

## **PEWSEY PARISH COUNCIL**

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE **FULL COUNCIL** HELD IN THE PARISH OFFICE,  
BOUVERIE HALL, PEWSEY ON 10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017 at 7.00pm

**PRESENT:** Cllr Haskell (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs Hunt, Kerry Pycroft, Mrs Stevens, Cllrs Coppard, Deck, Eyles, Ford, Giles, Hagan, Kimber, Sharpe, Smith and Stevens.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Alison Kent (Clerk), Cllr Kunkler and members of the public.

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Kerry Pycroft to her first Full Council meeting and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

**1/1 APOLOGIES:** Cllrs Mrs Dalrymple, Ann Hogg, Mrs Hughes, Cllrs Carder and Fleming.

**1/2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** None.

**1/3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Cllr Haskell advised that the recent issues with the Connect2Wiltshire bus service had been caused by the operator, APL Travel, going into liquidation. Wiltshire Council immediately arranged an interim company, Real Coach Hire, to continue the service. He had attended the St. John's Church carol service on 22<sup>nd</sup> December.

**1/4 POLICE MATTERS:** The police report had been circulated. Cllr Haskell felt that it was too early to judge whether the new system was working but that it seemed to be going in right direction, particularly with the lower numbers of dwelling and non-dwelling burglaries. There was still concern about the 101 phone system which was highlighted in the recent burglary at Woottons. Cllr Haskell thanked Mr James Stevens for noticing the unusual activity of the offender, who had been spotted around the village in recent days, and advising Mr Wootton of his concerns. The entire incident had been captured on village CCTV systems.

Community Speedwatch: Cllr Ford advised there was an active team of seven volunteers and would undertake a recruitment drive within the next few months.

**1/5 UNITARY COUNCILLOR/AREA BOARD REPORT:** Cllr Kunkler reported from the Area Board meeting which had been held the previous evening. There had been presentations on Warm and Safe Wiltshire and the Great British Spring Clean taking place on 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> March. The JSA event would take place on 19<sup>th</sup> January in the Bouverie Hall. He advised there were three new fire officers in Pewsey with two more going into training. The Police and Crime Commissioner had presented its precept consultation. Grant applications from the LYN were approved including the insurance for the BMX park and for the cheerleading group, as well as the Splitz Teens course funding at Pewsey Vale School which had been led by Cllr Mrs Dalrymple. The next CATG meeting would take place on 25<sup>th</sup> January. He had met with Cllr Smith and Wiltshire Council highways officers to discuss the proposal but it could be difficult to install a right of way over private land. It was hoped to contact the landowner. The Health and Wellbeing centre continued to proceed on time, although he had not given any further thought to a closing down event. He had spoken with the Planning Officer about the applications at St. Francis school and The Knoll and may consider calling them both in if refusal was recommended. The St. John's flood had been repaired by BT last Thursday but he was not convinced it had been fixed. Cllr Mrs Hunt was concerned the area was gritted and cleaned with the very cold weather expected. Cllr Ford mentioned the Bailey Close play area was still closed. Cllr Kimber said that nothing had been done about the reported water pooling outside his house.

**1/6 ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS SIGNED SINCE LAST FULL COUNCIL MEETING:**

Cllr Deck proposed acceptance of the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held 14<sup>th</sup> December

as a true record, seconded Cllr Mrs Hunt, all in favour, no questions.

**1/7 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:** All being in agreement, the minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2016, were signed as a true record, by the Chairman.

**1/8 FINANCE:**

- a) Balance in Current account £74,750.09 and Instant Reserve account £129,379.04. Cllr Sharpe explained that the current actual expenditure against the budgeted expenditure had not changed from last month as the December bank statements had only just been received. The council carried a healthy surplus which would be reviewed at the year end and consider future plans.
- b) Authorisation of cheques as listed were proposed by Cllr Sharpe, seconded Cllr Deck, all in favour.
- c) There were no quotations for acceptance.
- d) Petty Cash – opening balance £16.66, drawn down £0.00, less expenditure since last meeting; consumables £0.49, postage £7.35, Chairman’s Allowance £9.00, totalling £16.84, leaving cash in hand (£0.18).

**1/9 PEWSEY AREA LOCAL YOUTH NETWORK:** Cllr Mrs Hunt commented that the BMX area did not seem to be in use at the moment. Cllr Haskell asked for a volunteer to join him at the LYN meeting with a view to taking on the role, Cllr Coppard would attend. The Friday night youth club was short staffed with Mrs Wilson agreeing to help on a temporary basis in order to keep it running.

**1/10 EVERLEIGH RECYCLING CENTRE:** Cllr Haskell advised there was no further update. The group may meet at the end of the next CATG meeting.

**1/11 PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO RAILWAY STATION:** Cllr Smith had nothing further to add.

**1/12 WEBSITE/COMMUNICATION REVIEW:** The clerk advised that some changes had already been made with further content to be added. Old news stories would be removed.

**1/13 BT PHONE BOX:** Cllr Eyles advised that the Tourism Partnership would soon be installing the new map with the leaflets already in. A small opening event was being considered. Cllr Smith would be attending the next PVTP meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> January.

**1/14 NDP WORKING GROUP:** Cllr Smith reported that the survey and subsequent analysis had been completed and circulated to the working group. The group hoped to meet next week. Cllr Haskell explained the Annual Parish Meeting would held earlier this year on 9<sup>th</sup> March and it would be nice if some of the results could be made public. Cllr Sharpe agreed that both reports needed to be consolidated and overall recommendations made. This could be presented at the APM.

**1/15 ITEMS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC:** Mr Hurley suggested that a recruitment table for Community Speedwatch could be set up in the Co-Op. He was still concerned about the state of Hallgate House car park as it was full of rotting leaves. Cllr Eyles advised that the road sweeper had been in but it was difficult to get around the edges. Cllr Stevens suggested that we ask the grounds maintenance contractor to clear.

**1/16 CORRESPONDENCE:**

None.

**1/17 ITEMS VIA THE CLERK:** None.

There being no further business the Chairman moved the meeting into Confidential Session.

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CONFIDENTIAL ITEM DISCUSSED AT FULL COUNCIL MEETING  
10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017**

**Community Service Awards**

Cllr Haskell asked members to give thought as to who might be the recipients of Community Service Awards for presentation at the APM 9<sup>th</sup> March. The clerk explained that the awards were to recognise the work of an individual or group who served the community above and beyond normal expectations. A person could not be nominated if the service was part of their job and no serving councillor could be nominated.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.46pm after thanking everyone for attending.

Signed..... Date.....