

## Plumley with Toft and Bexton Parish Council

### **Police Surgery commenced at 6.45pm**

SC mentioned that the new inspector Catherine Mitchell, had visited on 24<sup>th</sup> April.

PCSO Lindsey Whitehead reported that rural mapping for farms and livery yards, to provide contacts for police to get hold of people if animals get out onto the road was currently taking place.

She also said that there had been an accident at Seven Sisters Lane.

At the end of March, the Police Traffic Department carried out speed enforcement along the 30 mph section of Plumley Moor Road. 3 motorists were caught speeding. Each motorist received 3 points and a fixed penalty ticket.

Two other motorist received verbal warnings and two more opted to attend a driver awareness course.

No burglaries have been reported this month. However, a man in a silver pickup has been seen selling chain saws, etc PCSO Lindsey advised residents not to buy anything from this man.

The Police had also received a report of someone cutting up trees on Ascol drive but after checking no offences had occurred.

Finally, Linsey commented that a local lady reported a suspicious jogger at the station. If anyone has seen him please contact PCSO Lindsey Whitehead directly.

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

#### Plumley Village Hall Committee Room at 7.00 pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2013

**Present:** Cllr Sybil Crossman, Cllr May Taylor, Cllr Stephen Wharfe, Cllr Chris Wilson, Cllr D Nichols, Cllr Jane Richardson, Cllr J Wright, Cllr A Shaw, Cllr D Fairbrother, Cllr A Gabbott

**In attendance:** S Jones– Clerk, PCSO Lindsey Whitehead

#### Meeting commenced at 7pm

#### **1. To explain the Evacuation procedure**

**2. Public Session.** Members of the Public are welcome to attend meetings of the Council. Questions may be put to the Council during the Public Session, from 7.00pm – 7.15pm

#### **3. To receive and accept apologies for absence from those members unable to attend.**

#### **4. Declaration of Interests**

To note any declarations of Interest need to be remade and recorded in the minutes even if an interest has been declared in the register. JR – Planning item.

#### **5. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2013. – accepted with corrections on HS2 Article.**

#### **6. Highways Issues**

- **Pedestrian Crossing and Mini Roundabout** – At JR suggestion Kevin Melling is arranging a site visit.
- **SID Quote- Update-** JR reported that a meeting had been arranged with David Thomason from Highways on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May to discuss the siting of the posts for the SID's. JR, SC & DN to attend.
- DF reported that there was a pot hole outside Toft Church on the A50 next to entrance.

#### **7. To note the following matters arising – None.**

#### **8. Correspondence**

- Invitation to Holmes Chapel Town Council – Neighbourhood Plan Meeting 29<sup>th</sup> April 2013- JW.
- SHLAA Call for Sites – reply required by 21<sup>st</sup> May – **ACTION: Clerk to respond NO sites.**
- Copy of Letter from Meller Braggins to CEC highways regarding the state of verges and hedges within half a mile of the junction of Middlewich Road and A50 .- **ACTION: Clerk to write to Highways to support this letter and ask for site meeting with AS and DF.**
- CEC Health – Fete, local organizations contacts. **ACTION: Clerk to write back with copy of Newsletter**
- HS2 Extreme Hardship Consultation response – go onto hs2 action alliance- send to Save Plumley

**9. New Build, Truthall Lane – Samples, CW, JR, SC** – Peaks and Plains have provided samples of bricks and tiles, Gareth Abrahams has seen these and has made comments, and overall his opinion is that the quality is good, the samples are in the hall for the public to view at APM. On Tuesday the site manager has confirmed that there will be as little disruption as possible as there is a funeral. There are also two weddings coming up in the near future. If anyone is aware of any special events at the Chapel and around that area please notify SC, JR or the Clerk who can inform the site manager. Site manager is away for 2 weeks in May however, his father is going to stand in for

him. Peaks and Plans will have a stand at fete at the end of June. They have confirmed that there have already been a lot of applicants for Plumley for the houses.

**10. HS2 Update– CW**

**11. Tree Preservation Order on land adjacent to Tennis Courts- DN/SJ** – Sincere condolences to the family on the death of Bert Southern who was ,at one time, Chairman of the PC. Given the circumstances this matter will be put on hold for the time being.

**12. Community pride competition – litter pick Preparations for Judging AG.** – The Councilors confirmed that they had litter picked and tidied as follows: SC from her house to the chapel to vh hall and grounds. JW – down pmr from VH to the pheasant. JR – yew tree to railway bridge, on trouthall, JL – railway bridge to Back lane. DN from Back lane to crossroads, DN to also wash off road signs. Ann Thompson has arranged to wash off signs at crossroads on PMR, Stables have done theirs. CW - litter pick ascol and has revarnished the notice board. AS to do Toft notice board. AG to mend bench and pressure wash bench and telephone box. Notice boards need bases strimming to keep the weeds down, CW to strim around notice board on Ascol drive.

AG commented that Malt Kiln Road and Whitehouse Lane road signs need replacing. SC said that replacement signs had been purchased before at a cost of approx £90. CEC has no liability for a road name sign. The new signs are plastic but very effective. AG to make a list of the signs that need replacing. AG reported that the station is coming along, more work to do. Sign now up for tidiest station award. A number of people were there whenthe sign was put up. No issues with any plants being removed. SC gave AG a copy of the judging sheet for the Community Pride competition. AG to provide a Community Pride article for newsletter. Community payback are not an option to help at the moment because of the safety restrictions and they are fully booked this year. SC mentioned that the Hedges on Trouthall Lane are overgrown and need cutting back as they are obstructing pavements. **ACTION: Clerk to write to CEC Highways for advice. JR/SC to approach residents to cut back hedges.**

**13. To receive Cheshire East Councillor’s report.** – GW said that Middlewich have a clean team, and leader has won a medal, they have 200 volunteers, Sandbach have a similar team. Manchester Airport is very bad for litter, Manchester City Council have done a litter pick. GW to ask CEC to do a litter pick on A556. SC mentioned there was a lot of litter in the field with horses in, near the Peover Eye. **ACTION: Clerk to find out who owns the land and write to them requesting that the litter is removed.**

**14. To receive any comments and reports by Councillors concerning transport, planning, footpaths, highways, village hall, parish plan, Home watch** – None reported.

