



**PLUMLEY WITH TOFT & BEXTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

5.3.20

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 4th March 2020 at 7.30 pm Plumley Village Hall**

Councillors in attendance;

G Coates (Vice Chairman) S Jones, J Wright, V L Roxby, S Crossman, A Thompson,
R Raphael, S Wharfe, A Shaw D Nichols

Public Forum

An update was received with regards to the plans for the 75th Anniversary event

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from A Gabbott

2. Declaration of interests

Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests were received from –
Non – pecuniary Cllrs S Crossman Plumley Village Hall, Richard Comberbach Trust
Non Pecuniary – Cllr D Nichols Plumley Village Hall
Pecuniary - VL Roxby with matters relating to Toft Estate

3. Minutes

PTB 48/1920 resolved to approve & sign the Minutes of the meeting held on the 8th January 2020

4. Cheshire East Council Matters:

There was no report from the East Cheshire ward memberChair

5. Clerks Report – To receive

5.1 **Correspondence and to take decisions on items specified in Appendix 03/20 attached**

5.2 **Reports of additional Road Traffic Accidents**

PTB 49/1920 Resolved to approve correspondence in 03/20 and to note an additional RTA on the 3.3.2020 at the junction of 7 Sisters Lane and the A50 – Blue lights were in attendance

Ref Correspondence 27.2 Re Sandfield Wood – potential Village Green proposal from Knutsford Town Council

Action It was agreed that the Clerk should request information and a viewpoint from the owners of Sandfield Wood with regards to this matter and to also request the reasoning for this potential proposal by Knutsford Town Council – **Councilor VL Roxby vacated the room for this discussion**

Plumley Station Bridge and Ticket Machine

Ongoing concerns being received by Councillors in relation to the accessing of tickets and the dangerous width of the footpath going over the bridge which now has a hump which is making it even more dangerous as it is a trip hazard

Action – Continue communication to Northern Rail on this matter and to establish if passengers who are unable or unwilling to take the risk of going over the bridge for a ticket can legally pay on the train without being fined

6. Financial Payments –

6.1 To approve payments in Appendix 03/20 attached. Includes: Salaries & expenses.

6.2 To approve the balances in the Community and Business accounts

PTB 50/1920 Resolved to approve expenditure of £1788.90 as listed and the balances of £14,772.89 in the Community Accounts and £10,187.76 in the Earmarked Reserves account

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

Note - When receiving reports and making resolutions perceived risks need to be identified and if necessary agreed actions required to mitigate them

General Highways issues, including Speedwatch

- **Action log** – updated as attached

Agreed that councilors would report highway issue onto the CEC website and forward details to the clerk

- **Speedwatch and speeding initiatives update (average speed cameras)**

It was reported that following on from the meeting with the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), David Keane, a further meeting took place in February with John Dwyer (the main opposing candidate for this post in the forthcoming PCC election). The proposals for the general principles of average speed cameras was enthusiastically received. Other Parish Councils have voiced their support for this initiative through recent meetings

Action - Clerk to distribute Powerpoint presentation to all councilors

7.1 Planning JW

- **19/1711M HOLLY TREE FARM, PLUMLEY MOOR ROAD,**

PTB 51/1920 Resolved to Not object to this proposal – Should the proposed development be subject to a community infrastructure levy, the parish council would wish this to be spent on the construction of a footpath/pavement from Plumley Station entrance/exit, to terminate opposite the Golden pheasant, as the lack of such a footpath is a significant public safety concern.

- **20/0323M HEESOM GREEN STOCK FARM, MIDDLEWICH ROAD, TOFT**

PTB 52/1920 Resolved to not object to the proposal

- **20/0458M HOLFORD HALL, MILL LANE, PLUMLEY,**

PTB 53/1920 Resolved to not object to the proposal

- **20/0698M CROSSWAYS, PLUMLEY MOOR ROAD, PLUMLEY,**

PTB 54/1920 Resolved to object to the proposal

This is an application not for an ancillary building, but a separate dwelling in The Green Belt, not within the village core area where certain types of new dwellings would be allowed such as infilling, or on brown field sites. If the building was an existing building, there would be a good argument to converting it to ancillary accommodation, but not to a separate dwelling.

Setting the new dwelling 3 m away from the existing house would facilitate it being sold off separately, and would not make the existing semi detached house a terraced house, as it would if the new house with attached to it

The proposal seems to be yet another attempt to build a new dwelling in the garden of the existing house, where it would not be allowed in The Green Belt.

- **Planning enforcement :Land Adjacent to the Chase, Truthall Lane, Plumley, Cheshire, PTB 55/1920 Resolved to** support Cheshire East Councils position with regards to enforcement and wishes to add that the hedgerows that were removed through the development of the site be replaced.

