

Plumley with Toft and Bexton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at

Plumley Village Hall at 7.45 pm on Wednesday 31st October 2012

Present: Cllr Sybil Crossman, Cllrs Tony Gabbott, Cllr David Nichols, Cllr John Wright, Cllr Stephen Wharfe, Cllr Jane Richardson, Cllr Dennis Fairbrother, Cllr May Taylor, Cllr Chris Wilson, Cllr Jim Lloyd

In attendance: Sharon Jones (Clerk)

Apologies for absence: Cllr Andy Shaw, Cllr Dennis Fairbrother, Cllr George Walton

Notes from the Minutes of the Meeting

Police surgery started at 7.40pm – PCSO Jenny Regan

PCSO Jenny reported that there had been theft of tack and feed at a farm on PMR, but this had now been returned. Also, theft of diesel, syphoned out of plant machinery at one of the farms on Chester Road (possibly Manor Farm, Tabley).

She also reported that PCSO Lindsey had completed presentations to Speech and Drama Group and two at Lower Peover School. JR commented that the presentations at the School had been well received.

SC mentioned surgeries at Plantation next one on 20th November, and these are advertised in the Newsletter and web site.

DN mentioned theft of lead from a resident near to the border between CEC and CW&C and that no information is reported about crimes around the border in Rural Watch as it is out of the Knutsford area. **ACTION: PCSO Jenny to find out if we need to be on Northwich Rural watch e-mail list. Actioned by Clerk.**

JW showed Jenny photos of cars parked on the pavement and very close to the entrance of PVH. DN mentioned that the PVH hiring agreement states that there should be no parking on the pavement outside the car park. JW asked if police would contact people who park on the pavement and give them a friendly reminder not to do it.

JW commented that CE police have distributed signs which say trick or treaters welcome/Not welcome which were very good.

Meeting started at 8.00pm

- 1. To explain the Evacuation procedure**
- 2. Public Session.** – there were no members of the Public in attendance.
- 3. To receive and accept apologies for absence from those members unable to attend.**– Apologies were received from Cllr Dennis Fairbrother and Cllr Andy Shaw.
- 4. Declaration of Interests-** None declared.
- 5. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 26th September 2012.**The minutes were approved, proposed CW and approved JW seconded.
- 6. To note the following matters arising.**
 - PMR closure 5th - 8th November (resurfacing) and 10th December (Electrical works).
 - DN asked about what happened regarding the road surfacing. JR said rain caused the problem has to be relayed. SC mentioned red markings and white down the side of the road. JR had asked Andy Wilson about this but not had a reply. Again discussed. White lines down the side, red stripes, **ACTION: Clerk to write AW. No response as yet**
 - Costs for SID – this was not discussed put on the agenda for November meeting.
- 7. Correspondence**
 - New Hire Rates for PVH -DN reported these were under review may be increased by approx 5%.
 - Letter from Mr Alexander, Holly Cottage re Overhanging OakTrees at Brook House Farm on Truthall Lane. **ACTION: Clerk to write contact the agents of Brook House farm to ask if they can contact the owner regarding having the trees cut back. Also to write to AW at Highways to ask what can be done as the prove a hazard to**

