

PLEASLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4TH November 2024
at New Houghton Community Centre, Rotherham Road,

Present

Councillor I Allen (Chair)

Councillors; C Dale, M Gamble, W Kirkham, L Radford, L Smyth

Clerk I Weekes

Members of the public: One member of the public was present.

PART 1- NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

1 To receive apologies for absence Apologies received from Councillors — E McCormack - Accepted, H Smith apology noted, L Stokeley apology noted, H Wright accepted.

2 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. NONE RECEIVED

3. Public Speaking - A period of not more than 15 minutes was made available for members of the public and Members of the Council to comment on business on the agenda. Clerk / Chair to take advice if members of the public can only comment on items on the agenda.

One Member of the public was present and asked the following;

- 1. Can we put an article in the newsletter for people who have rented property who are suffering with damp etc to get in touch with the clerk so we can arrange a public meeting. Every council house has some damp. District Councillor Tom Kirkham notes this issue, Derbyshire County Council could give residents help in this area, run an advice session? Councillor Ian Allen reports we can put your concerns forward to the appropriate Councils
- 2. Would it be possible to start a soup kitchen at the New Houghton Community centre as some residents are feeding their kids not themselves. Councillor Ian Allen is aware of a discussion in progress regarding community-based soup kitchen, food bank and a community bank through the community association who are meeting again in November 2024.
- 3. 3. Member would like to register his interest to stand for the parish council. Chair explained we have no vacancies for Parish Councillors at present but when vacancies arise, they will be advertised in the usual way.

(1) Crime reports

Latest information from Derbyshire Constabulary website shows crimes that were reported as below.

	July 2024	August 2024
Violence and sexual offences	(12)	(15)
Anti-social behaviour	(6)	(12)
Vehicle Crime		(5)
Public Order	(5)	
Other Theft	(1)	
All Other Crime		(8)
Total	(24)	(40)

Police website states that Priorities: Same as previous month

Signed.....

Chair

Action To be taken: Same as previous month.

<https://www.derbyshire.police.uk/area/your-area/derbyshire/north-east/pleasley/about-us/top-reported-crimes-in-this-area> - link showing the above number of incidents

<https://www.derbyshire.police.uk/area/your-area/derbyshire/north-east/pleasley/about-us/crime-map> -this shows the crime map, however alternatively you can view as a list of A-Z of streets

- (2) Report from and Questions to County Councillor Ms C Dale who attended the recent Parish Liaison meeting. Regarding the cleaning of the gullies outside The Nags Head Public House, cleans are carried out by the District Council, if there are issues, we need to ask residents to get in touch with Derbyshire County Council. Talk from the Derbyshire Major Claire Ward who talking about transport and reducing student travel costs. The Major is not in charge of infrastructure such as highways it's still DCC, priorities are building housing and economically development. Flood wardens to be trained – please get in touch with Richard Ward for further information. Councillor Ian Allen raised the issue of Rotherham Road in New Houghton requiring re-surfacing. County Councillor C Dale will re-raise this issue with the appropriate lead councillors, Councillor Ian Allen reported further 2/3 pot-holes that require repairs – C Dale will take these forward. Councillor M Gamble reported that the double white lines on the bend of Newboundmill Lane need re-painting. Councillor L Radford stated that white lines also need repainting on Newboundmill Lane at the bottom outside the bottom cottage on the lane. Concerned raised regarding the hedge way where signage is hidden opposite Terrace Lane.

Item on previous agenda – regarding use of the Verney in a flood emergency. Both centres are available as a place of safety and refuge in an emergency.

- (3) Report from and Questions to District Councillor T Kirkham who had to leave the meeting early.

- (4) To confirm the date of next meeting – Monday 2nd December 2024 at The Verney

- (5) Minutes of the previous meeting of the 7th October 2024 approved and signed.

- (6) Chairman's announcements – None given at this time.

