

Plumley with Toft and Bexton Parish Council

Police Surgery -7.30pm: PCSO Jenny Regan attended the surgery in place of PCSO Lindsey Whitehead.

The members felt that more 50 mph signs near the junction of Middlewich Road and the A50, GW indicated that this in hand.

PCSO Regan indicated that there would be more driver engagement days in Plumley in the near future.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

In the Committee Room, Plumley Village Hall at 7.45 pm on Wednesday 26th February 2014

Present: Cllrs S Crossman (Chairman)(SC), G Walton, CEC(GW), M Taylor(MT), J Lloyd(JL), D Nichols (DN), A Shaw(AS), D Fairbrother(DF), J Wrigth (JW), J Richardson(JR), C Wilson(CW) & S Wharfe(SW).

In attendance: S Jones – Clerk, G Dalton- Knutsford First Responders & 1 member of the public.

- 1. To explain the Evacuation procedure** –Evacuation procedure explained.
- 2. Public Session.** There was one member of the public in attendance for the discussion regarding the defibrillators.
- 3. To receive and accept apologies for absence from those members unable to attend.** Apologies were received from Cllr Gabbott (given at the January Meeting).
- 4. Declaration of Interests** – There were not declarations of interests.
- 5. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 29th January 2014** - DN asked if the abbreviation for the Oil and Pipelines Agency could be changed from OPD to OPA. **Resolved:** To accept the minutes of the meeting of the 29th January 2014 with the listed change. Proposed by CW & seconded by JL.
- 6. To note any matters arising from the minutes of the meeting of 29th January 2014** - there were no matters arising from the minutes.

The Chairman suspended the PC meeting to allow the member of the public to speak during item 7.

- 7. Information on Defibrillators** – Geoffrey Dalton (GD) from Knutsford First Responders was present to talk to the Parish Council and a resident about Defibrillators. He outlined the locations of First Responders defibrillators and explained that none of the Knutsford defibrillators were available 24 hours a day, as most of them are in shops, pubs and leisure centers. The defibrillators need to be protected from the elements and particularly from the cold. Exterior wall boxes can be purchased, they operate with a coded lock and the code can be given out by the emergency services. **Action: GD to send details of the external box web site to the Clerk.**

GD explained how defibrillators work and that they can be operated by someone with no training as the machine gives instructions to the operator. However, he felt that people would be more confident to use the equipment if they have received training. There are Heart Start courses in Knutsford which are proving very popular and they give people the confidence they can use the machine, CPR etc. There is no charge for the courses.

Knutsford First Responders can help the PC obtain funding for a defibrillator from British Heart Foundation but they need to put forward a strong case. Maintenance of the equipment involves servicing, new battery etc, and there is a 5 year lifetime on the pads. The Zol AED plus is recommended by the British Heart Foundation, which costs approx £999 + vat at the defibrillator.shop.co.uk. The cabinet costs about £324 plus vat (not for exterior use), and has an alarm fitted. It is also possible that First Responders may be able to contribute to the costs and the Knutsford Rotary Club have also expressed an interest in contributing to the cost of purchase. However, the Rotary Club have also said that they would be more supportive of a proposal which includes training for the local community.

The PC asked GD if a trainer would come to the Village with resuscitation dolls to show and train some residents in CPR, the Annual Parish Meeting would be the ideal forum to hold an introductory session by First Responders. The resident said she knew of at least one person who could help with training. JL said he felt that it was a 3 stage process, introducing the concept of having a defibrillator in the Village at the APM, Training and implementing (including maintenance). The PC thanked GD for his time and asked that he confirmed attendance at the APM.

The Chairman resumed the Parish Council Meeting.

