

PEWSEY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE PARISH OFFICE ON 13th JUNE 2023 at 7.00pm

<u>PRESENT:</u>	Cllr Mrs Stevens (Chair), Cllrs Mrs Brindley, Ms Durnford, Mrs Hunt, Judy Kunkler, Suzanne McGarry, Mrs Mundy, Kerry Pycroft, Mrs Sharpe, Cllrs Giles, Smithers and Stythe.
<u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u>	Alison Kent (Clerk), Cllr Kunkler (Wiltshire Council) and Mrs Wilson (PCAP).
<u>6/1 APOLOGIES:</u>	Cllr Mrs Humfress and Cllr Ford.
<u>6/2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:</u>	Cllr Kerry Pycroft on item 9 (b) and Cllr Mrs Sharpe on item 10.
<u>6/3 CHAIR'S UPDATE:</u>	The Chair had nothing to report in addition to the agenda items.
<u>6/4 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR:</u>	The post would remain open as no nominations had been received.
<u>6/5 UNITARY COUNCILLOR:</u>	Cllr Kunkler thanked the Parish Council for its gift celebrating his 40 years' service as a Councillor for Pewsey. The last Area Board had been held at Woodborough Social Club and he had been re-elected as Chair, Cllr Oatway as Vice-Chair. There had been a presentation from the electricity company about ways to deal with a power cut, contacting emergency numbers and potential help with the current cost of living crisis. A grant had been awarded for the Carnival lighting. The next Area Board would be held at Great Bedwyn on 18 th September with the meeting dedicated to the new Chief Constable. LHFIG would be meeting on 26 th July with no issues or projects from Pewsey. Cllr Kunkler had intimated to Highways officers that he was not impressed by the state of the roads in this part of the county and was also keeping an eye on the parish steward. Any request for a Community Governance Review needed to be submitted by the end of June. The Clerk explained how this was the process to go through to make changes such as number of members, warding and boundary changes. Cllr Giles advised this discussion had been raised previously and it was agreed not to proceed.
<u>6/6 POLICE MATTERS:</u>	There were no police matters to discuss. Cllr Mrs Brindley had raised some issues at the Area Board and it was hoped that attendance to parish council meetings would recommence, at least once a year. Cllr Mrs Sharpe had watched the recent online catch up meeting but had nothing to report back. Speedwatch: Cllr Mrs Humfress not present to report. LH
<u>6/7 ADOPTION OF MINUTES HELD SINCE LAST FULL COUNCIL:</u>	Planning: 19 th April, proposed Cllr Mrs Hunt, seconded Cllr Mrs Mundy, all in favour. FSM: 2 nd November, proposed Cllr Mrs Stevens, seconded Cllr Kerry Pycroft, 9 for, 3 abstentions. Environment: 5 th April, proposed Cllr Judy Kunkler, seconded Cllr Mrs Hunt, all in favour.
<u>6/8 APPROVAL OF THE LAST MINUTES:</u>	All being in agreement, the minutes of the meeting held on 9 th May were signed as a true record.
<u>6/9 FINANCE:</u>	a) Balance in Current account £122,009.25 Instant Reserve account £82,055.09, Lloyds Business Account £644.48, Lloyds Business Savings Account £80,234.59, Nationwide Savings Account £87,076.39, Cambridge Building Society £85,394.95, Unity Trust Savings Account £86,279.40. b) Payments, with the exception of the IdVerde invoice which was in dispute, were proposed for approval by Cllr Mrs Stevens, seconded Cllr Judy Kunkler, all in favour. c) Anflex Security Ltd - a quotation had been received from the existing company to upgrade the CCTV systems as the original system

