

# PEOPLETON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 15th January 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Pepleton.

## 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

- a) **Members and Officers Present:** Cllrs Phillips (Chair), Bailey, Hennerley, Smith, Wall, CC Adams, DC Robinson and 3 members of the public
- b) **Apologies:** Cllr Mason and Cllr Baxter
- c) **Apologies: Declarations of Interest:**
- Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
  - To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in terms on the agenda and their nature
  - To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature
  - 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 meeting
- Councillors 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.
- d) **Minutes:** Minutes of the November 2019 Council meeting were approved as true and accurate. Proposed by JP and seconded by DW
- e) **County Councillors' report:**
- Cllr Adams asked that before meeting with BWB consultants regarding flooding alleviation plans that a meeting is arranged before 5<sup>th</sup> Feb with Barry Barnes, Mark Morris and the flooding group to establish what works are already planned by the County Council for Pepleton on the south side
  - Still works outstanding in the middle of the village where Severn Trent damaged a pipe and also by Mrs Hodgetts house where there is an issue with a gully
  - County council are struggling with flooding issues across the county currently
  - The railings at Wassells corners are planned to be straightened asap
  - Working on a notice of motion to help Clerks manage overgrown hedges across paths- whereby a template letter to landowners can be signed and sent out by Clerks rather than waiting for Councils
  - Will highlight the possibility of a white line in the middle of the road by Lockwoods to Barry Barnes on his next visit to Pepleton
  - Following the meeting with Alan Amos regarding reducing the speed limit on the A44 a report is due out shortly with recommendations to follow

## District Councillors' Report:

- Community recognition awards have a deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> January please see online for details <https://www.wychavon.gov.uk/community-and-living/community-development/recognitionawards>
- Wychavon scored highly in the Loo of the year awards with 3 sites gaining diamond awards
- SWDP- there has been significant changes made not too far away from Pepleton more details to follow, Cllr Robinson thanked all of those that had visited meetings and commented on the plans
- Jack Hegarty (joint Chief Exec/ Managing Director at Wychavon )has resigned citing health reasons
- There is to be a boundary review of district ward boundaries, Upton Snodsbury ward possibly to get bigger
- Meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February by Mike Simpson on rural crime and using social media to spread the word in communities.
- Parkway Stations hoping to be opened by mid February

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## f) Planning

Application Number :	19/02413/HP - <b>APPROVED</b>
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

Application Number:	19/02475/FUL <b>PENDING</b>
Location:	The White House, Main Street, Peopleton, Pershore, WR10 2EG
Description of Proposal:	Construction of a live/work unit
Applicant :	Mr & Mrs Corbett

## g) Progress reports:

### a) Chairmans report

- Chair, Clerk and Cllr Baxter met in December to discuss the precept and parish budget for 2020-2021 which was productive and thanks to Cllr Baxter for his input which was very helpful
- Attended the Calc area meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> December which was an open forum discussing parking wardens in rural areas, precepts and the role of the lengthsman and difficulty of seeking contractors for small jobs. Discussed how 30% of Clerks are qualified in the County and how the Chair would like the parish council to support future training for the Clerk to gain such a qualification.
- There is a garden party at Buckingham Palace on 19<sup>th</sup> May and NALC are seeking nominations for those who have served councils/ parishes/ Mayors in the past and who meet the criteria. Welcomed suggestions of anyone to nominate

### b) Village trust

- Finalising the plans for the new play area with work set to start in the next 6-7 weeks and there will be an official opening with a bbq

### c) Village shop

- New Manager is progressing well
- Turkey sales went well over Christmas
- Always looking for more volunteers

### d) PACT

- Nothing to report

### e) Lengthsman

- Nothing to report

### f) Footpaths

- Bridle path from Wassells corner to Pinvin Rd has been cleared by a walking party

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- g) Highways & Byways issues
- Hardcore is needed in Green Lane and access needs restricting as 4x4 vehicles are driving up it and causing extensive damage- Cllr Adams to ask Barry Barnes for advice
  - Bollards on Wassells corner are still required –to be addressed with Barry Barnes
  - Some manhole covers are sinking slightly which may need looking at
- h) New Residents' welcome pack
- All completed
- i) Flooding
- Existing flood alleviation scheme in the village is so far working well
  - There is a meeting with BNB consultant Stuart Nemes on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February to discuss what can be possibly done on the south side of the village
  - Planned works for January in Pepleton as promised by Martyn Cross to clear the watercourse bed and trim back overgrown hedges to facilitate this are still to be started. Cllr Robinson warned that there may be a delay due to more urgent flooding in the district taking priority

h) **Finance**

- a) Budget for 2020/2021 agreed with precept set as £8,542 resulting in a band d levy increase of £0.95p which is 2.93%
- b) Bank balance as of 30<sup>th</sup> December 2019
- Treasurers Account £7,585.31
- Business Account £46,244.76 (legacy fund payment of £40k paid in on 24/12/19)
- It was agreed that the legacy fund payment be transferred to the treasurers account so that invoices can be paid, Cllr Wall to visit Lloyds bank and arrange.
- c) The following payments were approved:

Website hosting	£180.00
Lengthsman November	£138.00
Volunteer centre membership	£20.00
Limebridge mowing July	£309.60
Limebridge mowing August	£464.40
Limebridge mowing September	£309.60
Limebridge mowing October	£154.80
Clerks salary	£398.84
Clerks expenses	£21.62
Pepleton Village Trust -Playground	£1800
Chairman expenses (stationary)	£44.49
Lengthsman December	£72.00

- i) **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)

**Future agenda items and reports:**

- It was noted that the Crown Pub was currently closed and requested that the Clerk write to Heineken to find out what plans are in place

- j) Date of next meeting: To confirm the date of the next meeting as 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020

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Signed .....

Dated .....

## Future meetings

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

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## NOT TO GO ON THE NOTICE BOARD OR WEBSITE

### PUBLIC SESSION

1. Concern was expressed regarding possibly future flooding in the village on the south side and what action is being taken.
2. A parishioner asked if the driver of the road sweeper could be thanked for his efforts
3. A parishioner noted that at the meeting with Alan Amos regarding the speed limit on the A44 There was not enough distance to reduce speed but it has been done of the other end on the same stretch of road which has approximately the same distance before a turning

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