

PEOVER SUPERIOR PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of meeting held at 7.45pm on Tuesday 25th April 2017 at Over Peover Over Peover Village Hall, Stocks Lane.

Present: Chair of the meeting Chris Hurst (CH), Kathy Doyle (KD), Phil Welch (PW), John Hehir (JH), Shelia Read (SR), Jayne Rudd (JR), John Caulfield (JC) and George Walton (GW)

17.37 Parishioner's Question time

The Chairman welcomed the members of the public to the meeting and outlined how this public part of the meeting would proceed. He then opened the meeting to questions.

Mr Peter Harvey from Radbroke Hall was in attendance following a request from the Parish Council. The Chairman said the main concern was that of vehicles speeding through the village, and using their mobile phones. If the offenders were from Radbroke, could there be anything the bank could do?

Mr Harvey said that there had been a number of items on the Radbroke intranet reminding people about their driving and the use of mobile phones. The other thing Radbroke could look at was to stagger or limit the traffic leaving the Stocks Lane exit.

He reported that the site was hoping to have Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) installed on the entrance gates and a result of this would be that all car users on the site would have to register their vehicles. Therefore if the community speed watch team caught regular offenders the number plate could be checked against the bank's database and a conversation had with the offender. This was likely to be in place for the end of the year.

The two car entry on Stocks Lane will also be looked at to reduce congestion a peak times. However the Parish Council felt limiting exit at Stocks Lane could cause more serious issues for the A50 Exit.

To answer the issue of contractors parking off site, Peter reported that Barclays were looking at increasing the parking capacity on site as they are having a recruitment drive to take on more staff to reduce the numbers of outside contractors. They are looking to recruit up to 500 more staff. Therefore currently they are looking at the options for extending the parking on site. He will come back to a meeting in a few months to update the parish on what their plans are.

The concern about people walking from the Stocks Lane exit to parked cars on Rudd's site was discussed and there is little opportunity for footpaths due to objections from Highways. However the Clerk pointed out that there is access from Radbroke on to the Public Footpath that runs down Rudd's field and if pointed out to staff could be a safer way of accessing the Rudd's site. The Clerk is to email Mr Harvey with the footpath details and if possible a map and he will explore this option.

In conclusion Mr Harvey will explore the four issues discussed. These are

1. Speeding issues, especially around the school
2. Update on the recruitment and car parking
3. Use of existing public footpath
4. Two lane entry on Stocks Lane

Mr Hunter asked about what was happening regarding the Broadband. He had recently moved back to the area and was suffering very poor speeds making it impossible to run a business from his home on Grotto Lane. Kathy Doyle outlined that there were two schemes to try and reach the rest of the properties and there was a meeting tomorrow and he was welcome to attend. She will forward him the details.

There being no further questions or comments the Chairman closed the public section of the meeting.

17.39 Apologies for absence: none

17.40 To Fill the Vacancies on the Parish Council

Trevor Cornish's funeral will take place at 12o'clock on 2nd May at St Lawrence's Church.

The clerk read the biographies of those interested in filling the vacancy to the meeting. The meeting then had a series of secret ballots and Mr David Irlam was voted to be invited to join the Parish Council as a full voting member of the Parish Council. The meeting felt that the other candidates were strong and as such the meeting resolved to invite the other interested parties to join the Parish Council as non-voting members.

Personnel Committee - Trevor served on this committee, so a vacancy has arisen. The position cannot be taken by the Vice Chairperson. John Caulfield was appointed to join Chris Hurst and Jayne Rudd on this committee.

Education Foundation- Trevor also served on this committee, therefore a vacancy has arisen. Tracy Read opted to stay on the Education Foundation as the Parish Council representative so one more is needed. John Hehir was appointed to the Foundation.

17.41 Report from Knutsford Rural Policing The most recent report is online.

17.42 Declarations of interest - None

17.43 To approve the Minutes of the last Meeting on 28th March 2017. -the minutes were agreed and signed as a correct record.

