

PEWSEY PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD IN THE PARISH OFFICE, BOUVERIE HALL, PEWSEY
ON 10th DECEMBER 2019 at 7.00pm**

<u>PRESENT:</u>	Cllr Smith (Vice-Chairman), Cllrs Mrs Carmichael-Owen, Mrs Dalrymple, Ann Hogg, Kerry Pycroft, Mrs Saunders, Mrs Stevens, Cllrs Carder, Deck, Del Mar, Eyles, Giles, McGarry and Morris.	
<u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u>	Alison Kent (Clerk) and members of the public.	
<u>12/1 APOLOGIES:</u>	Cllr Mrs Hunt, Cllrs Ford, Hagan, Haskell and Stevens. Apologies had also been received from Cllr Kunkler.	
<u>12/2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:</u>	Cllrs Mrs Carmichael-Owen, Kerry Pycroft, Mrs Saunders, Cllrs Morris and Smith on item 17 and would not speak or vote.	
<u>12/3 VICE-CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:</u>	<p>Cllr Smith read out the Chairman's report in which he thanked those members who had covered administrative tasks during the Clerk's absence which had made it much easier for her to get back into the role. He thanked those who had attended the recent Hustings event, particularly Cllrs Deck and Eyles.</p> <p>He had attended a meeting on 13th November at the Bowls Club with Cllr Deck to discuss a potential CCTV partnership with the Football Club.</p> <p>On 14th November a presentation had been made to the Governors at Pewsey Vale School on wheeled sports provision, the next Full Governors meeting would take place on 12th December.</p> <p>Numerous meetings on Service Devolution and Asset Transfer had taken place and an email had been circulated for consideration on 23rd November.</p> <p>For those not attending the meeting or meal on 18th December, he extended his wishes for a Happy Christmas and healthy and prosperous New Year.</p> <p>Cllr Smith advised that he had attended the WALC meeting held on 4th December. A presentation was given on Service Devolution and Asset Transfer aimed at those councils who had not yet thought about it. It had been agreed that HR services would be provided by NALC at no extra cost to councils.</p>	
<u>12/4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS</u>	A member of the public asked that the council consider giving approval at some point for the building of a bus shelter and seating at the area by Fordbrook Industrial Estate. This would be at no cost and undertaken by Pewsey Vale School.	
<u>12/5 POLICE REPORT:</u>	The monthly police report had been circulated to all members. Cllr Eyles asked for a recent daytime incident in the Scotchel to be reported to the police.	AK
<u>12/6 UNITARY COUNCILLOR:</u>	<p>Cllr Kunkler was not present but had provided a written update. The next Area Board meeting would be held in March with the Joint Strategic Assessment theme as its main business. A meeting would be held at the police HQ for the Safe Places scheme on 14th January at 10am.</p> <p>He provided some very useful statistics for the Campus which had now been open for just over a year and thanked everyone for their continuous support.</p>	
<u>12/7 ADOPTION OF MINUTES SIGNED SINCE LAST MEETING:</u>	<p>Cllr Deck proposed acceptance of the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 23rd October as a true record, seconded Cllr Carder, all in favour, no questions.</p> <p>Cllr Eyles proposed acceptance of the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 2nd October as a true record, seconded Cllr Morris, all in favour, no questions.</p> <p>Cllr Mrs Stevens proposed acceptance of the minutes of the FSM Committee meeting held on 17th July as a true record, seconded Cllr</p>	