7.2 **Cheshire Oil Development**

No further updates received

7.3 **Neighbourhood Planning**

On hold whilst the average speed cameras are being investigated

7.4 **Footpaths**

Issues with the broken stile and footpath sign were being added to this Issues log

7.5 **Police Liaison SC/VRL**

Noted that

- There was an overall shortage of PCSO's due to the recruitment campaign for police officers

8. **Meetings – To note feedback from meetings attended since the meeting 8th January 2020 and to note attendance to take place at meetings during March and April 2020**

Cllr S Jones- Police & Crime Commissioner Meeting with Parish and Town Council Representatives **4th February 2020**

Cllr R Raphael will be attending HS2 Meeting **12.3.20**

11 February 2020 Meeting of the Richard Comberbach Trustees. Cllr Shaw , the PC representative, was present.

9. **To receive any items for inclusion in the agenda for the next meeting, proposed to be held during May 2020 date to be confirmed**

- Preservation of artwork at Plumley Station
- Clarification on Insurance for litter picks

10. **Close Meeting**

6 Clerks report APPENDIX 03/2020

7.1 Correspondence of note

General correspondence	
10.1	9/1711M HOLLY TREE FARM, PLUMLEY MOOR ROAD, PLUMLEY,
24.1	CEC Footpaths FP 13 – 3 rd on list
25.1	invoice from Parish Online
28.1	20/0323M HEESOM GREEN STOCK FARM, MIDDLEWICH ROAD, TOFT,
31.1.	ChALC Weekly Bulletin 31.01.20
31.1	Paul Beacock – highways related matters
4.2	20/0458M HOLFORD HALL, MILL LANE, PLUMLEY
19.2	20/0698M CROSSWAYS, PLUMLEY MOOR ROAD, PLUMLEY,
7.2	ChALC Bulletin 07.02.20
26.2	PLANNING ENFORCEMENT EAST
27.2	Adam Keppel-Green Knutsford Town Council Sandfield Wood

Correspondence Sandfield Wood

The Town Council has been approached by a number of our residents concerning access to Sandfield Wood, which lies just over the parish boundary. Based on the information we have been given, we believe that Sandfield Wood merits designation as a Village Green and would like to respond to our residents by preparing a village green application. As you will be aware, similar to a public right of way if it can be evidenced that there is an area which the public has enjoyed use of as of right (for lawful sports and pastimes) for a sustained period, an application can be progressed to establish that right indefinitely. The decision would be taken by Cheshire East Council's Public Rights of Way Committee. We have recently been successful in having another woodland in Knutsford registered as a village green so are familiar with the process. As the site falls within your parish, the council has resolved that we will only progress an application if there is no objection from the parish council. If you could please advise where the council would object to our progressing an application. If you require any further information, or would like me to attend a council meeting to discuss the item, please let me know

7.2 Road Traffic accidents – On 3rd February 2020 Three cars were involved in an accident at the junction of Plumley Moor Road and Middlewich Road. Blue lights were in attendance

8.1 Financial Payments

COMMUNITY ACCOUNT		
Opening Balance		16561.39
Income		
Transfers		
Available balance		16561.39
Chq Ref	Payee	
1252	R Aston 75 th Anniversary event	300.00
1253	D McGifford Salary 2 mths	488.07
1254	D McGifford expenses Feb / March	90.47
1254	Website	48.33
1255	HM Revenue and Customs	388.43
1256	CTC – Newsletter printing	35.60
1257	G Coates – Christmas lights and electrics	438.00
	Geo sphere - Parish on line mapping for N Plan	0

Total for period	1788.90
Balance carried forward	14772.89

7.2 Business Account –Council Earmarked Reserves

Historic Reserves	£ Current	£ proposed	Allocation
Donald Sterling Legacy	367.67	367.67	Station project
Donation for Daffodil Bulbs	6.50	6.50	Station project
Playing Field provision	3550.00	3550.00	Sports fields – review at year end
Reserves not allocated	2263.59	2040.59	£223 to General reserve
Speed Reduction reserve	0		To be agreed at year end
Housing needs survey reserve	0		To be agreed at year end
	6187.76	5964.76	
General reserve required – 3 months of annual budget	4,000	4,223	
Election reserve (figure to be confirmed CEC)	TBC	0	
Total Reserves Held	10,187.76	10187.76	

Plumley Toft with Bexton Parish Council Action log update March 4th 2020

Date	Issue	Person	Action
6.11.19 20.1.20	No footway leading to the Golden Pheasant	DM / GC	Council to discuss first steps for this project ie a schematic and costing will be required – Budget? January 2020 mtg Update – S106 contribution sought from planning application 19/1711M HOLLY TREE FARM, PLUMLEY MOOR ROAD, PLUMLEY,
6.11.19	Plumley Station Ticket Machine Health and Safety Concerns	DM	Meeting 6.11 list of agreed actions with Northern Rail – response with timelines requested 1.The location of the ticket machine 2Disability access issues 3 Amazon lockers to be relocated and potential neutral colour change- Raj to advise the clerk on the date of a visit to agree potential locations 4.Live train information system – Raj to check if this is planned for Plumley with an indicative date 5.Advise when Harrington Humps will be introduced at the station 6.Lighting on the bridge On each item timelines for action / feedback to be provided Re- sent 16.1.20
6.11.19	Reclaiming our roads	-	Review after Camera Speeding solution viability is established
6.11.19	Speeding sign Moorcroft Estate		Research into design required ?
6.11.19 8.1.20	A50 Siding Out at Toft Between Goughs Lane and Seven Sisters	DM	Map required to advise Ansa of exact area DM to advise Ansa Reported -Highways ref Number: 3389018 E-mail also sent to highways officer 17.2.19
8.1.20	Condition of Road and blocked drain near to Plumleys	MA DM	CEC Cllr M Asquith aware of issue DM to find contact for relevant CEC Highways officer Reported -Highways ref number: 3389023 E-mail also sent to highways officer 17.2.19