- (7) Reports

- (a) Report from Community Speedwatch initiative – No further Speedwatch sessions have been undertaken. Councillors discussed proposal from Councillor M Gamble that Pleasley Parish Council write to residents on Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley & Rotherham Road, New Houghton to ask if residents would be able to place 30 MPH speed limits Stickers on their wheelie bins, so that on the bin collection days there are further reminders to drivers about the speed limits. Clerk to check with BDC if stickers are allowed. 300 stickers would be required. Clerk could write to residents to determine who would be interested. Decision deferred until County Councillor C Dale discusses this matter with Bolsover District Council and feedback at next meeting

- (b) Allotments /Grazing Land correspondence/reports

i. Emails of 16/10/24 from Rachel Denning Technical Officer Environmental Protection Joint Environmental Health Service at NE Derbyshire. Case reference 24/08500/BONCOM - alleged smoke nuisance from burning on the allotments to the rear of Meden Avenue, New Houghton. The Clerk Clarified that the tenant been identified as burning on the allotment has been sent a reminder letter along with all the other tenants of both allotments and Meden & Crompton. Various other emails were received on 15/10/24 to clarify this issue.

ii. 12/10/24 Clerk has written to all Allotment Tenants reminding all allotment tenants of their responsibilities under their tenancy agreement not to light a fire on any part of the Allotment Garden such as to cause nuisance. Chair notes that only materials used on allotments are to be burnt but not to cause a nuisance.

Signed.....

Chair

iii. Properties that back onto Meden Grazing Land have also been written to on the 12/10/24 informing residents that we are also aware of the problem of overgrowth from The Meden Grazing Land growing onto neighbouring properties that back onto the Meden Grazing Land. As this land is currently without an active tenant to manage this issue as a Council, we in the process of clearing an area near the perimeters of the properties concerned. Thank you for your continued patience and understanding in these matters.

(c) Cemetery Correspondence/report

Email of 23/10/24 from Maddy of Mansfield Memorials application granted headstone for D Sweetmore. Fees of £75 for headstone received via Bacs 23/10/24.

(d) Footpaths correspondence/reports – none

(e) Highways correspondence/reports –

i. Email of 11/10/24 from District Councillor T Kirkham to Bridget Gould at Derbyshire County Council am writing to see if the request for improvements on Newboundmill Lane will go in for the next budget? As you could see when we did a walk of the road there are issues with speeding and inappropriate traffic on the road made worse by the chicane and badly marked out mini roundabout,

ii. Email of 17/10/24 from Bridget Gould at Derbyshire County Council I have submitted the changes to the chicane onto the 24/25 Capital Scheme list which is due to go to Cabinet for approval soon. I will let you know if it was successful in due course.

(f) New Houghton Community Centre correspondence/reports

Request from Winnie Bennett of Pleasley Branch of St John Ambulance for free use of New Houghton Community Centre for Volunteers training, awards and craft day on Saturday 7th December 2024. Councillors discussed this request. Councillors agreed to grant this request.

(g) Verney Institute correspondence/report

Verney Christmas Tree - A local resident who wishes to remain anonymous has offered to again pay for this year's Christmas tree

(h) Recreation Grounds correspondence/reports –

Previous email of 27/9/24 of Sarah Cooke Leisure Support Officer at Bolsover District Council with monthly Playground Inspection & Maintenance Service Report was discussed on our previous meeting.

Follow up date as below -

F Floor level Roundabout Carousel at Terrace Lane Recreation Ground Pleasley-

- Clerk has contacted The Contractor who undertook previous repairs to the bearing. Clerk confirmed via email of 14/10/24 from Angela Massey UK I&M Operations Manager of Hags UK that they have visited site to assess the roundabout reporting that It is possible that something is loose within the bearing/bearing housing that requires tightening, to access will require removing the platform which the engineer couldn't do during his visit, contactor confirmed they have scheduled for our engineers to remove the platform and make any adjustments to the bearing towards the end of October. Clerk to chase up.

