Pebworth Parish Council Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council

Held at the Pebworth Village Hall on Monday 5th August 2013.

Present: Cllrs. John Hyde, David Lees, June Haycock, Pam Veal, Albert Jeffrey David Cranage & Cllr. Simon Shiers

In attendance: John Stedman (Clerk), Ward Member Cllr. Alistair Adams and four members of the public.

61. Apologies were accepted from: All members present

62. Disclosures of Interests

- a. Members were reminded of the need to keep their register of interests updated.
- **b.** To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in Items on the agenda and their nature.
- 63. To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests None declared

Other Disclosable Interests - None declared

64. Chairman Moved: The meeting be now adjourned for Open Forum **Open Forum:**

Clerk's report; Two members of the public gave their support to the naming of Honeybourne Road and issued the Council with evidence of their property addresses. They informed the Council they had lived on Honeybourne Road for over 30 years.

Mr Powell asked the Council to reconsider the naming of the development site off Honeybourne Road as he considered the Tracy family name should be used for street naming and "Tracy Gardens" should be considered as the family has been in the village since the 17th century. He was informed that his letter and a letter from Mr Tracy would be considered later in the meeting when the possibility of changing the street name would be discussed.

County & District Ward Member Cllr. Alistair Adams gave his report which is appended to the minutes.

65. Confirmation of the Minutes: The Council agreed the wording of the minutes of the July ordinary meeting and the Chairman signed them as a true record of the meeting.

66. The Clerk's Progress Reports.

- a) The Funereal Bier stored at St Lawrence Church Evesham is there because the Almonry Museum has no room to store it in suitable conditions; it is in good conditions and looked after by the church volunteers. Matter resolved
- **b**) Replacement of the Buckle Street name sign on Ullington Cross roads the WDC are reluctant to replace it again as the last three new signs have been damaged in recent times.
- c) Confirmation of the letter sent to the School governors ref:- pre-school support
- **d)** Interment of ashes in the cemetery plot 320 for Mr Andrews will take place in October the fee to be paid shortly.
- e) Planning enforcement, Maple Barn, Back Lane the enforcement officer found the works carried out conformed to the approved plans and no action will be taken.
- **f)** Wychavon Games it was noted three games are booked for Pebworth.

67. Planning Application considered

a) C/13/01462/OL Land of Chapel Road - Reposition of pole 26, division of line, provision of underground cable, relocation of pole 24 and H pole to a single pole - Council has no objection or comment on the application

b) W/13/00132/OU: Codex, Land adjacent to Simms metals development of 380 dwellings – several plan amendments: - Connection with St Modwen land, distant facilities, Transport assessment, update on the traffic roundabout, Response to BARD & provision of constraints. Having received the planning appeal documents stating the application for an appeal has been accepted by the appeal inspector the Council agreed to make representation to the appeal proceedings.

These will include the Council's original objection, data from the SWDP, data from the neighbourhood plan questionnaire and any information from liaisons with neighbouring Parish Councils.

It was further agree to offer financial support up to £200 to the BARD campaign against the development to help with printing and distributing posters in the locality.

Investigation will be made into the section 106 contractual agreements for the development.

c) W/13/01513/PN Crabtree Farm Dorsington Road – erection of an agricultural building; Council has no objection or comment on the application.

68. Planning Decisions Noted:

- c) W/13/01217/PN: Cala Homes: Chapel Road, substitution of house type on plot 8 Granted with 5 conditions
- **d) Appeal decision APP /H1840/A/13/2193607** for Windy Ridge Buckle Street by Mr Zubek. The appeal is dismissed.

69. Facilities Funding:

- a) Members considered a draft sport and recreation project questionnaire aimed at gaining community preferences when considering project expenditure using the New Homes Bonus. It was agreed to expand the questionnaire to encompass other community facilities such as Village Hall improvement, Children's Play, Youth facilities, improvements to The Close and provision of allotments. The questionnaire will be part of a Parish Pump publication in September.
- **b)** Members noted that the section 106 funding from the new Cala Homes sites had been fully allocated to the Village Hall improvements and extension.

70. Village Hall:

a) Cllr. David Lees reported no further progress on Village Hall development to date and the liaison with Cala Homes over the sewer improvement funding is on-going.

