

# PEOPLETON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th November 2019 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Peopleton.

## Public Question Time

The time allocated is at the discretion of the council/chairman. Residents are invited to give their views and question the parish council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the chairman. Members of the public may not take part in the parish council meeting itself. This period is not part of the formal meeting; brief notes will be appended to the minutes as an aide memoire

1. **Members and Officers Present:** Cllrs Phillips (Chair), Mason, Bailey, Hennerley, Smith, Wall, CC Adams, Mark Constanduros (website), Steve Smith (village trust) and 4 members of the public
2. **Apologies:** DC Robinson and Cllr Baxter
3. **Declarations of Interest:**
  - a) Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
  - b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in terms on the agenda and their nature
  - c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature
  - d) Written requests for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) are to be with the clerk at least for clear days prior to a meetingCouncillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, or an Other Disclosable Interest which falls within the terms of paragraph 12(4) (b) of the code of conduct, must leave the room for the relevant items.
4. **Minutes:** Minutes of the September 2019 Council meeting were approved as true and accurate. Proposed by TM and seconded by DW
5. **County Councillors' report:**
  - Cllr Adams suggested once the planned playground was completed it would be a nice gesture to invite the panel back to see the project completed
  - Cabinet Minister Alan Amos has agreed to a meeting regarding a possible speed reduction on the A44 on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 3.15pm. Representatives from Drakes Broughton will be in attendance alongside Peopleton. It was agreed that the Clerk will attend alongside Cllr Phillips (if available) Cllr Wall and Parishioner Mr Simms
  - Highlighted the 6 week consultation is now underway for the South Worcestershire Development Plan and it's good that councillors have attended the meetings, there is currently no new development planned in Peopleton within the plan
  - New campaign Tell Someone has been launched to raise awareness of child sexual exploitation in Worcestershire- website <http://www.tell-someone.org/>
6. **Planning**
  - To consider the following planning applications-

Application Number :	19/02413/HP
Location:	7 Dineley Road, Peopleton, Pershore, WR10 2EJ
Description of Proposal:	Proposed single storey extension to the rear and front of property.
Applicant :	Mr Harm Gordijn

- Update on planning application 19/02046/CU Change of use at Stone Arrow Farm- Looks to be approved with conditions
- It was noted that at Stone Arrow Farm the main entrance is not being noticeably used but the entrance opposite the farm instead which is destroying the verge- Clerk to pass on to Cllr Robinson
- Clerk to ask enforcement if the trailers located in the field being used to store hay are still actively being used

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## 7. Progress reports:

- a) Chairmans report
  - Thanked Cllr Mason for looking after parish affairs and for his work in the application for the Village of Culture
  - Encouraged all councillors who represent various organisations in the village to support the new website by sending through dates, events and information to be included
  - Highlighted consultation dates for the SWDP
  - Latest CALC update includes ' A Councillors workbook on acting on climate change' which is a useful learning aid for councillors
  - CALC AGM is Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 18.30
  - Wychavon CALC meeting is on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December
- b) Village trust
  - New lights installed in Village Hall- with thanks to Cllr Adams
  - Turnover is up which is good
  - Some small issues with the MUGA but consulting with the contractor over this
- c) Village shop
  - New Manager has been appointed Jenny McDonald and currently in training
  - Shop has a contract now with the Post Office with an official handover on 20<sup>th</sup> November
  - Will make a loss this year due to paying two salaries in November to train up the new manager
  - Post Office will have slightly reduced hours of 24 a week and this will be publicised locally
- d) PACT
  - Nothing to report
- e) Lengthsman
  - 3 benches in the village which need some maintenance will request a quote from Lengthsman to carry out the work
- f) Footpaths
  - There is a bridle path from Wassels corner to Pinvin Rd and a work party has been organised to clear it through so people can access it
- g) Highways & Byways issues
  - Growth cleared at Wassells Corner-Clerk to thank Mr Powell as the councillors are very grateful to him for cutting it back
  - Green Lane- deep ruts still need filling in but will have to be when the land dries out now( Cllr Adams did provide the funding for the work to be carried out)
  - Damaged fence at Wassels corner has been reported to Wychavon and new marker posts need to be placed on the bend still
- h) New Residents' welcome pack
  - Nearly updated
- i) Flooding
  - Ditches need clearing over the south side of the village
  - Concerns over possible future flooding in the south side of the village- it was agreed that the Clerk will contact BWB who completed the flood alleviation for the north side of the village for a quote but also chase a meeting with Martyn Cross Wychavon engineer which was promised earlier in the year

## 8. Village of Culture

- Not successful this time but there has been useful learnings from the application process for the future and the website can still be updated
- Mark Constanduros holding a meeting with relevant village groups on 14/11/19 on how to use and update the new site
- Already 45 people subscribed, need to highlight it in Bowline and noticeboards for others to subscribe and the first newsletter will go live on 15<sup>th</sup> November

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- Small monthly cost will be paid by the Parish Council and then shared out between the Parish council, Village Trust and shop

## 9. Community Legacy grant- Playground

- Steve Smith presented the plans for the new childrens playground
- Work needed to lift trees and clear the site before contractors can start in March 2020
- Plans include zip wire, tunnels, slides and lots of seating
- Limited fencing and hard landscaping instead keeping it natural
- Currently within budget just firming up estimates to an actual quote

## 10. Finance

- a) Budget for 2020/2021- Has to be set by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020 and therefore the January 2020 Parish council meeting will commence earlier at 7pm to discuss and agree the budget
- b) Update on the budget/ Bank balance as at end of October 2019

Treasurers Account £9,778.04  
Business Account £6,070.25

- c) Approved the following payments:

Wychavon- Dog bin	£617.71
Lengthsman September	£156
Lengthsman October	£96
Clerks Salary Oct/Nov	£398.84
Clerk expenses	£52.22

11. **Correspondence for Information:** To note the attached appendix of items which have been circulated or will be available for inspection at the meeting. (OR a list of items will be available at the meeting)
12. **Future agenda items and reports:** Councillors may use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas
13. **Date of next meeting:** To confirm the date of the next meeting as 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 9.08pm

Signed.....

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### Future meetings

January 15/01/20  
March 11/03/20  
May 13/05/20  
July 08/07/20  
September 09/09/20  
November 11/11/20

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## Public session

- Concern was raised regarding flooding on the south side of the village and not enough was being done a meeting was promised some three years ago with the Engineer Manager at Wychavon but this still not had taken place
- Ditches around the village also need clearing to alleviate flooding and photos were shown as proof of the issue

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