(i) The appearance of Pleasley Parish Street Lighting correspondence/reports –

i. Email of 21/10/24 from District Councillor T Kirkham who referred to resident who has been tending a bit of land at the corner of midland cottages. It is alleged that this land not owned by anybody, and the resident has had a disagreement with his neighbour about it. Request for the Parish Council make a note of the land and other areas where people have put flowers. Councillor T Kirkham has forwarded a copy of the Title Plan from HM Land Register – however to be discussed at the next meeting once title register is available.

ii. Email of 14/10/24 from Alison Smith of Public Transport, it has been reported to me that the bus shelter at Pleasley on the A617 has been damaged with a smashed panel. Our out of hours team have cleaned up the glass from the shelter, but the shelter will now need repairing. Please can you arrange to inspect and repair the shelter as necessary. (see following email)

iii. Email of 18/10/24 from Alison Smith of Public Transport - It has been reported to me that both of the bus shelters (on either side of the dual carriageway) at Pleasley are damaged and need panels replacing. Please can you arrange for these shelters to be repaired See photos below. (which have been copied to councillors). Clerk has requested further quote from Shelter Maintenance regarding the total of cost of panel replacements. Councillors discussed this quote however, because of ongoing vandalism and the cost of repairs decision was made to not replace the Perspex in the shelters.

iv. Email of 27/10/24 from Jim Brooks of Shelter Maintenance Can I draw your attention to stop number 1000DNHR8004, our cleaner has reported it as being dangerous. It is very loose and is in danger of falling over. Flagpole very loose and requires immediate attention. It was pointed out by Councillors that is a matter for Derbyshire County Council Highways, Clerk to forward.

v. Email of 17/10/24 from Chris Tyler of Derbyshire County Council to forward copy of Flood Risk Management presentation slides, as used at Tuesday night's Parish & Town Council Liaison Forum.

vi. Clerk has correspondence with Sam Botham of Agricultural Services who has quoted £60 per hour to cut the hedge on Terrace Lane Pleasley, initial estimate is a couple of hours work and he can fit the work towards the back end of November if required, Councillors to discuss approving this quote. Councillors

(8) Pleasley Parish Council's Newsletter – Councillors to discuss plans for the next edition of the newsletter. Mick Gamble has produced a copy for councillors. Once proof read – councillors approved newsletter for printing.

(9) Live and Local reports –Discussed arrangements for future bookings. Review of 28th September 2024 with Serena Smith & friends, following event is 54 North on 16th November 2024 with 40 out of 60 sold to-date.

(10) Correspondence (not quoted elsewhere in agenda)

i. QUOTE 1 - Email of 27/9/24 Katie Goodsell Renewal Quote received from AJG insurance Brokers Ltd The premium (including IPT and all fees) for the year will be: £3,922.31 for the period from the 23rd November 2024 to the 22nd November 2025. The Clerk is waiting for a further quote to bring to Councillors for approval discussed at previous meeting.

ii. QUOTE 2 – Email of 14/10/24 from The Clear Councils Group at a total premium of £3,177.49 inclusive of 12% insurance premium tax and our arrangement fee of £45.00. A 3-year Long Term Undertaking would reduce the annual premium to £ 3,031.32 including insurance premium tax. This is with Aviva Insurance Plc. Councillors discussed which quote to approve and to determine if we wish to enter into a 3-year arrangement for further reduce costs. Councillors approved 3 year quote.

iii. Engineering and Construction Insurance – (which is required for our Boiler systems /Pressure systems) at both community centres. Aviva Insurance Limited quote for the period from the 23rd November 2024 to the 22nd November 2025. The premium (including IPT and all fees) for the year will be: £566.36. Councillors to approved quote.

