

**PEWSEY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD IN THE PARISH OFFICE ON 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024 at 7.00pm**

<b><u>PRESENT:</u></b>	Cllr Mrs Stevens (Chair), Mrs Brindley, Ms Durnford, Mrs Humfress, Mrs Hunt, Judy Kunkler, Mrs Mann, Mrs Mundy, Mrs Sharpe, Cllrs Ford, Giles, Marshall, Mulji and Stevens.
<b><u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u></b>	Alison Kent (Clerk), Cllr Kunkler (Wiltshire Council) and a member of the public.
<b><u>9/1 APOLOGIES:</u></b>	Cllr Kerry Pycroft, Cllrs Sharpe and Smithers.
<b><u>9/2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:</u></b>	Cllrs Judy Kunkler, Mrs Stevens and Cllr Stevens on item 7 (b) payments.
<b><u>9/3 CHAIR'S UPDATE:</u></b>	The Chair welcomed back Cllr Mrs Hunt from her sabbatical and welcomed Cllr Mrs Mann to her first Full Council meeting. She had attended the youth event held on 23 <sup>rd</sup> August which had been very enjoyable as well as the launch of the new gallery that day, Made in Pewsey Vale showcasing historical Pewsey Carnival posters. A few members and the Clerk had already received an anti-hunt email which had been responded to.
<b><u>9/4 UNITARY COUNCILLOR:</u></b>	Cllr Kunkler had little to report. The next Area Board would be held on 23 <sup>rd</sup> September at Woodborough and would be dedicated to the Kennet and Avon Medical Partnership and health matters. The next LHFIG was scheduled for 29 <sup>th</sup> October. The recent highways work to Wilcot Road had been completed, apart from a section by the Crown which had caused concern due to safety of their wall, the replacement of the bollards and installation of the new planter. It was a job done well. He reported that a few planning applications were on hold due to nutrient and phosphorous mitigation credit requirements which was very technical. He was looking into on behalf of applicants. Cllr Mrs Hunt asked Cllr Kunkler to thank the contractors on Wilcot Road who had been very helpful during the road closures.
<b><u>9/5 POLICE MATTERS:</u></b>	No police report had been received. Speedwatch: Cllr Mrs Humfress was pleased to advise the group had 10 volunteers with 3 more being trained this week. She was in the process of putting a rota together.
<b><u>9/6 APPROVAL OF THE LAST MINUTES:</u></b>	Cllr Stevens proposed the minutes of the meeting held on 13 <sup>th</sup> August and were signed as a true record, seconded Cllr Mrs Humfress, all in favour.
<b><u>9/7 FINANCE:</u></b>	a) Balance in Current account £32,013.38 Instant Reserve account £42,841.23, Lloyds Business Account £7,038.84, Lloyds Business Savings Account £31,134.62, Nationwide Savings Account £91,325.91, Cambridge Building Society £47,030.09, Unity Trust Savings Account £88,810.47. b) Payments were proposed for approval by Cllr Ford, seconded Cllr Mulji, all in favour. c) A quotation had been received from Mr Edwards to construct new stationery cupboards in the Parish Office for £1,750. This was proposed for acceptance by Cllr Sharpe, seconded Cllr Ford, all in favour. d) Petty Cash - opening balance £0.54, no expenditure, leaving £0.54 cash in hand. e) Ratification of Financial Regulations - with minor amendments, Cllr Mulji proposed approval, seconded Cllr Mrs Hunt, 13 for with Cllr Ford abstaining as he had not had opportunity to read them.
<b><u>9/8 CO-OPTION OF FOUR COUNCILLORS:</u></b>	An application had been received and considered by the Council. The co-option of Mr Purcell was proposed by Cllr Mulji, seconded Cllr Stevens, all in favour. Mr Purcell signed the Declaration of Acceptance form and joined the meeting.