**15. Meetings**

**15.1 Parish Council Meetings**

**15.2 External meetings relating to the Parish Council** – Meeting with George Osborne on HS2 26<sup>th</sup> April. CW & SC

**16. Knutsford LAP** – SC reported that the rail walk pamphlet is being reprinted. She has asked if the Olympic banner can come to Plumley the weekend of the village fete.

**17. To note the occurrence, since the previous meeting, of any road traffic accidents in the parish – Monday Middlewich road and holmes chapel road toft.**

**18. Finance**

18.1 To note the current financial position.

	Community Account	Business Premium Account (inc Earmarked funds)
	£	£
Balance brought forward,.....	4335.78	6148.41
Plus Deposits – 50% 2013/14 Precept .....	3651.00	
Less payments for March 2013 .....	714.30	
Less £500 trans to deposit for Playing Field .....	£500.00	
Balance .....	6772.48	

Earmarked funds		£
Donald Sterling Legacy		367.67
Donation for daffodil bulbs		6.50
Playing Fields provision		3,550.00

18.2 The following payments were approved:

- £250.20 - S Jones Clerk’s Salary for April\*
- £33.28 – S Jones Website Salary for April\*
- 416.82 – AON - Annual Insurance Premium.
- £14.00 – PVH Hire for Committee Room for 27<sup>th</sup> March PC meeting.

\*Total pay for S Jones £283.48 to be paid as one bank transfer on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2013.

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

## 20. Planning.

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

- **13/1270M** - LAND ADJOINING OAK COTTAGE, PINFOLD LANE, PLUMLEY, KNUTSFORD, WA16 9RW - Hay and straw store adjoining an existing agricultural building on agricultural land. **Comments: The building is quite visually obtrusive. Could there be tree type screening please? Perhaps near the lane so that the height of the building is disguised.**
- **13/1290M** – HEATHFIELD NURSERIES, ULLARD HALL LANE, PLUMLEY WA16 9RN, Outline application to provide agricultural workers dwelling. **Comments: Not sure it can be a viable business. SC suggested that a site visit should be made. No financial information.**
- **13/1320M** – ASH HOUSE, ASH LANE, OLLERTON, KNUTSFORD, CHESHIRE WA16 8RQ, Landscaping works and the creation of wildlife ponds including regarding. **Comments: Work is on going, change of use, trying to get a garden out of it.**

### 20.2 To note decisions made on the following planning applications.

- **13/1113M** - Non-material amendment to planning application 12/3737M - Erection of a side garage extension and roof alterations. SPRINGFIELD, PINFOLD LANE, PLUMLEY, KNUTSFORD, CHESHIRE, WA16 9RR. **Decision: Approved.**

## 21 To note progress on outstanding issues

<p><b>21.1 Plumley Smithy</b> - Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2013. David to talk to Daniel Fields still ongoing – AS recap on meeting with Highways – not enough usage to warrant a footpath. DN asked if we could go back to Highways. SC suggested that DN to contact AW at Highways.</p>	<p><b>21.5 Railings at Smoker</b> – these have been outstanding for 2 years. CEC Highways say that the railings have been measured but that CEC has removed funding for them to be installed. Repaired 25/3/2013.</p>
<p><b>21.2 Highways Issues</b>          - <b>SID</b> – CEC to provide a quote. Chased 19 March          - <b>Speeding on PMR</b> – J Crossley to provide the number of entrances to residences on PMR from Plantation to the Middlewich Road. Not provided yet.          - <b>Road signs on A556</b> – Clerk has requested cleaning.          - <b>Moss on Pavement on A556</b> – Clerk requested this is cleared          Finger post at pinfold lane – <b>ACTION: CW to clean.</b></p>	<p><b>21.6 Holford Hall</b> – Viewing platform which is a way of viewing the house, is it still there and that the hedge is trimmed sufficiently that the view of the moat is not obscured           JL reported that the hedge is trimmed at the view point, however the view is still obscured by planting behind the hedge. <b>ACTION: JL to provide pictures. JW to take a look and then talk to footpaths.</b>           Mr Budenberg CPRE – SC explained that Holford Hall not made available, he offered to write to the owner if necessary.</p>
<p><b>21.3 PROW</b> – Plumley Lime Beds (DMMO) JW to contact to Madge Holt and Edna Fewtrell, 1 Moorcroft, to fill in a form each.   <b>21.4 Moorcroft access/roadway</b></p>	<p><b>21.7 Excess water on Cheadle Lane</b> - DN 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 which is flooded. Road impassable because of the drainage problem. <b>Clerk sent note to Andy Wilson stating that when the cold weather comes it ices up a third of the road. CEC Highways are in the process of scheduling this work.</b></p>

**22 To assess the requirement for any Welcome Letters.** – None.

**23 To receive any items for inclusion in the agenda for the next meeting to be held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at Plumley Village Hall at 7.45pm.**

## 24 Any Other Business

### Diary of events

Date	Event	Time
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