

## PEWSEY PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD IN THE PARISH OFFICE, BOUVERIE HALL, PEWSEY ON 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018 at 7.00pm

<b><u>PRESENT:</u></b>	Cllr Haskell (Chairman), Cllr Smith, Cllrs Mrs Carmichael-Owen, Mrs Dalrymple, Ann Hogg, Mrs Hughes, Kerry Pycroft, Cllrs Carder, Deck, Eyles, Ford, Giles, Hagan and McGarry.
<b><u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u></b>	Alison Kent (Clerk), Cllr Kunkler and a member of the public. Cllr Eyles thanked members for the gift that had been sent during his recuperation.
<b><u>9/1 APOLOGIES:</u></b>	Cllrs Mrs Hunt and Mrs Stevens, Cllrs Morris, Stephens and Stevens.
<b><u>9/2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:</u></b>	None.
<b><u>9/3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Haskell thanked Cllr Mrs Dalrymple and Cllr Mrs Hunt for helping, and those who had supported the 360 Event organised by Dawn Wilson. He thanked those who had attended the Area Board held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September. He had requested meetings with the Headteachers of both Pewsey Vale School and Pewsey Primary School to discuss WW1 tree planting, the time capsule project, a strap line for the community, the value of twinning and School Council meetings. The closure of the BMX site with immediate effect had been announced by Dawn Wilson who would arrange for the site to be put back to its original state. She had been thanked for all her hard work on this project.</p> <p>Cllr Stephens had requested a leave of absence for health reasons which had been approved by Council and good wishes sent to him. Discussion on Community Land Trusts would take place at the October Full Council.</p>
<b><u>9/4 POLICE MATTERS:</u></b>	<p>A police report had been circulated.</p> <p>Community Speedwatch: Cllr Ford advised that the volunteers had completed new data forms as required by the police, with one person to chase up.</p> <p>SID: a resident on Vale Road had noticed the SID had been moved and had asked for it be put back. This would be done in due course as the SID would be moved around the parish.</p>
<b><u>9/5 UNITARY COUNCILLOR:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Kunkler reported there had been a large turnout at the Area Board which Cllr Williams had attended in place of Cllr Oatway who was on holiday. The outcome of the Boundary Review would likely be that 98 councillors remain and 18 Area Boards. He thanked Dawn Wilson again for the 360 Event which had provided for good feedback for the wheeled sports area. Presentations were made by groups who had received grant funding to show how their community projects had progressed. There was also a presentation from the Bruce's Trust. He advised that the drainage repairs at Dursden Lane were being done in the next week and the car park leases were still being drafted by legal. The expected determination date for Everleigh was the cabinet meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> October. There had been in the region of 1200 responses, with approximately 94% wanting it to stay open. There were limited responses from the Tidworth/Ludgershall area. Cllr Gale continued to raise questions with Wiltshire Council about the capital budget. Cllr Kunkler said it was becoming more difficult to fund services when savings had to be made. He would continue to lobby members of the Cabinet to keep Everleigh open, Cllr Haskell said the community were dependent upon the Area Board putting pressure on the Cabinet to give them a better chance of saving Everleigh. Cllr Eyles was keen to know how the land would be kept safe once it was closed. Cllr Ann Hogg felt the cabinet</p>

	<p>should be represented by one member from each Area Board, not just nine councillors.</p> <p>The Campus development was progressing although there had been a complication with the electricity connection. Recruitment for all posts had been taking place with an opening anticipated for late autumn. A photo had been retaken with the original attendees from the sixties. Ros Griffiths would be asked to attend the October Full Council with an update.</p> <p>Cllr Ford asked why the membership rates were reduced for the over 65s but not the over 60s when older people were being encouraged to be active. Cllr Eyles was frustrated over the length of time it had taken to get drainage works done at Dursden Lane as it had taken two years. Cllr Kunkler reminded members that it was the landowner who had to do the work and it was not a compulsory order. Cllr Giles wished for it to be recorded that Wiltshire Council had been reminded again about the dangerous manhole cover at Swan Road.</p>	
<b><u>9/6 ADOPTION OF MINUTES SIGNED SINCE LAST MEETING:</u></b>	Cllr Deck proposed acceptance of the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 25 <sup>th</sup> July as a true record, seconded Cllr Mrs Dalrymple, all in favour, no questions.	
<b><u>9/7 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:</u></b>	All being in agreement, the minutes of the meeting held on 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2018, including the confidential item, were signed as a true record, by the Chairman.	
<b><u>9/8 FINANCE:</u></b>	<p>a) Balance in Current account £41,237.68 Instant Reserve account £69,817.05, Lloyds Business Account £527.00 and Fixed Term Deposit £60,000. Cllr Haskell reminded members that £420 had been donated from the Scouts specifically for the BMX site.</p> <p>b) Payments for approval as listed were proposed by Cllr Mrs Hughes, seconded Cllr Ann Hogg, all in favour. Cllr Mrs Dalrymple asked about the use of electric at Cossors Bookshop. The Clerk advised that there had been a problem with the bus shelter light which, it appeared, was linked to the Bookshop circuit. The bus shelter light had been vandalised but was now fixed and a new sensor being installed. Cllr Eyles asked who was checking the Village Ranger contract, the Clerk advised that before and after photos were sent for each task and members could check.</p> <p>c) There were no quotations for acceptance.</p> <p>d) Petty Cash - opening balance £215.49 less expenditure since last meeting; consumables £0.52, materials £13.87, totalling £14.39, leaving cash in hand £201.10.</p>	
<b><u>9/9 ELECTION OF CHAIR, COMMUNITY &amp; CONSERVATION COMMITTEE:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Haskell gave a statement in which he confirmed that Cllr Kerry Pycroft had resigned as Chair of the Community &amp; Conservation Committee and that he had thanked her for her work. It had been unfortunate that this had taken place only one month before the review of the committees and terms of reference. He had asked Cllr Smith to outline his suggestions for changes which he intended to discuss in detail with the original team before the October Full Council, with a brief report to be made available by the end of September.</p> <p>One item that had not been dealt with was a Business Liaison representative and should be considered within the review and linked in parallel with tourism.</p> <p>Cllr Smith continued and explained that the various committee structures would be reviewed. The Community &amp; Conservation Committee's terms of reference had been a little vague and nebulous, being too closely linked with the Environment Committee. It was felt that the ESG did not meet enough during</p>	