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<p><b><u>9/9 PLANNING:</u></b></p>	<p>Decisions: To report at the next Planning Committee meeting.</p> <p>Applications:</p> <p>i) PL/2024/07794 NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED WORKS TO TREES IN A CONSERVATION AREA Oak tree - 40% crown reduction at 27 Raffin Lane, Pewsey. No objection proposed Cllr Stevens, seconded Cllr Mrs Stevens, all in favour.</p> <p>(ii) PL/2024/07863 NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED WORKS TO TREES IN A CONSERVATION AREA T1 - Alder, fell; T2 - Eucalyptus, fell; T3 - Fir, prune back limbs overhanging neighbour's garden at The White House, Swan Road, Pewsey. No objection, proposed by Cllr Giles, seconded Cllr Judy Kunkler, all in favour.</p> <p>iii) PL/2024/01556 FULL PLANNING PERMISSION AMENDED PLANS for demolition of existing single storey police station, bus shelter/storage and outbuildings. Redevelopment as 8 no. affordable housing units to include adaptation of former police office to a 3-bed house and 7 flats. Provision of replacement bus shelter, carparking, bicycle and bin storage and landscaping works to public realm at Wiltshire Police, Market Place, Pewsey. We support this application, proposed by Cllr Ford, seconded Cllr Mrs Humfress, all in favour.</p> <p>The nomination for Ball Farm to be listed as an asset of community value had been received from Wiltshire Council. The agent's website stated the land had been sold so it would remain to be seen what would happen.</p> <p>National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) - Cllr Mrs Mundy had circulated a response to the consultation to all members, Cllr Ford proposed acceptance, seconded Cllr Stevens, 12 for, 3 abstentions. She would not comment on the draft Gypsies and Travellers Development Plan as no sites had been proposed close to Pewsey.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Development Plan - Cllr Mrs Hunt suggested the NDP should be added to the Full Council agenda. She had hoped the review would have been completed by now, but it was no further forward, and she held no confidence that it would be by the end of the year, or even by the local elections next May. IA Parish Council contact name must be provided, which Cllr Mrs Mundy and Cllr Mrs Sharpe would agree to should they remain in office in May. The review of the NPPF and subsequent Local Plan may affect the housing requirement calculations.</p>	
<p><b><u>9/10 YOUTH PROJECTS:</u></b></p>	<p>Cllr Mrs Brindley was not present to report.</p>	<p><b>LB</b></p>
<p><b><u>9/11 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST:</u></b></p>	<p>Cllr Mrs Mundy stated the amended planning application had already been discussed. Everything seemed to be on hold whilst the decision was outstanding. The letter from the CLT raising the issue of the outstanding loan and Memorandum of Understanding would be answered, noting the new financial regulation requirement to obtain a valuation of any asset being considered for sale or lease. Cllr Mrs Stevens felt the loan should not be written off and would refer to this in the Council's response. Cllr Mrs Mundy explained the approval of the plans would allow for access to grant funding which would allow the loan to be repaid.</p>	<p><b>LM</b></p> <p><b>LS</b></p>
<p><b><u>9/12 COMMUNICATIONS WORKING GROUP:</u></b></p>	<p>Cllr Mrs Sharpe would arrange a meeting in due course. Cllr Mulji was working on the website and updating the details of community organisations.</p>	<p><b>GS/</b></p> <p><b>LM/</b></p> <p><b>KP/</b></p> <p><b>KM</b></p>
<p><b><u>9/13 EVENTS WORKING GROUP:</u></b></p>	<p>Cllr Mrs Humfress had little to report. Cllr Mulji had spoken with Pewsey Vale School about involvement with the VEDay concert and would respond in due course. Cllr Mrs Stevens would find a nice space to plant a commemorative tree.</p>	<p><b>KM/</b></p> <p><b>LH/</b></p> <p><b>LS</b></p>

	<p>Cllr Mrs Humfress had spoken to the Clerk about the community day which was booked for 25<sup>th</sup> March at the Bouverie Hall.</p> <p>The group was still pursuing a beacon or new brazier site, Cllr Giles said they were very expensive. Cllr Judy Kunkler advised a lot of villages had them on their village greens. Other ideas would be considered.</p>	
<b><u>9/14 MARKET TOWNS PROGRAMME:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Mrs Hunt reported that she needed to meet with Cllr Sharpe and Cllr Mrs Humfress to look at the status of the current grant. Cllr Stevens advised the paperwork for the painting of the Market Place railings had not been order so he had postponed the work until after the carnival period. He would also look at repairs for the railings by the garage and the listed ones by The Rectory.</p> <p>Cllr Mulji had been asked to take on the responsibility of promoting the Tuesday Outdoor market. Cllr Ford and Cllr Mrs Hunt had previously spoken with stallholders at Devizes market and there appeared to be little interest. The Royal Oak was holding a small market on a monthly basis on a Saturday.</p>	<p>MH/ LH/ PSh</p> <p>PSt</p> <p>KM</p>
<b><u>9/15 PLAY AREAS:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Stevens advised the safety surface at Aston Close needed to be replaced and had sought quotations. Cllr Mulji proposed acceptance of the quote from SJ Aplin, seconded Cllr Mrs Sharpe, all in favour.</p> <p>Cllr Ms Durnford had viewed the outdoor table tennis table at Upavon, the Clerk would enquire about usage. Cllr Stevens would obtain quotes for ground levelling and installation to enable a decision to be made.</p>	<p>AK/ PSt</p>
<b><u>9/16 FLOOD WORKING GROUP:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Sharpe was not present to report. The Clerk advised that lots of work was taking place on producing a flood plan and resident information.</p>	<p>PSh</p>
<b><u>9/17 BIKE STAND:</u></b>	<p>Cllr Judy Kunkler advised that the original stand had various parts gone missing and a new replacement would soon be installed. She asked whether the existing stand could be used near the Pump Track. Cllr Stevens would look to see if it could be repaired.</p>	<p>PSt</p>
<b><u>9/18 CORRESPONDENCE:</u></b>	<p>The Clerk had received a request from a resident of Phoenix Square to extend the double yellow lines further into the development due to concerns on restrictive access. Cllr Jerry Kunkler suggested a request be made to LHFIG for white lines which were inexpensive due to not requiring a traffic regulation order, this may solve the problem, but potentially move it elsewhere.</p> <p>The annual request from Carnival Committee for a donation towards the clean-up costs had been received. The Parish Council normally donated £1,000, proposed by Cllrs Mrs Stevens, seconded Cllr Ford, all in favour.</p>	<p>AK</p>
<b><u>9/19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:</u></b>	<p>None.</p>	
<b><u>9/20 ITEMS VIA THE CLERK:</u></b>	<p>Messenger articles to be sent to Cllr Mulji.</p>	

There being no further business, the Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.21pm.

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