8. To receive Cheshire East Councillor's report – GW began by talking about the speed limits on the country lanes leading off the A50. The A50 is now 50 mph, Chelford Road, Ollerton to Macclesfield is also proposed to be reduced to 50mph. GW is keen to promote 50 mph on A556 from J19 on the M6 to Lostock Gralam. The members of the PC indicated that they would be supportive of any proposal to reduce the speed limit 50mph on A556 but that any new speed limit would need to be enforced. The Strategic Planning Board met today and the Local Plan Core Strategy was reviewed. On Friday it will be ratified by a meeting of the full council, any comments will be taken on board. On 14th March it will be re-issued for a 6 week consultation period, any comments will go to the Planning Inspectorate not the Council. It is hoped the Core Strategy will be ratified by Christmas. The next project will be the site allocations for Villages (small sites). DN mentioned the repair to the footpath on Plumley Moor Road which has been done very quickly by CEC Highways, Andy Wilson (AW). AW actioned the repair the same day it was reported. **Action: Clerk to send thank you note to AW.**

9. Correspondence

- E-mails from J Crossley regarding speed of traffic on PMR – **Action: Clerk to write back to Mr Crossley to say that GW is aware of his feelings, and is investigating further.**
- E-mail from A Wilson CEC Highways, re Moorcroft Name Plate
- E-mail from A Ingram, President Rotary Club of Knutsford re Sponsorship for a Defibrillator
- E-mail from J Needham re Affordable Housing – **Action: Clerk to reply to Mr Needham indicating that the PC has researched this matter via the Freedom of Information Team at CEC and the Housing Options Manager at CEC and the PC now feels that no further action can be taken.**
- P&P celebratory event for Chapel view – local person to present plaque and gift for communal area. Members of the PC suggested that perhaps it was not appropriate to hold such an event at this time. **Action: Clerk to write to P&P to say that the PC does not feel this event is appropriate at this time.**

10. HS2 Update– CW indicated that there wasn't much further movement to report. The PC had submitted its response to the consultation and received confirmation of receipt from Ipsos. HS2 Ltd will produce their final recommendation on the stage 2 route by January 2015. HS2 Stage 1 is currently going ahead however the Hybrid bill will not go through parliament until after the next election. There is a new chairman of HS2, Sir David Higgins, who was CEO of the London Olympics Delivery Authority. He has been mandated to get the project back on track and cut costs. One of his first suggestions is that Euston Station should be redeveloped since it does not currently have the capacity for the 18 trains an hour (each holding 1000 people) expected with HS2. CW said that within the HS2 statement there is mention of several types of geology that should be avoided due to an unstable nature, one of which is salt. There is only a 5mm tolerance on HS2 tracks and depressions can occur, due to the salt strata, which exceed this tolerance. The PC could arrange a meeting with GO at some future date if it is deemed necessary.

11. Highways - Pedestrian Crossing, Roundabout and SID's –Update. JR reported that Highways have been to the village a number of times to look at the proposed location of the crossing and roundabout.. The proposal is still at the discussion stage with Pryce Evans, CEC Highways. He has indicated that there would not be any work done until the next financial year (2014/15). We are still awaiting the proposed plan.

12. To receive any comments and reports by Councillors concerning transport, planning, footpaths, highways, Village Hall, Parish Plan, Community Pride, Community Resilience, Home watch.

JR mentioned the damaged railing on the footpath on Truthall Lane, and that temporary railings have been installed on the bridge. She also mentioned that there were exposed wires in a pothole in the road near the Smoker. JR has reported this to CEC Highways.

PROW – GW mentioned that PROW may become a WOC (Wholly Owned Company) which is a new arrangement for footpaths – Cllr Ken Edwards, CEC, for Bollington can be contacted in relation to this.

Community Resilience - JL did not feel he knows the people on the list well enough to enquire after their well being during the power recent power outage. He will introduce himself to these residents so that he can enquire after their well being without feeling as if he was being too intrusive, should there be another power outage or similar incident.

Newsletter - The Clerk mentioned there had been an enquiry to advertise in the Parish Newsletter. The PC felt that this was not the right publication for advertising and SC reminded the PC that local businesses were able to

advertise on the Web Site in the Business directory. **Action:** Clerk to offer to advertise on the web site and suggest that they ask to advertise in LP Parish Magazine (Clerk to ask LP Clerk for contact details).