iv. Email from Jonathan Tipton 14/10/24 Full School Holiday 2025 programme Including Easter, May half term, summer holidays, oct half term (10 weeks) 10 session = £3200. Jonathan explained we have missed the deadline for early booking however he will keep in the background a possible booking from Pleasley PC and we have commissioned Extreme Wheels for a number of years now. But as the project is self-financing, I cannot hold off any longer and need to catch other potential clients, hopefully look forward to hearing a positive outcome short of the 4th November. Councillors to discuss approval of quote. Email reply of 28th October from County Councillor Christine Dale replying via Clerk re Councillors W Kirkham's extreme wheels funding query... "I can probably give only limited help for extreme wheels as County halved our funding this year." Clerk notes that cost for Extreme Wheels remains the same as last year and has been budgeting for. County Councillor C Dale confirmed that DCC to make a small contribution towards this cost. Councillors Approved Extreme Wheels booking for 2025.

v. Email of 9/10/24 from Colin Hampton of Derbyshire Unemployed Workers. Thank you for the Cheque for £500 that was gratefully received today. We will make a request prior to April 2025. I will send a copy of our annual report as soon as it is available.

vi. Email of 8/10/24 from Jamille Riverol from DALC with a copy of the October Newsletter – sent to councillors on 10/10/24 via email.

(11) Councillors to discuss arrangements for Remembrance Day arrangements which falls on Sunday 10th November 2024 Remembrance Day — Invitation received from Val Gamble inviting Members of Pleasley Parish Council are invited to attend a service of Remembrance on Sunday 10th November 2024 at The Miner’s Welfare Pleasley at 10:15 a.m. followed by the Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial outside Pleasley Welfare Club at 11:00 a.m. and New Houghton Memorial at 11:15am. Poppies form the front of cenotaph to improve access

(12) Planning Matters

In accordance with the orders and regulations made under the above Act - Sarah Kay MRTPI Assistant Director of Planning and Planning Policy should be pleased to receive your comments within 21 days of the date on the following notifications. Copies of the relevant details and plans submitted in connection with the above application can be found on the Councils web site:

PLANNING APPLICATIONS - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND/OR REVISED PLANS

1. 18/10/24

Application No: 24/00277/LAWEX

Proposal: Lawful Development Certificate for the existing use of the site for the stationing of 2no mobile homes for permanent use by Travelling Showmen

Location: Station Yard Chesterfield Road Pleasley Mansfield

Applicant: Mr Antony Marshall

I refer to your correspondence regarding the above application for Lawful Existing Use or Development.

The application has been withdrawn. Consideration of the application has therefore stopped and a decision will not be made.

(13) Banking – see overleaf – Clerk to quarterly check on water metres for Verney, NH, Meden and Crompton

Signed.....

