

**Pebworth Parish Council**

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council  
Held at the Pebworth Village Hall on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012.

**Present:** Cllrs. John Hyde (Chairman), June Haycock, Albert Jeffrey, Simon Shiers, David Cranage, David Lees, & Pam Veal

**In attendance** – John Stedman (Clerk), Ward Member Cllr. Alistair Adams, and one member of the public.

**119. Apologies:** Cllr. Tom Bean

**120. 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.
- c. To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.

**Disclosable Pecuniary Interests** None declared

**Other Disclosable Interests** – None declared

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

**Open Forum:** A member of the public asked about the progress with the proposed allotment land. The Chairman said the matter is in hand and will be considered later in the meeting.

**Ward Members**

**Cllr. Alistair Adams** gave his report which is appended to the minutes.

**Cllr. Tom Bean – not in attendance**

**122. Chairman Moved:** The adjournment be closed.

**123. Confirmation of the Minutes:** Council agreed the wording of the minutes of the September meeting and the Chairman signed them as a true record of the meeting.

**124. The Clerk's Progress Reports.**

- a) Environmental noise disturbance on the August Bank Holiday; Following enquiries to WDC the Clerk was informed one-off out of hours disturbances will not normally be investigated.
- b) Enforcement action regarding Sims Metal breach of Sec-106; following Cllr Alistair Adams investigation there will be a week long noise surveillance carried out and noise reduction measures taken on site.
- c) Allocation of funds from the Global Gathering; the Clerk confirmed Pebworth residents can be considered for reduced rate event tickets and local charities can apply for donation from the Global Gathering.
- d) St, Modwen's public consultation on the Long Marston Camp site proposals at Quinton Village Hall 26th September. Members reported the consultation was very positive and St Modwen will now implement the leisure facilities as in the original application.

**125. Planning Matters**

- a) The Foxley Tagg presentation for 333 dwellings held at the Masons Arms 25th September; Members considered the presentation was merely a box ticking exercise and asked the Clerk to request a full public presentation of the detailed plans prior to submission as the numbers of proposed dwellings is not clear. A further request for a summary of the feed-back questionnaires will be made. The WDC Planning Officer will be asked to request Foxley Tagg for a full public presentation of detailed plans prior to submission.
- b) The Clerk confirmed the SWDP significant changes consultation was returned.

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### 126. Planning Decisions to note

- a) W/12/01613/PN Mr Weller, Location Back Lane, erection of a new dwelling -  
Granted with 12 conditions

### 127. Neighbourhood Plan Working Group

- a) Cllr David Lees reported the plan process is progressing and he asked the Parish Council to make a formal application to WDC to enable the process to move forward and enabling some of the front runner funding to be made available. Council agreed to this request and also agreed a further request to sign up to an OS mapping agreement. A time-line chart is now in place setting out the method and procedures to complete the plan. Cllr David Lees suggested the Clerk keeps a time log of his work on the plan as this will be paid for from the plan funding. On taking advice from the planning officers ~~Cllr David Lees proposed~~ the plan should not encompass the whole parish but only the existing settlements. ~~The Council agreed to the proposal~~<sup>1</sup> and a definitive area map will be presented to the next meeting. Cllr Pam Veal is progressing with the plan questionnaire and will be presenting a draft in the near future. Cllr David Lees proposed and it was agreed that the Parish Council will pay for all neighbourhood plan meetings in the Village Hall main room. The Clerk will account for this meeting expenditure and reimburse the Council from the plan funds.
- b) The Clerk reported that one of the letters to the New Road land owners had been returned as the addressee had moved away some 12 years ago. No other responses received to date. The Clerk will make further enquires with Bromford Homes who are the New Road social housing landlords.

### 128. Highways:

- a) New highway matters to be reported: - Long Marston Road and Martins Corner potholes.
- b) Honeybourne Road Signage: The Clerk informed the council that public notices will soon be placed at each end of the Road to continue the public consultation process for installing the street name signs.
- c) Rooftop housing to be requested to canopy lift the large willow tree on the corner of School Street.

### 129. Lengthsman/ Handyman:

- a. Matters for the Lengthsman and Handyman's attention
- i. Check road grips, signs and highway visibility restriction
  - ii. Front Street footway overhanging trees to be canopy lifted

### 130. Public Rights of Way Reports. No new matters to report

131. **Street Lighting** – Members reported that streetlight No 20 in back Lane requires up-righting as its leaning angle has deteriorated; Clerk to request the Handyman investigates.

