

**PEWSEY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD AT THE BOUVERIE HALL ON 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2021 at 7.00pm**

<b><u>PRESENT:</u></b>	Cllr Haskell (Chairman), Cllr Ann Hogg (Vice-Chairman) Cllrs Mrs Brindley, Mrs Dalrymple, Ellis, Mrs Humfress, Mrs Hunt, Judy Kunkler, Mrs Mundy, Kerry Pycroft, Mrs Stevens, Cllrs Garrett, Giles, King, McGarry, Morris and Smithers.
<b><u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u></b>	Alison Kent (Clerk), Cllr Kunkler, Cllr Oatway, Mrs Wilson (PCAP), a student from Pewsey Vale School and 6 members of the public.
<b><u>12/1 APOLOGIES:</u></b>	Cllr Mrs Pullen and Cllr Ford. Cllr Mrs Turner arrived at the meeting at 7.22pm.
<b><u>12/2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:</u></b>	Cllr Kerry Pycroft and Cllr Haskell on item 7 (b).
<b><u>12/16 USE OF NORTH STREET CAR PARK:</u></b>	<p>The Chairman moved this agenda item to the start of the meeting in order to allow those that wished to leave the meeting early, the opportunity to do so. He would also permit members of the public to make statements should they wish to do so.</p> <p>He reminded members that they were voting on the use of the North Street car park on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> December. He believed that all members had seen or heard the comments over the previous days, Cllr Mrs Hunt stated that she had not but was happy to continue. The vote would be taken by show of hands.</p> <p>Cllr Haskell invited a representative of the Tedworth Hunt to speak. The hunt had been a long-established activity in this area and popular in Pewsey with many people turning up for the Boxing Day event. It had always been a very positive and gentle occasion and made fun in the past with the provision of refreshments. Copies of the required risk assessment and public liability insurance had been provided, as requested, to the Parish Council.</p> <p>The landlord of a local public house spoke in favour of the meet, although this would be the first time he had experienced it. He was aware of how the occasion was a significant part of the business year and purely commenting on the commercial viability of the pub.</p> <p>The Chairman requested a show of hands, with the result being 14 for, 3 against the use of the North Street car park for the Tedworth Hunt meet on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> December.</p>
<b><u>12/3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:</u></b>	<p>The Chairman said this had been a roller coaster year, as had the previous one, for everyone in different ways. The council had done its best and he thanked members for their support. Unfortunately, the situation with Covid was getting progressively worse again and the council would react to it in accordance to the national guidelines when issued, which seemed to be daily. The Clerk would be working from home for the majority of her time. The January Full Council would, at present, take place in the Bouverie Hall and the Planning Committee next week in the Parish Office.</p> <p>He had been told that the new canopy at Pewsey Vale School which the council had supported through CIL money, was very successful. Cllr Mrs Dalrymple added that a huge amount of money had been raised, well over £100,000, towards work on the quadrant area which would start in the summer.</p> <p>The next morning he and the Clerk would attend on online meeting introducing Cllr Clewer and Mr Herbert, CEO of Wiltshire Council. Cllr Haskell hoped to get the opportunity to discuss highways and the parish steward scheme.</p>
<b><u>12/4 UNITARY COUNCILLOR:</u></b>	Cllr Kunkler wished everyone a Happy Christmas and New Year. He confirmed that the current Highways Engineer was leaving and a new one appointed to start in January. There were several issues that

	<p>needed to be resolved and would meet with the new officer. The Area Board meeting had been held in person at the Rugby Club with some grant funding awarded but none specific to Pewsey. Funds remained for youth and health and wellbeing. A substantive grant had been awarded for North Newnton via CATG and he advised Pewsey to pursue any projects it may have.</p> <p>The main council budget had been finalised although some of the reserves may need to be used. Some restructuring had taken place; of note Mike Wilmot (Head of Planning) had retired. Either Andrew or Karen Guest would temporarily take over. Cllr Kunkler continued to liaise with Cllr Mrs Hunt on the current planning appeals. Cllr Mrs Mundy reminded Cllr Kunkler of the potholes that had not been repaired in Sunnyhill Lane, he would chase Highways.</p>	
<b><u>12/5 POLICE MATTERS:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Turner arrived 7.22pm.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Humfress explained that she needed the device returned from other users and then arrange sessions to take place.</p> <p>Cllr Haskell stated there had been a poor response from the police about the lack of a replacement PCSO, which had subsequently been raised at the Area Board with little answer. He felt the next stage was to request a meeting with the new Police and Crime Commissioner in the New Year. Cllr Oatway reminded the council that whilst it was right to invite him to a meeting, the visibility of police on the streets were operational matters so there was no direct involvement.</p>	
<b><u>12/6 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:</u></b>	All being in agreement, the minutes of the meeting held on 9 <sup>th</sup> November were signed as a true record, by the Chairman.	
<b><u>12/7 FINANCE:</u></b>	<p>a) Balance in Current account £92,623.38 Instant Reserve account £46,751.06, Lloyds Business Account £60,741.00, Nationwide Savings Account £85,146.82, Cambridge Building Society £85,000.00, Unity Trust Savings Account £85,000.</p> <p>b) Payments, as listed were proposed for approval by Cllr Mrs Stevens, seconded Cllr Morris, all in favour.</p> <p>c) There were no quotations for acceptance.</p> <p>d) Petty Cash - opening balance £39.45, no expenditure in the month.</p>	
<b><u>12/8 CO-OPTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR:</u></b>	The clerk advised one application had been received from Mrs Cobbing. Cllr Haskell proposed she be co-opted onto the council, seconded Cllr Morris, all in favour.	
<b><u>12/9 REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS AND TERMS OF REFERENCE:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Ann Hogg advised that the Standing Orders and Terms of Reference had been circulated. Any comments should be sent to her for consideration at the January Full Council. Terms of Reference required reviewing by the Chairs of each relevant committee and made ready for approval. A future debate would be held on smaller committees. The Clerk confirmed the quorum is a third of the size set.</p> <p>Cllr Giles stated that in the past members felt disenfranchised by not being a member of a committee and expressed caution at reverting back to reduced numbers. Cllr Mrs Hunt felt it should be left open for everyone to attend every committee. The quorum remained at 7 (being a third of the Council/committee) although at times that figure had been difficult to achieve.</p>	<b>AH</b>
<b><u>12/10 YOUTH PROJECTS:</u></b>	Cllrs Ellis reported the youth team had met a couple of times and members of the public were showing interest and providing an input. The strong opinion was to have a youth centre again; to find a venue and make it sustainable. An open evening to attract interest from the youth had been planned on New Years' Eve between 4.30pm and 7.30pm at the Little Lunchbox.	<b>KE/ LB</b>