17.44 To discuss matters arising from the last meeting, not already covered in the agenda -

Clerk to now write to Rudd's regarding the parking on their site, following representation from Radbroke Hall at this meeting.

The Pensions staging date has arrived and the necessary declarations have been made.

The hole where the Christmas tree was has lost its covering plate. Sheila Read to follow up and get it replaced.

17.45 Finance

Receipts and payments - approved
Bank Reconciliation agreed and signed

The remaining funds in the AED ring fenced funds are to be used to possibly fund an AED in the Whipping Stocks area of the parish. The Clerk is to explore options with Radbroke Hall and the Pub regarding a possible location.

17.46 Planning - Neighbourhood Plan

The public notice has been published. Steering group now needs to meet. Membership needs to expand and so a request is to be put in the newsletter.

Planning Applications -

17/1793M & 17/20153M Lime Tree Farm, Long Lane - No Objections, providing neighbours have none.

17/2153M - Land at Roadside Farm - No Objections providing neighbours have been informed and have none. Clerk to email neighbours.

The Chairman asked Cllr Walton about the enforcement of the land opposite Nixon's Cottage. The Parish Council would like to see the hedge reinstated and the original gateway restored. Cllr Walton said he would follow it up.

17.47 Highways

The missing sign on Well Bank Lane has been reported. However the meeting resolved the clerk should write to the home owner to ask for them to reinstate it.

Flashing signs have been added to the area highways minor works list.

Speed Gun training has been set up. JC will contact those interested.

The grit bin has been requested and was chased on 17th February. JC still awaiting a response from CE.

Edging back - none deemed to be required on Cinder Lane and Clay Lane is to have the road sweeper and verges cut.

The hedge has been cut on the A50 so the footpath is now passable.

17.48 Housekeeping and Maintenance

The risk assessment has been reviewed and agreed as correct.

The minutes will be in chronological order on the website, not the order in which they were signed.

The idea of having a Big Get Together Street party on 17th June was thought to be a good one. Afternoon tea might be a good idea?

A flyer will go out to invite all to a meeting on Saturday 6th May to discuss the village hall.

17.50 Ongoing Projects

S106 works on the field – Drainage has been done, the matting repairs have been done. The planting of the bulbs will now have to wait until the autumn.

Broadband – Already discussed re meeting taking place tomorrow

Village Hall – KD went through the feasibility study and the 4 options with the meeting. The meeting acknowledged that the parking issues for the hall still need to be resolved but it was felt the feasibility studies and plans for the building should be shared with the community at the public meeting on 6th May.

No further correspondence has been received from Crabtree. The Parish Council has made it abundantly clear to Crabtree at previous Parish Council meetings, which they have attended, that their proposal for development in the greenbelt is unacceptable to the residents of Over Peover. However, if our views are disregarded, as we know has occurred in the past, our new Village Hall plans will have the effect of setting down a marker as to the standard of building the village would require, so the developer would not be able to fob the village off by substituting an inferior building or an insignificant contribution. The scale and quality of the proposed building may in itself act as a deterrent as the costs involved are likely to be well in excess of those envisaged by the developer. In addition, it would be beneficial to get our own project moving as soon as possible so that the argument for special circumstances for development in the greenbelt is no longer available to them.

Funding and grant options have been suggested, and will be looked at in further detail in the near future once the issues with owners have been decided.

The Chairman thanked Kathy Doyle and Tom Hayes for all their work done so far.

17.51 Correspondence

The list of correspondence was circulated and is attached to the minutes.

The Smarter Motorways Fund was to be looked into as a possible source of funding for either the village hall or the broadband provision.

17.52 Items for next agenda –

Meeting ended 22.19 p.m.

NEXT MEETING 7.45 PM ON 23rd MAY 2017 AT OVER PEOVER VILLAGE HALL