

PLUMLEY WITH TOFT AND BEXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Parish Meeting, held on Thursday 26th April, 2012 at 8pm, in Plumley Village Hall

Present: Cllr Mrs S Crossman Chairman, Cllrs: Mr. S Wharfe, Mrs J Richardson, Mrs M Taylor, Mr C Wilson, Mr A Gabbott, Mr J Wright, Mr J Lloyd, Mr D Fairbrother, Mr G Walton (CEC), Mr D Nichols.
Mrs S Buttifant, Mid Cheshire Community Rail Partnership, Mr J Whieldon, Ineos Brinefields Current Operations, Mr J Royle (Plumley Village Store), Mr J Easton (Methodist Church), Mr N Withenshaw (Board of Governors, Lower Peover School).

Residents: S Wainwright, T Morley, S Lane, T Clifford, K Scott, P Arnfield, J Needham, N Baker.

Apologies: Cllr A Shaw, PCSO Jenny Regan

In Attendance: Mrs S Jones (Clerk)

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming all present.

1. **Evacuation procedure** – the Chairman pointed out the emergency exits.
2. **To receive apologies for absence (and those present have signed attendance list)**
3. **To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 24th March 2011** – The minutes were distributed to the people present. Mrs M Taylor proposed that the minutes be approved this was seconded by Mrs P Arnfield.
4. **To deal with any matters arising from those minutes** - None
5. **To receive the Chairman's Annual Report** – The Chairman presented her report.
 - 5.1 **To receive Councillors' reports on:**
 - 5.1.1 Community Pride & Parish Plan – Cllr A Gabbott
 - 5.1.2 Highways – Cllr J Richardson
 - 5.1.3 Planning & Footpaths – Cllr J Wright
 - 5.1.4 Village Hall – Cllr D Nichols (Copy of report available)
 - 5.1.5 Neighbourhood Watch – Cllr J Lloyd
6. **To receive a presentation local policing issues** - No report.
7. **To receive the Cheshire East Councillors report** – Cllr George Walton gave his report in which he mentioned the surface dressing of Plumley Moor Road and the great success of the new refuse system (grey bins) which has saved CEC thousands of pounds. He went on to say that the traffic commissioners boundaries were being reviewed which should have a positive impact on the local bus services.

Cllr Walton said that he would be made Mayor on 16th May 2012 at the Mayor Making Ceremony.

Neville Baker commented on the quick action of Northwich Council with regard to filling in potholes. Once notified the pothole is marked and then filled within 2 days. Cllr Walton said that this should be the same for CEC.

Cllr Crossman asked how the savings were put to use. Cllr Walton indicated that the savings went into a large pot of money for re-distribution. He also said that reducing the carbon footprint would be next on the agenda.

Cllr Gabbott commented that the grey bins are smaller than the black bins.

Cllr Crossman thanked Cllr Walton for being so helpful during the year and always replying to queries in good time.

8. **To receive a presentation on: Community Resilience** – Cllr J Lloyd delivered his presentation on Community Resilience (copy of report available).
9. **To receive the Lower Peover School Governor's report** – Mr Norman Withenshaw read the report on behalf of Mrs Louise Lawton, Chairman of the Lower Peover School Governors (copy of report available).

9.1 To receive the report of the Richard Cumberbach Trust - Cllr Sybil Crossman delivered the report.

10. To receive presentations from

10.1 Plumley Methodist Church – James Eaton read the report from the Methodist Church.

10.2 Plumley Village Stores - Jonathan Royle read the report from the Village Stores

10.3 Plumley W.I. – The report from WI was not read out due to lack of time. However a copy of the report is available.

11. **To welcome a presentation from Sally Buttifant, Mid Cheshire Community Rail Partnership Officer** - Sally delivered a very informative report, a copy of her report is available.

Cllr Crossman if there could be any assistance for people who have difficulty getting on and off the trains. Sally Buttifant said that she had already flagged this with Network Rail and there was a plan to bring in Harrington Humps and she would let the Parish Council know when there was progress. In the meantime anyone having difficulties should ask the Guard on the train for assistance.

12. **To welcome a presentation from Jon Whieldon, Ineos Brinefields Current Operations** – Jon Whieldon made a very interesting presentation on how the brinefields and pipes work.

13. **Refreshment** – There Clerk presented some slides showing the new Parish Council Web side during the refreshment period.

14. **Close** – The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

Where it is stated that copies of the reports are available the reports are on the web site.