	<p>the year and was considered too closely aligned to the model of the WC cabinet. There was confusion over who could speak and who could vote which would be addressed under the review. A renamed Finance &amp; Strategy Group could possibly link together better by disbanding the Community &amp; Conservation Committee and moving projects into this committee accordingly. This would reduce the overall number of council meetings. A concrete set of proposals would be presented in due course.</p> <p>Cllr Haskell felt the election of a new Chair for the Community &amp; Conservation Committee should not take place and the Clerk would consider whether the remaining meeting should take place after reviewing the agenda items. Cllr Carder felt that the Vice-Chair should automatically step up in the interim. The Clerk advised members of Standing Order 18.6 which explained the legal requirements.</p>	DS
<b><u>9/10 WILCOT ROAD ISSUES:</u></b>	Cllr Deck had nothing to add as the requests had been raised through the issues system to CATG.	
<b><u>9/11 WC EVERLEIGH HRC CONSULTATION:</u></b>	Cllr Haskell stated there was little to report but the fight would continue. He confirmed that Wiltshire Council did own the site and not the Ministry of Defence. The Clerk had been asked to write a letter of thanks to the farmer for allowing the banner to be displayed. Cllr Mrs Dalrymple had received a complaint from a local resident, saying that it appeared to be very chaotic on site.	
<b><u>9/12 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTORAL BOUNDARY REVIEW:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Ann Hogg and Cllr Deck had read the Briefing Notes, most of which concerned Wiltshire Council ward boundaries. This area had 3 divisions with 1 councillor for each. According to the review, each councillor should cover 4,291 electors. The 3 wards have somewhat less than that but have changed over a period of time. The main purpose of the review was to try and balance this by moving ward boundaries.</p> <p>Pewsey Vale was worst with 3,765 electors. A way would be found to move parishes around to balance out the numbers. There had been a major concern that the Area Board could be lost but it now appears that the review board are happy with 18 boards which would not be changed.</p> <p>The consultation would close on 5<sup>th</sup> November. Cllr Deck had written before in a private capacity, which should be repeated in the name of the Parish Council. Cllr Hagan asked whether any changes would affect the precept which it would.</p>	PD
<b><u>9/13 PEWSEY VALE RAIL USERS GROUP:</u></b>	Cllr Morris was not present to report. The next meeting would be held 5 <sup>th</sup> October and he would attend. The main issues were more trains in the off-peak hours in both direction; particularly a late evening from London. A growing demand for a direct service to Bath and Bristol and a faster early train to London. and BM would attend. BM's email. Two local residents had attended a meeting in London to make the suggestions direct. Cllr Ford felt that should these service improvements take place then this could impact on property prices and should be considered in the NDP. Cllr Giles left the meeting at 8.00pm.	
<b><u>9/14 TRAIN STATION PEDESTRIAN ACCESS:</u></b>	Cllr Smith reminded members that the approved proposal was to make improvements to the existing pedestrian access. He would be meeting with the station manager, along with the Village Ranger to look into ways of improving signage, clearing of vegetation and the addition of low-level lighting. He had informed Claire Perry of the proposals which she supported. He would also discuss the requirements at the next CATG on 18 <sup>th</sup> October. Cllr Deck recalled that the developers of Station Mews	DS

	had been asked to install low level lighting along the path which would be chased up. A member of the public stated that there appeared to be an overhead light base at the station end of the terrace, this would be investigated. The road warning signs for pedestrians were now visible on the A345.	AK  AK
<b><u>9/15 VILLAGE RANGER:</u></b>	The clerk advised that following the holiday period the ranger was now back in full swing with as many of the visible tasks either undertaken or chased up prior to the carnival events.	
<b><u>9/16 ITEMS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC:</u></b>	A member of the public brought to the Council's attention the excellent display in the Heritage Centre commemorating the 100 years since the end of the WW1 and urged people to visit. Cllr Haskell advised that the Bluebelles choir would be singing in the centre on 4 <sup>th</sup> November and an open event would take place at the Heritage Centre on 11 <sup>th</sup> November following the church service.	
<b><u>9/17 CORRESPONDENCE:</u></b>	Planning Inspectorate - Inquiry Order notice for FP82/82A and Milton Lilbourne FP34/34A to take place on 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2019 at Pewsey Vale Bowls Club.	
<b><u>9/18 ITEMS VIA THE CLERK:</u></b>	As Cllr Fleming had not attended a meeting for six months, or offered his apologies he would cease to be a member and Wiltshire Council would be notified accordingly. A letter of thanks would be sent to Cllr Fleming.	AK

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.13pm after thanking everyone for attending.

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