

PEOPLETON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 11th March 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), Mason, Bailey, Hennerley, Smith, Wall, CC Adams, DC Robinson and 8 members of the public
- b) **Apologies:** 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 January 2020 Council meeting were approved as true and accurate. Proposed by JP and seconded by DW
- e) **County Councillors' report:**
- Parkway Railway station is now open and operational with a direct line to Birmingham in 29 minutes
 - SWDP in motion with 14,000 new homes required in South Worcestershire 5,000 of which planned in Stoulton
 - Community recognition awards which took place recently saw 3 local citizens winning awards
 - Some delay to works being carried out due to flooding taking priority locally
 - Rural Services are working on possible solutions to recent rural bus service cuts

District Councillors' Report:

- Pleased that the ditch has been cleared and will pass on thanks to the team at Wychavon
- Next meeting regarding the SWDP takes place on 31st March and will pass on any further updates
- Urged people showing any symptoms of coronavirus not to visit their locally surgery but phone 111

f) Planning

Application Number :	20/00301/AGR –Approved with conditions
Location:	Land At, Seaford, Pinvin
Description of Proposal:	New Agricultural Track
Applicant :	Mr Plant

Application Number :	20/00311/HP-Approved
Location:	7 Dineley Road, Pepleton, Pershore, WR10 2EJ
Description of Proposal:	Proposed single storey extension at the rear and single storey extension at the front/side of property (previous approved application 19/02413/HP)
Applicant :	Mr Harm Gordijn

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g) Progress reports:

a) Chairmans report

- Pleased that Peopleton has escaped the worst of the recent flooding which has definitely been helped by perseverance of keeping ditches cleared etc.
- Some debris on the grid by the bridge from high water levels- requested lengthsman to clear
- The Crown Pub has now re-opened however lack of communication from Heineken was disappointing
- Entries to the Parish Games are open- will be displayed on the website
- AGM takes place at the May meeting with a 7pm start- all welcome to attend

b) Village trust

- Looking for a new cleaner 15 hours a month
- A work party started clearing the play area site which is now closed to the public, hoping to start work early April to be finished by end of May. Home Farm Nurseries have been awarded the contract (local firm)
- Mowing starts in March again

c) Village shop

- Reviewing shop fittings and will apply for a Post Office grant to fund any refurbishments

d) PACT

- Nothing to report

e) Lengthsman

- Report submitted of all works undertaken- going well

f) Footpaths

- Footpath from wassail corner to Pinvin all been cleared but there is a gate which isn't very accessible which is being looked into
- Badger Set collapsed locally

g) Highways & Byways issues

- A water level marker is required at the Mill from the Environment Agency
- Several man hole covers are sinking on the High Street-needs addressing
- Checked on whether a white line in the road would be feasible at Canada Crossing but the road is too narrow

h) Flooding

- BWB consultant Stuart Nelmes has submitted a report back with options for a flood alleviation plan on the south side of the village. This will be discussed at the next flooding group meeting and then presented at the May Parish meeting where funding can be considered.

h) Finance

a) Update on the budget/ Bank balance as of end of February 2020

Treasurers Acc	£43,661.96
Business Instant Acc	£6,709.29

b) Approve the following payments

Lengthsman January	£192
Lengthsman February	£258.00
Clerks salary	£398.84
Clerks expenses (travel/printer ink/ May meeting refreshments)	£93.42
Worcester Calc-Chairmanship training	£40.00

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- i) **Updated Code of Conduct-** All councillors signed to adhere to the updated terms
- j) **Speeding in the village**
- Following concerns of speeding from a parishioner PC Riley visited and monitored activity in the village and gave advice to one driver who was registered at 35mph
 - Cllr Hennerley has made correspondence with the Safer Roads Partnership and Adnan Ali who plans to conduct a week long speed survey in the village in the coming weeks
- k) **Village Bus Services**
- Following recent cuts to the village bus service Cllr Mason wrote to Nigel Huddleston and urged others to do so too in order to highlight the plight of those that use the service
 - The Vale Public Transport Group is lobbying for village bus services- Clerk to contact for support
 - Clerk to contact other local Parishes to see if we can work together to find a shared solution
- l) **Enforcement update**
- Cllr Robinson had followed up on the trailers situated in the field upon entering the village- one has since been moved and another trailer has arrived nearby
- m) **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)
- n) **Future agenda items and reports:** Speeding and bus service update
- o) **Date of next meeting:** To confirm the date of the next ordinary Parish Council meeting and AGM as 13th May 2020 at 7pm

Signed

Dated

Future meetings

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

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PUBLIC SESSION

- Thanks was given to Wychavon for the good work undertaken clearing the ditches
- One parishioner chased a map of the underground pipework in the south of the village so that flood alleviation plans can be considered
- Three people expressed concerns on the village bus service cuts
- One parishioner expressed their concerns at speeding in the village having submitted 3 police incident reports in the last month

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