71. Neighbourhood Plan Working Group -

- a) Cllr. David Lees circulated his July monthly report confirming data collection was complete and the final scoping will now be considered when the data analysis is completed. He also reported on the success of the NHP training meeting which Parish Council members attended.
- **b)** Ownership of the land off New Road: Cllr. David Lees has established who the owners are and has had an informal meeting whereby future use of the land was mooted without any formal suggestions being made. Further correspondence will be made later when the current data analysing is completed.

72. Finance:

- a) Council approved the Payments, Receipts and Balances issued by the Clerk. Appendix A
- **b**) The Clerk reported on the closure of the 2012-13 audited accounts with no matters of concern being raised. The posting on the notice boards of the audit closure notice for the statutory time of 14 days was complete.
- c) Clerk report on the Clerk's pay scale increases as agreed by the National joint Council for Local Government Services where a 1% increase is awarded and back dated to April 13

73. Highway Matters:

- a) New highway matters to be reported.
 - (a) Pothole at the junction of Back Lane and School Road
 - (b) Three bags of rubbish dumped by the T junction on Mickleton Lane
- **b**) Honeybourne Road street signage; Having received notice that objectors have issued a summons for the matter to be referred to the Magistrates Court and taking legal advice on the procedure the Council agreed to gather evidence to support the District Council in presenting the case to the Magistrates.
- c) Council considered letters from Mr James Powell and Mr Ron Tracy regarding the Cala site street naming of Wesley Gardens. Mr Powell's presentation in open forum was also considered in the discussion of this item. As the matter was resolved at the May Council meeting the Chairman pointed out that to change any formal decision of the Council within a six month period a special resolution is required. Following an extended debate and considering the time it would take to make changes now the name Wesley Gardens is registered in the Street Name Gazetteer it was agreed the name change request would not be supported. Clerk to write to Mr Tracy and Mr Powell informing them of the Council's decision.
- **d) Grit Bin**: The site for new grit bins in Friday Street was agreed to be to the right of the field gate, the Clerk will order a new green bin and have the Lengthsman install it.
- e) Verge Mowing: No quotations were received for verge mowing.
- **f**) As only one quotation was received for regular mowing of the verge in School Street further quotations will be pursued for the next meeting.
- g) Members expressed their dismay at the closure of Honeybourne Road by Severn Trent Water when two tankers were parked on the road for one day but the road remained closed for a week. Added to this inconvenience Station Road in Honeybourne was closed at the same time.

74. Lengthsman/Handyman

- a) To consider any new Lengthsman or Handyman matters. None requested
- b) Members reported that action requests last month were all completed: -
 - (a) Mickleton Lane highway signage to be cleared
 - (b) Gully by the bus shelter opposite the church to be un-blocked.
 - (c) Footway opposite White Cottage to have the hedge cut back
 - (d) Strim the visibility splays at Martins Corner

75. Public Rights of Way:

- **a)** The PROW finger post in Back Lane has not been replaced and it was agreed to request the Handyman to reinstate the old one albeit on a shorter post
- **b**) The PROW through the Slingate off Dorsington Road is very overgrown and requires clearance; the Chairman will request Mr Giddings to mow the site

76. Street Lighting:

- a) Faulty lights to be reported. None at this time
- **b)** Council considered the Cala homes proposals for the streetlights on the Cala sites and agreed that two lights on each road and one new light on the Honeybourne Road site junction was satisfactory. A request will be made to have the lights on part-night timers synchronised with the other lights in the parish.

77. The Close and Recreation Field:

- a) **Inspection:** The Chairman's report: The regular visual inspection of the play equipment found no safety problems with the equipment or the site. A maintenance matter requires attention whereby the safety matting under the balance scales needs an under-fill of topsoil to rectify the ground sinkage.
- **b)** The safety surface under the swings is under investigation with contractors for its replacement, quotations will be considered at the September meeting.
- c) **Zip Wire:** The loose stop end on the Zip Wire has been reported to Timberplay who have offered to attend to the matter when in the area, no attendance has taken place to date.
- d) Recreation Field: Actions agreed to be undertaken; the boundary hedge to be cut, sheep to be removed by the end of September, request GCC to have their ditch and culvert cleared out. Members noted that the sheep have done a good job in keeping the grass short and saved considerable expenses in mowing cost throughout the summer

78. Allotments:

a) The Clerk reported that the planning officers are working on an outline plan for the scheme which is expected for consideration at the September meeting.