### 132. The Close and Recreation Field

- a) The Chairman reported the regular visual inspection of the play equipment found no new problems.
- b) The replacement of rails on the post and rail fence is completed and the swing bushes fitted.
- c) The replacement of the broken ladder rung is completed.
- d) Skateboard Ramp project; the Clerk passed skate ramp information to Cllr Alistair Adams who will liaise with the children who asked for the ramps and report to the next meeting.
- e) Council agreed the tree planting in the Recreation Field should proceed and the Heart of England Forest will be asked for 50 trees for the scheme and if they can assist in the planting of the 20 large trees as agreed in the original planting scheme. An enquiry will be made to supply the 20 trees at 1.8 to 2.00 metre trees as specified by the Council's original scheme.

<sup>1</sup> Words deleted as proposed and agreed by the Council Reference in November minutes

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### 133. Cemetery:

- a) The Clerk reported that the Handyman has completed the weeding of the Laurel hedge.

### 134. Allotments:

- a) The allotment sites were considered to be at the rear of Chapel Road and the rear of the old fire station in Broad Marston both on WDC land. A request to use the land for allotments will be made to WDC, Clerk to action the request.

### 135. Pebworth in Bloom:

- b) Cllr. Simon Shiers reported the In Bloom Group had won a silver award in the competition and missed silver-gilt by one point, the judges were very complementary of the first year's efforts and noted the new troughs, school garden and the many private gardens throughout the village. The enhancement work continues with autumn planting in Elm Close and more works are planned for Town Pool. The forest school project is still on-going and the ditch clearance on The Close is now complete. The small soil retaining wall in Town Pool which is in disrepair will be considered later when other projects are complete. There is approximately £600 of grant money left to complete the scheduled works and more funds are available for further schemes. All of the troughs had been adopted and will be re-planted in the autumn. The Council agreed to release £100 in cash for incidental expenses. The Clerk will pursue some outstanding funding from Rooftop for the completed ditch clearance. Two benches have been placed on The Close by the group and these will be suitably sited, and the Handyman asked to secure them using metal ground spikes, the Chairman will check the integrity of the seats for public use.

136. **QPS:** confirmation has been received that the re-accreditation was successful; a form now needs to be signed by the Chairman prior to receiving the new QPS certificate.

### 137. Training:

- a) Parish Council Training dates are now confirmed as; all on Mondays' - December 17th, January 14th, 21st & 28th and all at Honeybourne Village Hall.

### 138. Pebworth Discretionary Fund

- a) Cllr Pam Veal reported the Pebworth Discretionary Fund recipient list is up to date as far as possible. It was agreed to make a Christmas donation from the charity fund to the qualifying parishioners and Cllr Pam Veal agreed to administer the donations in early December. An advertisement for donation applications will be placed in the November parish newsletter.

### 139. Finance:

- a) Council agreed and approved the Payments, Receipts and Balances as in Appendix A  
 b) Council agreed and approved the second financial quarterly budget review, account balances and bank reconciliation.  
 c) The Clerk reported on the receipt of the first half year VAT claim of £1,097.50

### 140. Matters Raised by Members:

- a) **Cllr David Lees:** The Council to reclaim VAT on Village Hall redevelopment: the Clerk passed NALC information papers to Cllr David Lees outlining the VAT legislation on VAT claims, the Clerk indicated it would not be possible unless the Council took control of the Village Hall.

### 141. Next Meeting:

- a) It was confirmed the next Ordinary Meeting is scheduled for the 5<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00 pm  
 b) Members the December meeting to be on 10<sup>th</sup> December.  
 c) The Finance group precept meeting is arranged for 14<sup>th</sup> November

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There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.55 pm

Chairman .....

Date .....

**APPENDIX A: FINANCE**

PAYMENTS TO BE AUTHORISED

Oct-12

Meeting

<b>Cheque No.</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Total Payment</b>	<b>VAT Element</b>	<b>Net Payment</b>
1317	NALC	QPS Fee	60.00		60.00
1318	Alan Rimell	Rec Field Mowing	140.00		140.00
1319	T Lamb	In Bloom Committee	30.00		30.00
1320	Hartwell & Co Ltd.	The Close Fence repair	23.26	3.88	19.38
1321	Timberplay	Play equipment spares	20.70	3.45	17.25
1322	Westhill	Stationary	48.95	8.16	40.79
1322	Westhill	Stationary	20.39	3.40	16.99
1323	BPS	Lengthsman	18.65	3.11	15.54
1324	J Stedman	Clerks Salary and Expenses	251.46		251.46
1325	HMRC	PAYE	277.20		277.20
1326	Limebridge RS	Mowing contract	628.80	104.80	524.00
1327	Pebworth Village Hall	NHP meetigs July + August	40.50		40.50
1328	Clive Giddings	Verge mowing for In Bloom	350.00		350.00
1329	John Hyde	Lengthsman	50.00		50.00
1329	John Hyde	Handyman Works	105.53		105.53
			<b>2,065.44</b>	<b>126.80</b>	<b>1,938.64</b>