13. Meetings

- PC Meetings – None
- External Meetings
 - Chalc Macclesfield Area Meeting – 19th February – Items covered were the Local Plan, footpaths and bridleways (minutes circulated)
 - Meeting with OPA – 18th February – See Item 17.
 - Richard Comberbach Trust Meeting with LP School Governors on 18th March – PC has queried the LP School Admissions Policy because a child from Plumley has not been given a place at LP school as there are currently no spaces available.
 - Chalc Effective Appraisals Seminar – 2nd April
 - Chalc Planning Seminar – 8th April

14. Community Pride Competition – Action: Clerk to complete the forms and return to CCA by 14th March. Litter Pickers were distributed to councilors, the remainder were taken by JR for TG to collect on his return. Routes for litter picking were agreed as follows: JR– Trouthall Lane, from Brookhouse Farm to the railway bridge; JL – to do Moorcroft and the Garage area, and further down Trouthall Lane; JW – Village Hall to the Golden Pheasant; SW – Whitehouse Farm; TG – from the shop to the Smoker; JL – will also do Back Lane and onto PMR and over motorway bridge; DF & AS to litter pick Toft; SC to do Yew Tree Road to Chapel & VH; MT will do the bungalow estate. **Action:** TG to arrange a litter pick day and advertise in the April issue of the Newsletter.

15. Knutsford LAP – Nothing to report.

16. To note the occurrence, since the previous meeting, of any road traffic accidents in the parish – None reported.

17. Fuel Movements – Report from 18th February Meeting with OPA at PVH

DN reported that the bottom line is that the fuel will be moved by road. OPA said that their transport consultants, RPS, have looked at the possible routes and the A556 via Lach Dennis is the only suitable route. There will be up to 30 loads a day. DN felt that OPA were putting a lot of faith in the preferred operator being able to move heavy goods vehicles in both directions at the same time along this route. RPS are oil and fuel specialists, apparently being one of the world's leading multi-disciplinary consultancies advising on all aspects of the built & natural environment. At the meeting a CW&C councillor was in attendance and would report back to CW&C Highways. CEC & CW&C have stated that OPA do not need planning permission or any other permission for the fuel movements by road. The fuel movements are due to start mid 2015. DN suggested that the PC should liaise with LP, Lach Dennis & Lostock Gramam PC's in relation to this matter. **Action:** DN to ask OPA about a press release for residents and copy the other parishes.

18. Finance

18.1 To note the current financial position.

	Community Account	Business Premium Account
	£	£
Balance brought forward,.....	7266.97	6151.99
Less payments for Feb 2014	624.31	
Balance	6642.66	

18.2 To approve the following payments were approved;

- £250.20 to S Jones. December Salary*
- £33.28 to S. Jones. December payment for web site maintenance*
- £164.40 to the Helping Hand Company for litter pickers
- £39.00 Annual Subscription (30% of Annual Fee Goostrey to Pay 70%, a saving of £48.00)
- £137.43 The John Hulme Partnership Ltd - CBK Station Sign (price for 2 signs including VAT)

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

*Total pay for S Jones £283.48 to be paid by standing order on 1st March 2014.

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): None received.

20.2 To note the following planning decisions by Cheshire East Council: 13/1886M - LEICESTER WARREN HALL, BEXTON LANE, KNUTSFORD, WA16 9BQ - Proposed Creation of a new entrance and construction of an extension. **This application was registered in July 2013 the Parish Council had no objections. DECISION: APPROVED.**

Action: Moss Wood - Clerk to write to Planning Enforcement to ask for it to be regularized.

20.3 Resolution to delegate authority to Clerk for planning applications from now until the next meeting.

Resolved: To delegate authority to the Clerk for planning application from now until the next meeting.

21. **To note progress regarding ongoing issues**

<p>21.1 Plumley Smithy - The thatched building needs to be protected. Plant growing up the side of the building towards the thatch, concerned about the maintenance thatched.</p>	<p>21.5 Moorcroft access/roadway</p>
<p>21.2 Highways Issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SID –Finance-JR & SJ- JR asked GW to remind DT, CEC Highways about the quote and the siting. PC could afford to pay up to £3000 towards the costs if the PC chooses to go ahead. - Pedestrian Crossing and Mini Roundabout – Awaiting PE to come back with date for survey. <p>SpeedWatch -Volunteers are required to take this forward. ACTION: JR to approach Ted Morley for help.</p>	<p>21.6 Holford Hall – Cheshire life had an article about walk around Plumley. The article reported that the person who walked the route, knocked at the door of Holford Hall to ask in which direction the footpath goes from the viewing platform. SC felt that may be a need for new signage at the viewing platform. JL suggested that the signage is clear unless you follow a GPS map. Action: JW to send Cheshire Life article to Evan Pedley at PROW to highlight the possible need for more signage at the viewing platform. JW feels the signs are clear and the route is clearly marked. The kissing gate has a padlock on it which makes it look like it is locked, JW will send to PROW</p>
<p>21.3 PROW – Plumley Lime Beds (DMMO)</p>	<p>21.7 Chapel View, Truthall Lane</p>
<p>21.4 Fuel Movements – DN reported that there are some taking place and some excavations on site. It is likely that the movements will be delayed until later in 2014.</p>	