79. Pebworth in Bloom:

- a) Cllr Simon Shiers reported a very good turnout at the judging day presentation in the Village Hall and the judges were very impressed particularly with the community support. Committee members will be attending the awards ceremony in Birmingham in September. Simon also reported on the theft of Geraniums from some of the troughs in the village.
- b) The In-Bloom Committee requested financial support from the Council to enable the replacement of the dilapidated stone and concrete wall in Town Pool. The project is to remove the old wall and replace it with railway sleepers to retain the soil embankment. Having considered the council's budget for the In-Bloom committee it was agreed to support the Town Pool works with a grant of £200 and to ensure the WDC conservation officer is agreeable to the proposed works. The Clerk was asked to gain confirmation as to the ownership of the Town Pool land.

80. Correspondence to note:

- c) Letter from Peter Luff MP ref: planning policy on Traveller sites
- d) Clerks and Councils direct
- e) Warwickshire waste core strategy adoption statement
- f) St Modwen Long Marston Estate newsletter
- 81. Matters Raised by Members for Consideration and or items for future agendas.
 - **a. Cllr. Pam Veal:** Pam requested the Pebworth Discretionary Fund Christmas gift scheme is advertised throughout the autumn months in all parish publications to ensure full coverage of all residents. Clerk to make the arrangements with the Piper, Church Magazine and place the advert in the Parish Pump.
- a) **Next Meeting:** It was confirmed the next ordinary meeting of the Council is scheduled for the 8th September at 7.00 pm

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APPENDIX A: FINANCE

PAYMENTS TO BE AUTHORISED

Aug-13 Meeting

Cheque	Payee	Details	Total	VAT	Net	
No.			Payment	Element	Payment	
D/D	Npower	Streetlight Energy	45.92	7.65	38.27	
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1391	Grant Thornton	External Auditors	240.00	40.00	200.00	
1392	J Stedman	Clerks salary and expenses	624.91		624.91	
1393	Limebridge RS	Mowing contract	508.80	84.80	424.00	
1394	Kevin Watkins	Lengthsman work	176.05		176.05	
1394	Kevin Watkins	Handyman Works	50.00		50.00	
1395	Wychavon Sport	Wychavon Parish Games	18.00		18.00	
<u>.</u>	-		1,974.74	147.26	1,827.48	

All Paid Up Bank Accounts	
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT	35,042.79
CURRENT ACCOUNT	9,081.60
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	44,124.39
Reserve Lighting Fund	2,660.00
Reserve Capital Fund	5,000.00
Neighbourhood Plan Fund	6,259.93
Revenue available	30,204.46

District Councillor report - Pebworth

Month: August 2013

Prepared by Alastair Adams Honeybourne & Pebworth Ward, Wychavon District Council

- 1. Major news 380 new houses next to SIMS re-cycling plant in Pebworth/Long Marston has gone to Appeal. The developer has gone straight to appeal for non-determination within time frame. The Planning Inspector has agreed to the Appeal. This means that that the Planning Inspector, and not the District Council, will decide whether this development will be built. If you do not want 380 new houses built in the parish of Pebworth, you need to show you opposition in a BIG WAY. See the attached letter to find out more. Also Posters are being printed, so if you object to this development and don't want it to go ahead, please make sure your views are clearly displayed to the inspector as he drives around this area. Email me if you want a poster adams.pebworth@gmail.com.
- 2. **Planning Carla Homes Sites** I visited the Site Manager to see the sample wall of blue lias stone it looks good, and was approved. They have already built a garage wall with some blue lias. I also asked for the site manager to strim the verges around the site which he has now done.

3. Resident issues:

- a. **SIMS Fire/working outside of hours.-** The EA are still compiling their report on the fire. Further evidence of SIMS working outside their permitted hours has been submitted to the enforcement department at WDC
- **b. Abandon caravan:** I reported the caravan as a suspected abandon vehicle via the App "Looking Local". Within minutes I received confirmation that it would be investigated, and it has since been towed away.
- 4. **Flooding** I met with Pathways warden at WCC to discuss Green Lane at the bottom of Priory Lane. She confirmed it was owned by WCC, and also agreed she would organise for the lane to be levelled and new hard standing to be laid. The levelling should help with the flooding issues. Still awaiting a date from the Chief Engineer to visit Pebworth to agree a plan of action for the brook.
- 5. **Broadband** —The tender for Broadband for the county has been received by WCC and it has been confirmed BT has been awarded the contract. However, we will not know how this affects Pebworth until September.

