meeting for December be provisionally fixed for Monday 5 December 2016.

181/16 <u>Minutes of Last Meeting</u>

RESOLVED that the minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 5 September 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

182/16 Chairman's Announcements

None

183/16 Allotments

Councillor Bowmer reported on a complaint from a resident about the grazing field near the Meden Avenue Allotments being overgrown.

<u>RESOLVED</u> that a request will be made to the tenant to cut the grass.

184/16 Cemetery

The Clerk reported on the potential costs and issues relating to the installation of a public water tap at the Pleasley Parish Council Cemetery. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the report be noted and that, at this time, further investigation is made into the possibility of improving the current supply of water from the natural spring.

185/16 Footpaths

A short discussion was held to confirm the most suitable location of two additional dog poo bag dispensers, one in Pleasley and one in New Houghton. It was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that two additional dog poo bag dispensers would be purchased. One for installation near the footbridge at the top of Terrace Lane, Pleasley and the other at the entrance to the Rotherham Road Recreation Ground near to the Social Club.

186/16 Highways

The Clerk reported that the work to erect the bus shelter on Chesterfield Road, at the Bus Stand, near Meden Vale Engineering, is still on-going.

RESOLVED that the content of the report be noted.

187/16 New Houghton Community Centre

(i) The Clerk reported that, based on advice received in response to a letter sent by the Chairman, it would not be possible to make a formal appeal to the Valuation Office about the NHCC rating liability. The legal position is that exemption from a rating liability would only apply to premises occupied by a charity and used for charitable purposes.

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the report be noted and enquires will be made to Bolsover District Council to see if it is willing to award Discretionary rate relief.

(ii) It was reported that, following the internal re-decoration of the Community Centre, new window blinds are required as when the existing ones were removed, many were broken and beyond economical repair.

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Clerk will obtain three quotes to supply and fit blinds to the Main Hall in the Community Centre which will be considered for approval at a future meeting.

(iii) A discussion was held to consider the disconnection of the payphone.

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the payphone is disconnected unless its removal affects any other services at the centre which rely on its connection.

(iv) Update on Open Door Computer Group

None

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

 A short discussion was held relating to the purchase of additional equipment for the New Houghton Computer Group. It was

RESOLVED that three new laptops (to replace those with a broken USB port) and a combined printer/scanner/copier will be purchased (based on the specification submitted by Councillor Kirkham), subject to the approval of grant funding from County Councillor Stockdale

188/16 Recreation Grounds

(i) The Clerk reported the final attendance statistics for the Street Sports activity sessions, run by Bolsover District Council, at the Rotherham Road Recreation Ground.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

(ii) The Clerk reported that the Tesco Bags of help scheme had been updated and was still accepting applications for grants towards play equipment

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

189/16 Street Lighting

None

190/16 <u>Correspondence</u>

The following items of general correspondence have been received:

- (i) Notice from the Teversal, Stanton Hill and Skegby Neighbourhood Forum informing that the Neighbourhood Plan is now available for comment
 - RESOLVED that the contents be noted.
- (ii) Letter from Derbyshire County Council seeking potential suppliers for the hire of venues and meeting rooms.
 - <u>RESOLVED</u> that a submission is made to include the Verney Institute and New Houghton Community Centre on the tender list for external venue hire.
- (iii) Letter from Bolsover District Council advising of the arrangement of an extra-ordinary Parish Council Liaison meeting, in respect of the revised route for the HS2 proposal

RESOLVED that the contents be noted.

(iv) Email from Derbyshire County Council giving details of the Snow Warden Scheme

A discussion took place concerning this proposal and it was

<u>RESOLVED</u> that Councillor Allen would continue to be the Parish Council's information provider.

191/16 <u>DALC Circular 14 and 15</u>

RESOLVED that the contents be noted

192/16 <u>Pleasley Parish Council Newsletter</u>

The Chairman reported that the next edition of the Newsletter was in progress.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

193/16 Pleasley Parish Council's Web Site

No matters were raised under this item

RESOLVED that the report be noted

194/16 Appearance of Pleasley Parish Area

No matters were raised under this item.

195/16 Planning Matters

None

Part 11-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

196/16 Accounts

<u>Expenditure</u>			
Cheque No	<u>To</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3946	Pryme-Clean	Cleaning products for New Houghton Community Centre	£92.04
3947	Pryme-Clean	Cleaning products for Verney Institute	£111.82
3948	Royal British Legion	Poppy Wreaths for Remembrance Service	£34.00
3949	British Telecommunications	Verney Institute Alarm phone line	£51.88
3950	BT Payment Services	NHCC Payphone	£121.23
3951	BT Payment Services	Verney Institute	£165.20
3952	SLCC	CILCA Registration	£250.00
3953	Bolsover District Council	Business Rates for New Houghton Community Centre (01.10.2016)	£182.00
3954	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Clean bus shelters	£61.56
3955 to 3960	Employees	Wages and Expenses	£2620.36
3961	HMRC	Tax and NI	£317.80
3962	D J M Perkins	Window cleaning (Internal and external) – Verney Institute	£30.00

Income

Paid into bank	8/9/16 £	20/9/16 £	29/916 £
NHCC	172.00	_	_
Computer Group Verney Institute	24.00		
	201.00	498.00	80.00
	397.00	498.00	80.00

Balance at bank on 29 September 2016 £98,721.40

Signed.....Chairman