22 **Chapel View** – Local Connection Update – After some discussion, and in view of the discovery that the resident had lived in Plumley previously during the required period of time, and that P&P had evidence to support the applicants claim, the PC felt that this matter could not be progressed any further.

23 **Annual Parish Meeting 1st May 2014** – SC mentioned that the Chapel is thinking of changing districts. **Action: Clerk to invite reports from Shop, Chapel, WI, and the School Governors. The invitation to the APM is to be included in the April Newsletter with a separate flyer to accompany the Newsletter to promote the First Responders attendance at the APM.**

24 **PVH Tennis Courts** – Funding for Maintenance & TPO – Update – DN & Iain McCulloch to meet with Nigel Bates, CEC to discuss further the issue of the roots of the trees affecting the tennis courts.

25 **To assess the requirement for any Welcome Letters** – Two or three were required for new residents of Moorcroft. **Action: Clerk to ask P&P when houses change hands so we can drop off a welcome letter.**

26 **To receive any items for inclusion in the agenda for the next meeting to be held on Wednesday 26th March 2014 at Plumley Village Hall at 7.45pm (Police Surgery at 7.30pm).**

27 **Any Other Business** – SC gave her apologies for the next meeting. The Clerk also gave her apologies and explained that the LP Clerk, Liz McGrath would be taking the minutes. DN to Chair the meeting.

Members of the PC were concerned to find out what happened to the footpath on Truthall Lane which was to run from Chapel view to the existing pavement. **Action: Clerk to ask Pryce Evans, CEC Highways**

28 Close meeting 10.00pm.

Diary of events

Date	Event	Time
26.3.14	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.30pm
1.05.14	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room(Thursday)	7.00pm
1.05.14	Annual Parish Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Main Hall(Thursday)	8.00pm
28.5.14	Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, Toft Church Hall	7.45pm
25.6.14	Parish Council Meeting, Toft Church Hall	7.45pm
30.7.14	Parish Council Meeting, Toft Church Hall	7.45pm
24.9.14	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.30pm
29.10.14	Parish Council Meeting, Toft Church Hall	7.45pm
26.11.14	Parish Council Meeting, Plumley Village Hall Committee Room	7.30pm

Appendix 1 – Additional Correspondence

Peaks & Plains RE: Celebratory Event at Chapel View, Plumley
CEC Highways RE: Damage to Peover Eye Bridge off Truthall Lane
Rachel Bolton CEC RE: Section 106 agreement for Chapel View Houses
Jonathan Challis Manchester Airport/Parish-Town Council Meetings
Alan Ingram, Knutsford Rotary Club Re: Defibrilator in Plumley
FOI CEC RE: Chapel View, Truthall Lane, Plumley
Mkwood RE: Advertising
George Barker Moorcroft Plumley
CEC Highways RE: Moorcroft Name Plate
HS2Enquiries RE: Phase Two Route Consultation
Mark Reading Cheshire Community Action 1st Newsletter of 2014.
Hazel Merrill, Chalc RE; POLICE & CRIME PLAN 2014-16: CONSULTATION
CHESHIRE HOMECHOICE Newsletter 5th February 2014
COOPER, Lynsey ESF Community Learning Grants - launch of Round Five
Manchester 100 charity cycle ride 2014
alert@neighbourhoodalert.co.uk Volunteer Community Safety Responders
Jane Thirsk Waterboard scam
J Crossley RE: Speed and safety
Carole McMahon Dog fouling
Hazel Merrill - Effective Appraisals Training Session