End of District Councillor report

NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING APPEAL

PLANNING INSPECTORATE REF:- APP/H1840/A/13/2202364

Appeal Start Date: 01/08/2013

Appellant(s) Name: Codex Land Promotions Ltd

Proposal: Outline planning application for a mixed use development, comprising up to 380 dwellings, up to 5000m2 of employment (Class B1(c)) floor space, a minimum of 400 sq metres of community (Class D2) building(s), public open space and associated landscaping and infrastructure, straddling the administrative boundaries of Wychavon and Stratford District Council.

Proposed access arrangements and associated infrastructure (comprising a new roundabout at the access/egress onto Campden Road) lying with Stratford District Council.

Site at: Land Adjacent to, Sims Metals UK (South West) Limited, Long Marston, Pebworth

We write to tell you that a planning appeal has been lodged with The Planning Inspectorate due to the non determination of the application. A copy of the decision, Appellant's Grounds of Appeal and all correspondence can be looked at on the Wychavon web site at www.wychavon.gov.uk, under planning. The appeal will be determined on the basis of an Inquiry, and we will tell you details of when this will take place two weeks before the arranged date. The procedure to be followed is set out in the Town and Country Planning Appeals (Determination by Inspectors) (Inquiries Procedure) (England) Rules 2000.

We have forwarded all representations made to us on the application to the Planning Inspectorate, and the appellant. These will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

If you wish to make comments, or modify/withdraw your previous representation, you can do so on the Planning Portal at www.planningportal.gov.uk/pcs

If you do not have access to the internet, you can send three copies to The Planning Inspectorate, The Planning Inspectorate, 3/02 Wing Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN or you can email directly to: robert.cook@pins.gsi.gov.uk

All representations must be received to the Planning Inspectorate by 12/09/2013. Representations received after the deadline will not usually be considered and will be returned. The Planning Inspectorate does not acknowledge representations. All representations must quote the appeal reference. Please note that any representations you submit to the Planning Inspectorate will be copied to the appellant and this local planning authority and will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

The appeal documents are available to view on our website www.wychavon.gov.uk under planning reference no: W/13/00132/OU.

You can get a copy of one of the Planning Inspectorate's "Guide to taking part in planning appeals" booklets free of charge from the Planning Portal at www.planningportal.gov.uk/pcs or from WDC.

When made, the decision will be published on the Planning Portal at www.planningportal.gov.uk/pcs and you can also view a copy of the decision notice on our website link:

http://www.e-wychavon.org.uk/wychavon/plan search/search.html

under the planning reference no: W/13/00132/OU.

If you wish to discuss the appeal would you please contact The Planning Inspectorate

County Councillor Report- Pebworth

Month: August 2013

Prepared by Alastair Adams Littletons Division, Worcestershire County Council

Highways -

Here is an update on the following road works in this area. We are making progress!

C2006 Buckle St, Station Rd, Weston Rd Honeybourne Patching- Completed

C2274 Mickleton Rd Honeybourne Patching - Completed

C2009 Sheenhill Lane South Littleton Patching- Completed

C2214 Arrow Ln North Littleton Patching - completed

B4085 Blackminster Surfacing

B4035 Bretforton (Main road through) Patching & Surfacing - started

C2049 Long Marston Rd Pebworth Patching - completed

B4510 Offenham Surface Dressing – date confirmed

I had a meeting on 5th August with Ian Bamforth Head of Highways – he called the meeting – to discuss progress with the roads around here. He confirmed he has visited Pebworth and the surrounding villages to see some of the things I have reported and to check the work is being done! Nice to know we are getting such personal service now!

PACT. (**Police Liaison Meeting**) I attended the meeting at Evesham police Station on 8th July, and it was announced that Evesham North Rural will have a substantial increase in policing resources. Currently we have just 1x patrol person, and 1x CSO (community Support Officer). We will soon have 2x patrol person, and 2x CSO's, a CSO for the schools, and 6 x Special Constables. Speeding has been identified as an area that will receive considerable more focus! So be warned!

30mph stickers for wheelie bins Following our trial last year, these are now being produced by the West Mercia Safer Road Partnerships, and I have some if any one wants some; simply contact me – they are free but must only be applied to wheelie bins.

Commissioning. I attended a meeting on the County Council's main strategy to save up to £100million – commissioning. This basically means looking at all services and deciding whether there is a better way of supplying the service by out-sourcing.

End of report