	<p>Cllr King would send information on the basketball hoop to the Clerk. Other activities included a youth film night. The planned Christmas disco had been postponed due to the increase in Covid cases and would be rearranged for a date in February.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Mundy would present an item at the January Full Council on the wider subject of isolation amongst the community.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Dalrymple reported that some local children were receiving gifts for Christmas through the Pewsey Relief in Need charity.</p>	<p>RK</p> <p>KE LM</p>
<b><u>12/11 WHEELED SPORTS:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Mrs Hunt reported the acoustic consultant had been able to make contact with a Wiltshire Council officer who was prepared to review the reports. She and Cllr Smithers had met with Canvas who had prepared the original design, to look at the possibilities at Broomcroft Road. They had agreed to prepare a concept scheme free of charge that could be shared to gauge enthusiasm.</p>	
<b><u>12/12 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Ann Hogg would no longer be the Council representative; a new volunteer would be welcomed from February onwards.</p> <p>Cllr Haskell confirmed the current position was that the Police and Crime Commissioner had agreed to enter into a contract of sale with the CLT at an independent value of £340,000, subject to a deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022. Mrs Wilson advised they were in the process of securing funding for feasibility and design work and confirmed that Greensquare were fully engaged with the project.</p> <p>Additionally, the CLT had no funding left of its own and had asked the Parish Council to consider a loan of £2,500 per annum for a maximum of two years. Cllr Haskell proposed that this be granted upon the provision of a loan document, seconded Cllr Morris, 17 for, 1 abstention.</p>	
<b><u>12/13 PEWSEY COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP:</u></b>	<p>The Parish Council needed to cost the exact bus shelter that was required on A345 and present to CATG. The Council would also need to accept future responsibility.</p> <p>The A345 traffic survey by the railway bridge had been completed and closed as the results did not meet the criteria.</p> <p>White lining had been completed at Old Hospital Road.</p> <p>A member of the public had raised a speeding issue at Woodborough Road, it was agreed that a traffic survey be requested.</p>	<p>AK</p>
<b><u>12/14 CLIMATE CHANGE:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Ellis and Cllr Mrs Hunt had attended an online training day organised by the Wiltshire Council climate alliance. Its main aim was to advise how to make a climate change plan. Cllr Ellis would establish a small working group and put together an action plan. Cllr Kerry Pycroft was assisting with the environmental toolkit and mapping of the parish. The flood plan, emergency response plan and biodiversity considerations would all be part of the strategy. Cllr Mrs Mundy advised that a lot of landowners already had their own projects started.</p> <p>Cllr Haskell had spoken with the chairman of Wiltshire Wildlife Trust about the planting of trees to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee at Jones' Mill. WWT were already in the process of employing a consultant to produce a management plan and the council's support would be accepted. Cllr Judy Kunkler had received enquiries from parishioners who wished to plant trees in memory of loved ones.</p>	<p>KE KP</p> <p>CH JK</p>
<b><u>12/15 WILCOT ROAD PARKING RESTRICTIONS:</u></b>	<p>A request from a member of the public had been received to consider a residents' parking permit scheme at Wilcot Road which was a follow on from the implementation of the one-way system some years ago. Cllr Kunkler advised that a Traffic Regulation Order would be needed and asked who would be responsible for enforcement. The request would need further investigation.</p>	<p>AK</p>

<b><u>12/17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:</u></b>	A member of the public asked if there were plans to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Cllr Haskell advised them that the Parish Council were involved with plans being made by the Coopers pub with a first meeting to be held in January.	
<b><u>12/18 ITEMS VIA THE CLERK:</u></b>	The Clerk would put information on the website and Facebook pages about the upcoming planning inquiry.	<b>AK</b>

There being no further business the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.09pm.

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