- **traffic on Truthall Lane.**
 - Movements of Fuel from MOD stores on Cheadle Lane. DN is the PC nominated contact and will be liaising with Oil and Pipelines on the matter.
 - **ACTION: Clerk to send e-mail re black bin collections over Christmas**
 - Letter from Tatton Estate regarding Knutsford Town Strategy, with link to Tatton Estate Plan.
 - Letters from Mr&Mrs Burns re Affordable Housing Devt – replies to be kept on file
 - **ACTION: Clerk to write a letter regarding the notice for police commissioner elections.**
 - One of the councilors commented that a lot of correspondence from CEC is in jargon.
- 8. Plumley Station– AG update**
- 9. Code of Conduct Forms –** The Clerk collected the outstanding forms from JL, MT, DF, AS & SW – **ACTION: Clerk to send forms to Chalc** **ACTION: Clerk to write up minutes of Extra-ordinary Meeting**
- 10. New Precept Proposals – not discussed as deadline expired.**
- 11. Budget 2013/14 – Clerk to circulate a proposal for discussion at November meeting.**
- 12. Community Resilience Plan –** Cllr JimLloyd - SC asked not to be on the contacts list and also asked if James Eaton could be a contact, however, JL stated that he believed that you have to be an elected PC to be on the contacts list. JL said that there would two versions of the plan, one for web and full for use. Recipients of the full plan would be CEC, members of PC. JL will be the co-ordinator – deputies AS & CW who each have two deputies. Drafts are all on the Councils Shared Services SharePoint site for review as the documents are large so no paper copies as yet. SC asked for Jim to have a hard copy available at a PC meetings. JL commented that there had been no responses to appeal until this week, JL has visit people in person and ask for help. He also commented that you find out more by going to see people. Toft and Bexton need to do the same. **ACTION: JL to ask AS and DF to help.** JL said that some organisations will not allow use of their premises in the event of an emergency unless CEC insure them for use of it. However commercial premises such as the Golf Club, Plantation, VH, Chapel were all willing to be involved. Toft and Bexton need some locations. CEC have identified some areas. Commercial premises much more keen to be involved. Travel lodge already being used for homeless people. There will be spare beds for disabled people at the nursing home at LostockGralam.
- JL said that Toft residents seem to assume that Knutsford should provide support for them. The Parish Council cannot keep a list of vulnerable people for various reasons, but maybe a list of people who will volunteer to be good neighbours could be an alternative.
- ACTION: SC requested that as much of the Community Resilience documentation as possible is put onto the web site. Clerk to liaise with JL to achieve this. Clerk has made some suggestions to JL but no reply as yet.**
- Clerk to circulate the ids and passwords for CEC Shared Services Sharepoint site.**
- 13. To receive Cheshire East Councilor’s report –** GW was not in attendance.
- 14. To receive any comments and reports by Councillors concerning transport, planning, footpaths, highways, village hall, parish plan, Home watch.** DN explained the issue regarding the transporting of fuel. JW repoted that 3 more people have volunteered to be witnesses to the footpath(generated from the appeal in the Newsletter). JL said that when the path was diverted at Holford Hall, the rare orchids were destroyed. If anyone notices issues with the footpath get in touch with Clerk who will contact Natural England. DN mentioned the Village Hall AGM next week 6th November.
- 15. Meetings -** External meetings relating to the Parish Council
- Community Pride Awards 4th October, Middlewich – SC will get frames for the two Highly Commended Certificates.
 - Ineos Meeting, 2pm 19th October, Holford Brine Fields Offices – CW – blue signs to show ambulance the way, changing to fiberglass pipelines. Need to go to website for information.
 - **ACTION: Clerk to send congrats from PC to the other theatre company for their performance. (SW suggested)**
 - Annual Service of Remembrance – St John’s Church Knutsford, Sunday 11th November 10.45am does anyone wants to attend let me know. **ACTION: Clerk to send apologies for SC.**
- 16. To note the occurrence, since the previous meeting, of any road traffic accidents in the parish -** None
- 17. Finance**
- 17.1**To note the current financial position.

	Community Account	Business Premium Account (inc Earmarked funds)
	£	£
Balance brought forward.....	7672.84	5648.41
Less payments for October 2012.....	337.00	
Balance	7335.84	

	£
Earmarked funds	
Donald Sterling Legacy	367.67
Donation for daffodil bulbs	6.50
Playing Fields provision	3,050.00

17.2 The Parish Council voted to approve the following payments (JR proposed and SW seconded):

- £200.00 to S Jones. OctoberSalary*
- £50.00 to S. Jones. Octoberpayment for web site maintenance*
- PVH Invoices for September Meetings £28
- CPRE Annual Membership £29
- Bob Mottershead ex-gratia payment £30

*Total pay for S Jones £250 for October to be paid as one cheque of £250.

