

PEOVER SUPERIOR PARISH COUNCIL

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Chairman - Chris Hurst
Vice Chairman - Kathy Doyle

Minutes of meeting held at 8.30pm on Tuesday 24th May 2016 at Over Peover Methodist Church.

Present: Chair of the meeting Chris Hurst (CH), Tracey Byerley (TB), Kathy Doyle (KD), John Caulfield (JC), Phil Welch (PW), Trevor Cornish (TC), George Walton (GW) and the Clerk.

Apologies for absence: Sheila Read, Jayne Rudd

Declarations of Interest in any agenda item: None

To approve the Minutes of the last Meeting on 31st March 2015. - Proposed by Chris Hurst and seconded by Kathy Doyle that they be signed as a true record.

To discuss matters arising, not already covered in the agenda -None

Chairman's Report:

This is the first report of the new council term and I'm pleased to have been elected as Chairman once more. I'd firstly like to thank my fellow councillors and our Parish clerk for all their hard work and support. There are some new faces on the council who have already made a strong contribution.

Patton Close -

It's great to welcome new residents to the village and to see Patton Close becoming occupied. It has been a difficult negotiation with Plus Dane Housing regarding the section 106 and the allocation of housing which hasn't favoured local residents as much as the PC would have liked. However after protracted communication the PC did make some headway.

Parish Field -

The additional play equipment and the Circuit fitness equipment have been successfully installed along with a further picnic table. They seem to be in regular use and I believe this has been a very successful project. Particular thanks should go to Kathy Doyle who spearheaded this work. Kathy's aspirations for the field go further and she is a long way down the path in terms of developing a wild flowers and willow walk project engaging our school in the process.

Maintenance and remedial work has been undertaken on the trees surrounding the field and our Parish Clerk is chasing down a drainage solution to deal with the accumulated water in the corner of the field.

Village Hall -

The Village Hall's own management committee run a programme of ongoing maintenance and the PC continue to make a financial contribution to the running of the Village Hall. Please do consider it if you are organising a small gathering or event. Bookings can be made through the Parish Clerk.

The Parish Council has continued to explore a number of possible alternate Village Hall locations with the support of both the Church and the WI. The Methodist Church have indicated there may be a possibility of using their church building.

Broadband -

Whilst much of the village now has access to superfast broadband a significant number still do not. Brian Glover Smith deserves recognition for the work he is doing to find a route forward. A number of meetings have taken place and plans are being drawn up for potential resolutions and sources of funding.

The Village's On-line Group of Digital Eagles have run a number of workshops around getting the most out of the internet and thanks should go to Radbroke Hall for their hospitality. Should you be interested in joining a workshop please contact Kathy Doyle or Phil Welch (contact details on the back page).

Our Parish Clerk has been active in coordinating a website upgrade and launching our own Facebook page, please do take a look and feel free to post and make comments.

We have found a solution funded by Colshaw Hall for our Christmas tree lights. After an electric power installation the tree should be a bit brighter this year.

The Parish Council continues to push for improvements in all areas of parish life. Looking ahead we hope to have an exterior mounted defibrillator placed outside the school.

If you have a suggestion for the Parish Council or would like to volunteer to help please contact either the Clerk or a member of the Council. All the contact details can be found on the notice boards around the village, on the newsletter or on the village website.

Finally a big thank you to all those who recently volunteered to litter pick. A staggering amount was collected and our Village is certainly better for a good clean up, we just need to keep it that way.

Once again it has been a great pleasure to Chair the Parish Council for another year.

The meeting agreed the report was to be sent out to every household in the Parish.

Presentation of Accounts

- **Parish Council Accounts 2015** - These had been previously approved and audited and were recommended to the meeting for approval.
Proposed by Kathy Doyle and Seconded by Tracey Read for approval by the meeting.
- **Educational foundation accounts 2015** - These were presented to the meeting and approved.
Proposed by Kathy Doyle and seconded by Phil Welch
- **Village Hall Accounts 2015** - These had been previously approved and audited and were recommended to the meeting for approval.
Proposed by Kathy Doyle and Seconded by John Caulfield for approval by the meeting.

Open Forum for Public Questions

None

Any Other Business - None

Meeting ended 8.55 p.m.

NEXT MEETING 8 PM ON 28th MARCH 2016 AT OVER PEOVER METHODIST