Chair

Date	Type	Description	Income	Expenditure	Balance
		Opening Balance			20602.69
30-Sep-24	BAC	Live & Local Concert Ticket Income - ROBERTS	25		20627.69
30-Sep-24	BAC	Live & Local Concert Ticket Income - GAMBLE 54 NORTH	25		20652.69
30-Sep-24	ITL	BOLSOVER DISTRICT PRECEPT PAYMENT	47790		68442.69
30-Sep-24	DPC	Month 6 Staff Salary Payments		-3065.57	65377.12
30-Sep-24	DPC	HMRC CUMBERNAULD Staff Liabilities - Tax & National Insurance		-638.06	64739.06
01-Oct-24	BAC	S HODKINSON DALE END GRAZING LAND - MONTHLY FIELD RENT	75		64814.06
01-Oct-24	BAC	D HUTCHINSON DALE END GRAZING LAND - MONTHLY FIELD RENT	50		64864.06
01-Oct-24	BAC	MS JENNIFER MELLOR DALE END GRAZING LAND - MONTHLY FIELD RENT	75		64939.06
01-Oct-24	D/D	BOLSOVER D C , 800197465 New Houghton Community Tax		-120	64819.06
01-Oct-24	D/D	BOLSOVER D C , 800224800 The Verney Community Tax		-117	64702.06
03-Oct-24	DPC	PKF LITTLEJOHN LLP, SB20243004 DE0178 External Auditor Fees 2023/24		-504	64198.06
03-Oct-24	DPC	BOLSOVER DISTRICT Playground Maintenance - August 2024 Inspections		-156	64042.06
03-Oct-24	DPC	General Srvs Mansf, Inv 2969 Powerjet Wash The Verney Steps		-100	63942.06
03-Oct-24	DPC	SHELTERMAINTAINLTD, INV15886 Cleaning of 9 Bus shelters Pleasley and NH September 24		-77.76	63864.3
03-Oct-24	D/D	AQUISS September 2024 Internet Fees - New Houghton Community Centre		-36	63828.3
03-Oct-24	D/D	NEST , IT000003863474 Staff Pension Fees Month 6		-68.62	63759.68
09-Oct-24	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINE, 600221089 Gas New Houghton Community Centre		-58.3	63701.38
11-Oct-24	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINE, 600983076 Gas Verney		-478.43	63222.95
14-Oct-24	DPC	Amazon clerk stationary 2 x Invoices / 2nd & 3rd Oct 24		-14.34	63208.61
14-Oct-24	DPC	Amazon - Staplers - Stationary		-8.86	63199.75
14-Oct-24	DPC	P A BRIGGS B&q replacement bulb receipt fo 2/10/24		-10	63189.75
14-Oct-24	DPC	Amazon 301 Hp printer cartridge inks		-35.95	63153.8
14-Oct-24	CHQ	Scarecrow Festival Charity Donation to Derbyshire Unemployed Workers Chq No 001198		-500	62653.8
14-Oct-24	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINE, 600983076 Gas Verney		-66.24	62587.56
15-Oct-24	CHQ	Scarecrow entrant Prize Cheque 001206		-25	62562.56
15-Oct-24	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINE, 601078068 Electricity New Houghton Community Centre		-81.65	62480.91
16-Oct-24	BAC	Live & Local Concert Ticket Booking - MANNING 54 North	25		62505.91
17-Oct-24	DPC	Cartridge People , GB241007-LA6264079 Full set +extra Black Laser Cartridges		-237.51	62268.4
18-Oct-24	DPC	SHELTERMAINTAINLTD, INV15777 Cleaning of 9 Bus shelters Pleasley and NH August 2024		-77.76	62190.64
18-Oct-24	D/D	PERSONNEL HYGIENE , AI00203691 , Community Hygiene Units		-985.86	61204.78
18-Oct-24	CHQ	Staff Month 6 Salary Payment chq 001199		-719.16	60485.62
21-Oct-24	D/D	BT GROUP PLC , GP00456935-000074 Verney Internet / Phone		-44.17	60441.45
21-Oct-24	D/D	WATER PLUS , 7001454807 Crompton Street - Water Bill		-68.68	60372.77
22-Oct-24	D/D	WATER PLUS , 0510004799 New Houghton Community Centre - Water Bill		-56.69	60316.08
22-Oct-24	D/D	WATER PLUS , 0748010617 - Meden Allotment Water Bill		-51.55	60264.53
22-Oct-24	D/D	WATER PLUS , 0831128392 - Verney Water Bill		-2009.38	58255.15
22-Oct-24	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINE, 601078138 Electricity Verney		-105.06	58150.09
23-Oct-24	BAC	MANSFIELD MEMORIAL, DAVID SWEETMORE Memorial Headstone Fees	75		58225.09
24-Oct-24	D/D	SAGE GLOBAL SERVIC, Accounting Software		-54	58171.09
		Total Expenditure/Income - during period	48140	-10571.6	
		Opening Balance	20602.7		
		Closing Balance	58171.1		

The following item/s for Councillors to determine if members of the public or press to be excluded from the meeting due to the following: Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Sec 1 (2) states; " A body may, by resolution, exclude the public from a meeting (whether during the whole or part of the proceedings) whenever publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for other special reasons stated in the resolution and arising from the nature of that business or of the proceedings; and where such a resolution is passed, this Act shall not require the meeting to be open to the public during proceedings to which the resolution applies."

17) Update from Clerk & Chair regarding consultation meeting held with Caretaking staff on Monday 28th October 2024 to the review hours worked. Decision deferred to the next meeting.

Signed.....
Chair