	<p>was beyond repair. This would be for a new 16 channel box and 4 x HD cameras at the Bouverie Hall and public toilets, proposed acceptance by Cllr Mrs Stevens, seconded Cllr Judy Kunkler, all in favour. Additionally, 2 x new cameras for North Street to link in with the new system, proposed by Cllrs Mrs Stevens, seconded Cllr Mrs Sharpe, all in favour.</p> <p>d) Petty Cash - opening balance £75.91, less gift £25.00, materials £15.12, totalling £40.12, leaving £35.79.</p>	
<u>6/10 CO-OPTION OF FIVE COUNCILLORS:</u>	One application had been received and was proposed by Cllr Mrs Mundy, seconded Cllr Mrs Hunt, all in favour.	
<u>6/11 YOUTH PROJECTS:</u>	<p>Cllr Mrs Brindley reported the recent event held by Community First had been a great success and well attended. She had met with Cllr Mrs Stevens, Mrs Wilson and the Clerk to discuss the opening of the pilot scheme Youth Café space at the Campus which would start in late September. Five volunteers had already offered to help, with any required training and safeguarding checks available through Community First. She would meet with the Community Engagement Manager later in the month to finalise the project.</p> <p>The open-air cinema event would take place on 24th June at The Coopers. She and Cllr Ms Durnford were hoping to re-engage with Pewsey Vale School as there had been no contact for a while.</p>	LB/ RK/ HD
<u>6/12 WHEELED SPORTS:</u>	Cllr Smithers advised that he, Cllr Mrs Hunt and the Clerk had met with Velo and reviewed the online survey. 16 people had provided feedback, with Option 2 being the preferred one. The final design was due next week along with a planning pack for review. It was hoped to submit the planning application by the end of June.	MS
<u>6/13 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST:</u>	<p>Cllr Mrs Mundy circulated a report. Some concern from neighbours about the proposed three storeys had been raised, although the properties opposite were also three storeys. Comments could be made during the Regulation 14 and 16 process under the Community Right to Build order. There was a difference with a right to a view as oppose to a right to light. Building two storey properties was not cost effective and not all the land could be utilised in order to mitigate any flood risk.</p> <p>Community consultation and discussion on the plans would continue until the final set was agreed, hopefully by the end of the year. Complaints about the current state of the grass and wall had been received. The grass would be cut and the pillar had been removed for safety reasons but would be made smart in time for Carnival. The wider remit was to provide affordable housing for local people.</p>	LM
<u>6/14 WEBSITE/ COMMUNICATIONS:</u>	Cllr Mrs Mundy had circulated the link to the draft website which was a framework only and would need populating. The project, and communications working group overall, needed to be reinvigorated. Cllr Mrs Sharpe volunteered to assist and Cllr Mundy would lead the first meeting and progress from there.	LM/ SM/ KP/ GS
<u>6/15 EVENTS WORKING GROUP:</u>	<p>Cllr Mrs Brindley was looking to hold a small-scale community coffee morning in October and would look for help from as many Cllrs as possible.</p> <p>The Carnival Committee had sought for permission to use Rectory Grove as part of the off-road wine event on 16th September, Cllr Mrs Stevens proposed approval, seconded Cllr Giles, all in favour. Cllr Suzanne McGarry asked members to consider some sort of thank you to the volunteers as it was the 125th year of Carnival.</p>	LB/ LH/ LS
<u>6/16 MARKET TOWNS PROGRAMME:</u>	Cllr Mrs Hunt advised the Heritage Trail app, to encourage tourism, had been launched as a trial project but would not include Pewsey at this time. She reported the Market Towns grant money had been received, of which part was to improve signage around the village.	MH

	Mr Dawson had designed a draft sign which was circulated for consideration on what should be added. The purpose was for use by visitors so retail areas should be identified as well as areas of historical and environmental interest.	
<u>6/17 CORRESPONDENCE:</u>	The Clerk advised a Freedom of Interest request had been received from a resident about the grounds maintenance contract which had been circulated to the Chair of Council, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Environment Committee for information. A detailed response would take time to compose.	
<u>6/18 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:</u>	Mrs Wilson advised that the on demand responsive bus service hoped to launch on 3 rd August but was not yet confirmed. It would be a bookable service with connections to Devizes, Marlborough and Upavon. Senior bus cards could be used and pick-ups from home addresses for users with mobility issues or regular users would be allowed. Routes would be redesigned based on usage and would also take into account rail service delays. Following recent resignations, she sought a new representative from Pewsey Parish Council for the Pewsey Vale Rail Users Group as there were some important issues to consider, particularly the current review of the type of service being offered at Pewsey which could impact on fast service trains. The new Cllr would be asked to attend.	
<u>6/19 ITEMS VIA THE CLERK:</u>	The Clerk advised the structural survey for the cemetery Lytchgate and wall had been received and sent to two contractors and the conservation officer.	

There being no further business the Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.24pm.

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