**Account Transfers**

<b>Received from</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Date</b>
HMRC	VAT claim from last year	1097.50	12-Sep
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,097.50</b>	

All Paid Up Bank Accounts	
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT	36205.99
CURRENT ACCOUNT	3948.25
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>40154.24</b>
Reserve Lighting Fund	3000.00
Reserve Capital Fund	3000.00
Revenue available	34154.24

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**District Councillor report - Pebworth**

**Month: October 2012**

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

**1. Planning**

- a. **SWDP**– The 2<sup>nd</sup> public consultation has now closed, and we are waiting to see if there are any further changes to the plans for Pebworth. Following the first public consultation of the SWDP there was a reduction of new houses imposed on the village being reduced from 57 to 20, and a new site was proposed; the field opposite the pub with the 3 crosses. As 10 dwellings have already been approved in the Jeffreys Transport yard, only 10 more houses need to be built as part of the SWDP so this new site was ear-marked for 10 dwellings. The main comments from the 2<sup>nd</sup> public consultation is this new site is rather large for 10 houses and needs to be reduced in size. There is also concern about flooding.
- b. **SIMS Recycling plant and the Birds Group plans** – As mentioned in my last report, the planning applications at this site will affect not just Wychavon District Council but also Stratford District Council and Cotswold District Council. Therefore a meeting with the Heads of Planning and other key personnel was held on the 19<sup>th</sup> September which I attended to discuss the following::
  - i. **Pre-planning application for 380 dwellings** –this proposed planning application by Birds Group. has stirred up a lot of residents’ objections in Quinton, Long Marston, Dorsington, Pebworth and surrounding area. Although, it is believed it would be extremely unlikely to get planning approval, as it is not in the SWDP, there is still fear about it; especially following the outcomes of recent planning appeals in Honeybourne. The developer held a public exhibition at the Masons Arms in Pebworth on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September which I attended. The reaction of most people I met was one of total opposition to the idea, and fury over the questionnaires the developers were circulating at the exhibition – the questions were not relevant, or of extremely minor relevance.
  - ii. **Planning application to change the working hours of the SIMS recycling plant** – 2 out of the 3 planning applications concerning this site have been removed by SIMS. However, the remaining application is still trying to remove the restrictions on the working hours which could mean 24 hours, 7 days a week working. Naturally again there is concern from surrounding villages due to noise and increase in traffic. A noise survey was being carried out, and a traffic survey has been requested.

**2. Resident queries:**

- (a) **Skate Park requested for Pebworth** –We are waiting for the young lads who wanted the skate park to draw up a design of the skate park, and to take photos of other local skate parks. AA will ask them to attend the next meeting to show their design. John Stedman had attended an event and collected a lot of information from potential suppliers/constructors of skateboard parks.

- 3. Broadband** —The Consultant is attending the next Honeybourne Parish Council Meeting at Honeybourne Village Hall on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October starting at 7.00pm with 2 potential suppliers to discuss how we can move forward following his report. We have also heard back from DEFRA and won through to the next step of potential funding.

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4. **Long Marston Army camp development** – Following the SDC Planning Committee rejection of the detailed planning application on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, the developers have appealed. Also they put on another public exhibition at Quinton on 26<sup>th</sup> Sept to show their plans on expanding the Leisure facilities.
5. **Honeybourne developments** – (190 new houses!)
  - a. **Sharba Homes – Sheep Sales Fields** – Since my last report the Planning Inspector confirmed her decision and unfortunately he has approved this site to everyone's dismay!
  - b. **Lioncourt Homes – Station Road** – this site was approved by the Planning Inspector last month
  - c. **Taylor Wimpey – Weston Rd** – this site which was the villages' preferred site, is progressing with section 106 all signed off and an agreed site for a new village hall. There is still a reserved matter about the traffic calming at the entrance to the site.

End of report.