18. **To consider risk assessment** – The risk profile of the PC’s activities and responsibilities was reviewed and no significant changes were apparent or reported.

19. **Christmas Website Banner Competition – Clerk** – The Parish Council agreed to provide two prizes of £10 each for the winners of the competition.

20. Planning.

20.1 To note receipt of the following planning applications (with comments by the PC):

- **12/3434M** Listed building consent for replacement windows. Sandy Lane Cottage, Sandy Lane, Toft, Knutsford WA16 8TL. **Comments:**No Objections.
- **12/3737M** Erection of a side garage extension and roof alterations.Springfield, Pinfold Lane, Plumley, Knutsford, WA16 9RR.**Comments:** No Objections, query as to whether the additional garage space is needed and if this will lead to a change of use of the existing workshop space.
- **12/3410M** Single-Storey Conservatory to Rear Elevation. Barnfield, Back Lane, Plumley, Knutsford, WA16 9SF. **Comments:** No comments except stating that the applicant is Vice Chairman of the Parish Council.

20.2 To note the following decisions on planning applications by Cheshire West & Chester Council: -

- The Incinerator at TATA LostockGralam – Approved. Research Any way of overturning this decision (Northwich Guardian) **ACTION: Clerk to find out if we can object without penalty. Cheshire West – Try LostockGralam PC as well. No financial but moral support.**
- The crematorium at Lach Dennis – Refused

20.3 Outcome of the Planning Meeting regarding the Crematorium at Lach Dennis – JW attended and it was a very good meeting.

21 To note progress on outstanding issues

<p>21.1 Plumley Smithy – DN & SC to meet with Agents to discuss reinstatement of hedge and provision of footway. SC spoke to Knight Frank and hope to meet with Highways in December.</p>	<p>21.5 Holford Hall – Open Day and Footpath- wait to see what happens about the planning application for catering school. ACTION: Write to Mrs Frances Phillips – disappointed there was not an open day this year as promised.</p>
<p>21.2 Moorcroft access/roadway</p>	<p>21.6 Excess water – Cheadle Lane - DN asked JW for map as the dip in the road is getting bigger and it is now filling with water. As a separate issue, there is excess water on Cheadle Lane at a drain near the Peover Eye. Drain near the peover eye is now flooded. Road impassable because of the drainage problem. ACTION: Clerk to send note to Andy Wilson. Road markings, white at edge and slow signs). ACTION: Clerk to write to Andy Wilson. This work is on the schedule no date set as yet. When cold weather comes it ices up a third of the road.</p>
<p>21.3 PROW – Plumley Lime Beds (DMMO)</p>	<p>21.7 Salt Bins - Thanks to Stephen for putting salt in the bins. SC</p>
<p>21.4 Railings and Bollard at Smoker – these have been outstanding for 2 years</p>	

22. **To assess the requirement for any Welcome Letters – SC to send one to residents of Holly Cottage,**

23. **To receive any items for inclusion in the agenda for the next meeting to be held on Wednesday 28th November 2012 at Plumley Village Hall at 7.30pm.**

24. **Any Other Business**

SC asked for a copy of the complaint to Planning Enforcement about the Shippon at Brook House Farm to be copied to George Walton. **ACTION: Clerk to send relevant mails to GW.**

ACTION: Clerk to check when the bins will be collected when PMR is shut.

Street lights – JL to make a survey of lights and update the CEC web site.

JW reported that there was a lot of mud on the pavement on the way to the smoker from farm machinery being driven in an out of a field. **SW volunteered to clean the mud off in a few days.**

Diary of events

Date	Event	Time
28.11.12	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.30pm
30.1.13	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.30pm
27.2.13	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.30pm
27.3.13	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.30pm
25.4.13	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.00pm
25.4.13	Annual Parish Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	8.00pm
29.5.13	Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, Toft Church Hall	7.45pm
26.6.13	Parish Council Meeting, Toft Church Hall	7.45pm
31.7.13	Parish Council Meeting, Toft Church Hall	7.45pm
25.9.13	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.30pm
30.10.13	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.30pm
27.11.13	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.30pm