	Morris, all in favour, no questions.	
<u>12/8 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:</u>	All being in agreement, the minutes of the meeting held on 12 th November were signed as a true record, by the Vice-Chairman.	
<u>12/9 FINANCE:</u>	a) Balance in Current account £27,527.36 Instant Reserve account £90,340.16 and Lloyds Business Account £60,903.00. b) Payments for approval were proposed by Cllr Mrs Stevens, seconded Cllr Carder, all in favour. c) There were no quotations for acceptance. d) Petty Cash - opening balance £216.54, less expenditure since last meeting; consumables £3.63, diary £3.00, paper £4.50; totalling £11.13, leaving cash in hand £205.41.	
<u>12/10 SERVICE DEVOLUTION AND ASSET TRANSFER:</u>	Cllr Ann Hogg had circulated her report. She had prepared a yellow folder which contained all the legal titles for the proposed asset transfer, plans and a schedule of those assets to be transferred and simple title plans. Also, larger village plans with highlighted orange areas of what is being transferred. This folder was not to be removed from the office. Members would be emailed with the schedule and plans for people to have. Cllr Smith expressed his grateful thanks from the council to her for all the hard work that had been done to produce this document. The Parish Council team would meet on 16 th December and then with Wiltshire Council and all legal representatives on 18 th December. Draft budget figures would be circulated to each member prior to the Christmas break, followed by an Extraordinary meeting on 8 th January to agree the precept, followed by ratification at Full Council on 14 th January.	
<u>12/11 COMMUNITY LAND TRUST:</u>	Cllr Del Mar advised that the Community Land Trust was now a legal entity with its AGM being held on 13 th February in the Bouverie Hall.	
<u>12/12 CLIMATE EMERGENCY:</u>	There was nothing to report. Cllr Mrs Dalrymple and Cllr Smith had raised the issue at a recent Pewsey Vale School Governors meeting with them giving support and wanting to become more involved with projects. Also there was interest from the school council in attending Full Council meetings.	
<u>12/13 YOUTH PROVISION LOCAL YOUTH NETWORK:</u>	The clerk reminded members of the youth Moviola on 14 th December which was being fully publicised, although ticket sales were slow.	
<u>12/14 PEWSEY VALE RAIL USERS GROUP:</u>	Cllr Mrs Saunders had attended the meeting held on 6 th December in the absence of Cllr Morris. Answers to several questions on ticketing were still awaited from GWR. Details of cancelled trains that didn't stop at Pewsey when they needed to make up time would be passed to Cllr Kunkler. It had been noted that cheap advance fares were difficult to find and book online. There was no news on whether the station master would be replaced as he was retiring on Friday. New signage had been installed but there was little progress on lighting the pedestrian path from Wilcot Road. The disabled access bridge would be done but there was a long waiting list. The new train timetable shows the new station hours being from 7am, however with no station master split tickets would not be available from the machine and this could impact early commuters. Commuters wishing to travel to Bristol or Bath still find it impossible to do so. GWR would not consider offering a service unless it was shown to be needed. Wiltshire Council did not seem to be motivated to conduct a user survey and it was suggested that the Pewsey Community Area Partnership could be supported to undertake one.	
<u>12/15 COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW:</u>	Cllr Ann Hogg and Deck had attended a meeting with Cllr Clewer and Wiltshire Council officers at County Hall on 4 th December to discuss	

	<p>the governance review. Three suggestions had been made; to adjust the boundary at Sunnyhill Lane, the boundary between Sharcott East and Sharcott West and the requirement for wards in Pewsey. They were asked whether there was any particular local view but were not able to know what the adjacent parish councils had said. Oare and Manningford Parish Councils did not wish to proceed so the only thing under consideration was warding. Both Cllrs gave their views on why it was no longer necessary, particularly when co-opting new members. Wiltshire Council would consider these comments.</p>	
<u>12/16 WILTSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS:</u>	<p>Already made in Vice-Chairman's report.</p>	
<u>12/17 ADOPTION OF ALLOTMENT REGULATIONS:</u>	<p>Amended regulations had been circulated following discussion at the recent Environment Committee meeting. Cllr Eyles proposed the adoption of the regulations, seconded Cllr Deck, all in favour.</p>	
<u>12/18 PARISH DEFIBRILLATORS:</u>	<p>Following his regular checks of the parish's 8 defibrillators, Cllr McGarry had found that 4 had flat batteries. There had been a similar problem last year and it seemed there was an issue with the batteries not liking the colder weather. They were well within their date. He had made contact with Community Heartbeat who advised that it was their intention to replace all the defibrillators at their expense in due course.</p> <p>The replacement of pads was a regular thing although he had questioned why pads would expire as he had not come across this before. It might be more cost effective to check the conductivity rather than replace them, but he would investigate this further. 7 defibrillators were now available with the one at Pewsey Metals not presently in situ.</p> <p>Cllr Eyles asked whether another training session could be arranged, Cllr McGarry would give it some thought.</p>	DM
<u>12/19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:</u>	<p>A member of the public asked whether there was an update on the possible new speed device, Cllr Morris replied that the police had not yet provided an answer.</p> <p>A member of the public suggested that it was important for members of the public to be given more detail on finances at these meetings. Cllr Carder advised that information was always readily available in the parish office and that the public could attend FSM committee meetings as long as the Clerk was informed.</p>	
<u>12/20 CORRESPONDENCE:</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. WC - S.51 Licensing Act 2003 review application for the Tale of Spice. Cllr Deck explained why this had been received and that he had spoken with Cllr Kunkler who would be attending the meeting. The Parish Council was able to comment as a responsible authority by the 18th December. Cllr Deck proposed a brief statement be sent on the business providing a good service to the community, seconded Cllr Morris, all in favour. 2. Pewsey Vale School - letter of thanks for donation. 3. Village Ranger - had asked the Parish Council what was expected of him during and bad winter weather, such as keeping paths, pavements and car parks clear of snow and ice. It was agreed to purchase a grit spreader to be stored in the PEAS store. There had been little support from Wiltshire Council during recent weather events and it was important for the parish council to be responsible for its own areas of land. There were a few generous members of the public who regularly helped in these situations but would not be able to cover the whole of the village. <p>Cllr Smith proposed that snow and ice clearance take place on parish land and other known problem points in the village to ensure the</p>	

	safety of the parishioners, seconded Cllr Deck, all in favour. Cllr Deck reported a large tree had fallen in the Grove onto the football pitch and damaged the fence; the Village Ranger had reacted very quickly for which he was grateful.	
<u>12/21 ITEMS VIA THE CLERK:</u>	None.	

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.00pm after thanking everyone for attending.

Signed..... Date.....