

**PEWSEY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD AT THE BOUVERIE HALL ON 8<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2022 at 7.00pm**

<b><u>PRESENT:</u></b>	Cllr Haskell (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs Brindley, Mrs Dalrymple, Ellis, Mrs Hunt, Judy Kunkler, Mrs Mundy, Kerry Pycroft, Mrs Stevens, Mrs Turner, Cllrs Giles, McGarry and Morris.
<b><u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u></b>	Alison Kent (Clerk), Cllr Kunkler, Mrs Wilson and members of the public.
<b><u>2/1 APOLOGIES:</u></b>	Cllrs Mrs Cobbing, Mrs Humfress, Mrs Pullen, Cllrs Ford, Garrett, King and Smithers.
<b><u>2/2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:</u></b>	Cllr Haskell on item 8 (b).
<b><u>2/3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:</u></b>	<p>The Chairman announced the sad passing of former Cllr Fleming's wife after a long battle with cancer. He had sent condolences on behalf of the council with a memorial service taking place on 18<sup>th</sup> February at St. John's church. He had also been made aware that Rev Deborah Larkey would be leaving the area soon.</p> <p>Cllr Haskell confirmed that the transfer of two areas of amenity land and the River Walk at Whatley Drive had been completed. With this came added responsibility and S.106 monies towards maintenance. He would arrange a meeting with Cllrs Ford, McGarry and the Residents Committee upon his return from holiday.</p> <p>The monthly article for the Messenger was with Cllr Mrs Stevens and could be amended if necessary with an update on youth projects to be included in the April article.</p> <p>It had just been learnt that Spire had had their appeal dismissed for Haybrook Rise. The Planning Inspectorate had highlighted policies of the Core Strategy, the Neighbourhood Development Plan and being sited within an area of outstanding natural beauty as reasons for its dismissal.</p> <p>The result of the Wilcot Road application was expected by 9<sup>th</sup> March.</p>
<b><u>2/4 UNITARY COUNCILLOR:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Kunkler advised the next Area Board would be held on 28<sup>th</sup> February in either Woodborough or Burbage.</p> <p>He paid tribute to Cllr Mrs Hunt for her work on the Wilcot Road appeal with Peter Deck and welcomed the result on Haybrook Rise. The Overview &amp; Scrutiny committee would consider the setting of the budget next week and the Business Plan should also be passed. The proposal was for a 1.99% and 1% adult and social care levy, meaning an increase on band D of £91 per annum. This did not include any increases to the police and fire precepts.</p> <p>There would be increases to car parking charges and an introduction of charges for blue disabled badges. A different way of running the lunch clubs across the county would be looked at to even them out. The last CATG, in its present format, would be held the following day with the aim to reduce the level of funding on top end of grants and put more money back into highways and footpaths.</p> <p>Cllr Haskell asked about the recent media story that Wiltshire Council hoped to save £10m on staff costs but without redundancies. Cllr Kunkler advised that anyone who had left had not been replaced, apart from essential staff. Many people continued to work from home.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Mundy asked for an update on Sunnyhill Lane, Cllr Kunkler would speak with the new Highways Engineer.</p>
<b><u>2/5 POLICE MATTERS:</u></b>	Cllr Haskell's letter to the Police and Crime Commissioner had been circulated to all members and had been acknowledged. He read it out for the benefit of the members of the public who were present. Cllr Morris commented that Devizes Town Council had written saying they strongly disagreed with the proposed increased in precept.

	<p>Cllr Morris proposed that if an adequate response had not been received by the time of the Area Board, the Council should share with local media, seconded Cllr McGarry, 12 for, 1 abstention. Speedwatch: Cllr Mrs Humfress was not present to report.</p>	
<b><u>2/6 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:</u></b>	<p>All being in agreement, the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January were signed as a true record, by the Chairman.</p>	
<b><u>2/7 ADOPTION OF MINUTES SINCE LAST MEETING:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Mrs Hunt proposed acceptance of the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, seconded Cllr Morris, all in favour.</p> <p>Cllr McGarry proposed acceptance of the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> December, seconded Cllr Morris, all in favour.</p>	
<b><u>2/8 FINANCE:</u></b>	<p>a) Balance in Current account £80,643.35 Instant Reserve account £46,751.85, Lloyds Business Account £60,741.00, Nationwide Savings Account £85,168.52, Cambridge Building Society £85,000.00, Unity Trust Savings Account £85,000.</p> <p>The funds from Wiltshire Council for Whatley Drive would be received imminently.</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>2/9 ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS AND REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Haskell and the Clerk had reviewed the Standing Orders with the amendments circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Haskell proposed them for adoption, seconded Cllr Morris, all in favour.</p> <p>The Clerk reminded the Chairs to review the Committee Terms of Reference.</p>	<p>MH LS JF</p>
<b><u>2/10 YOUTH PROJECTS:</u></b>	<p>Informal notes and a report from Cllr Ellis had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Kunkler hoped that the Blue Bus, supplied with a youth worker, could visit Pewsey in the coming weeks. Community First (Youth Action Wiltshire) continued to engage with the young people and their families and would also assist with training and relevant checks. The rescheduled disco would take place on 25<sup>th</sup> February. Applications would be to the Local Youth Network as projects progressed.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Stevens asked how much the bus sessions cost, Cllr Ellis confirmed it was £400 with initial funding coming from the LYN once availability and outcome was known. Various ideas would be tried to see what does and does not work locally. Cllr Haskell was very pleased with progress however, he asked for social media posts to be carefully worded, ensuring that events could be delivered. An exit policy would need to be in place if the former police station was used.</p> <p>Mrs Wilson advised that if LYN funding was to be applied for, do it once rather than piecemeal as it was easier in the long run.</p>	
<b><u>2/11 WHEELED SPORTS:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Mrs Hunt advised that the acoustic report had been received and the Wiltshire Council Environmental Health officer had agreed to review the original report by MACH. It was anticipated that no one at Wiltshire Council would be entirely able to agree with the view of the Parish Councils' consultant. The Campus and Broomcroft Road remained the only potential sites. The consultant had visited other parks in Bath and Bristol as well as pump tracks which had a tarmac, rather than concrete, surface. The use of rails and the board base hitting something hard makes the noise so more curves and concrete construction would be considered.</p>	

