

# PEOVER SUPERIOR PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at Over Peover Methodist Church, Cinder Lane.**

**Present:** Chair of the meeting Chris Hurst (CH), Kathy Doyle (KD), Tracey Byerley (TB), Trevor Cornish (TC), Robin Lindsay (RL), Peter Clarkson (PC), Sheila Read (SR), George Walton (GW) and the Clerk.

1 member of the public

**12.01 Apologies for absence:** Gordon McGrath (GM), PC Simon Warr.

**12.02 Declarations of Interest in any agenda item:** None

**12.03 Parishioner's Question time** - Item moved to the end of the meeting.

**12.04 To approve the Minutes of the last Meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2011.** - agreed and signed as a correct record.

**12.05 To discuss matters arising from the last meeting, not already covered in the agenda** - Clerk reported that a letter had been sent to the owners of Sunnycroft but to date no reply has been received.

**12.06 Report From Cheshire East** -Very little to say except that the minor works repair list should be produced soon, the maintenance list has been produced and circulated. Next meeting will be held in Feb 2012. Please continue to add to the minor works list. TC pointed out that we haven't included the verges on the A50. **12.06.01The meeting resolved for the clerk to add these on as well as speaking to 'Streetscene' regarding the issue.**

There is to be a public Consultation on the A556 that will take place on 28<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> January and 9<sup>th</sup> February from 10am -5pm.

**12.07 Report from Knutsford Rural Policing** - The clerk read a report from PC Simon Warr:

December to 9<sup>th</sup> January 2012

The good news is that there has been no reported crime for Over Peover during December and to date in January. This said however, Wilmslow and Knutsford are currently experiencing a spate of house burglaries with several reports as recent as Monday 9th January in Chelford, Knutsford and Wilmslow. The times vary, but in general the offences are occurring in the evening and entry gained by smashing a rear window. I would urge residents to call police if any suspicious people

and/or vehicles are sighted. Also, I would encourage neighbours to keep an eye out for each other especially those with elderly neighbours.

Rural crime continues to be a priority for Knutsford, so again any suspicious sightings can be reported to Rural Watch or direct to Cheshire Police on the new reporting phone number 101 or if emergency 999.

RL reported of an attempted break in to stables opposite Cheshire Row but was unsure if the incident had been reported. The owners were to be encouraged to report the matter to the police.

**12.08 CHAIN** - Nothing to report

**12.09 Housekeeping, Repairs and Maintenance** -The Queen Elizabeth II Field registration will deal with the registration of the Parish field with the Land registry. Therefore the clerk is to proceed. **12.09.01 the clerk to submit the application form and photos and include provision for a village hall to be built on the site in the future if the current deeds allow.**

The Newsletter is to be produced in February/March and include a reminder regarding litter as well as a advert for a Village Hall caretaker.

**12.10 Highways - Cheshire Row** - a request for the council to look into creating a layby in the verge opposite the Cheshire Row for residents to park their cars in has been received. The Clerk commented that this is within the remit of the council. The council felt that this would improve flow of traffic especially with the bus stop being opposite the Cheshire Row. **12.10.01 the meeting resolved to add the matter to the minor works list. 12.10.02The council also resolved for the clerk to ask Samuel Smiths for an update on the repairs to the Old Fire Station.**

**A50** - The Chairman and Cllr Walton attended a meeting at the chairman's home with Sgt Holley and Rob Welch from Highways to discuss the residents and council's strength of feeling at the lack of action regarding the speed on the A50. After much discussion and the chairman reiterating the disappointment for the previous reviews recommendations not being implemented, the conclusion of the meeting was that a new review was going to have to take place. The parish council and local residents will have the opportunity to comment on the review and the council have also received a copy of the Government guidelines on which the review will be conducted. The promise was received that the A50 would be one of the first roads to be reviewed and that review should be completed in the first quarter of 2012 with the recommendations then hopefully being implemented in the new financial year of 2012/13. **12.13.01 the meeting resolved to include an article on the review in the newsletter in Feb/March.**

**12.11 Finance** - The following receipts and invoices were approved for payment. CH/KD

Clerks fee and expenses	£95.03 VAT £6.81
Hulse Landscapes - mowing crossroads and cenotaph	£100 VAT £20.00
HM revenue and customs PAYE /NI	£120.00

Over Peover Methodist Church - Meeting room Hire £15.00

### 12.11.01 Quarterly Finance Report and reconciliation

Balance per Bank Statement (30 Dec 2011)		2,832.80
Less: Un-presented cheque: 100670	<u>£1,687.20</u>	
Sub-total	£1,687.20	<u>-£1,687.20</u>
Balance Agreed as per cashbook (30 Dec 2011)		£1,145.60
	Add: Investment	<u>£114.03</u>
	Total cash and investments	£1,259.63

Analysed:

Parish Council	£1,030.99
Parish Plan	£114.61
Investment	<u>£114.03</u>
	£1,259.63

The Cashbook was circulated and will be circulated by email to all members.

The personnel committee have met and recommend that the clerk receive a 5% pay raise for 2012/13 to recognise the increase in workload in taking on the bookings and finance for the Village hall. **12.11.01.01 The meeting resolved to accept this recommendation.**

### 12.12 Planning Applications received:

- 11/4491M - 1, Free Green Cottages
- 11/4523M - Woodlands Farm, Stocks Lane

The above applications were reviewed by the meeting and the council had no comments or objections to make in either case.

### 12.12.01 Planning decisions:

11/3859M Newhall Farm - change of use to holiday Accommodation

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

11/3890M Smithy Cottage - Garden Store to replace existing Smithy

POSITIVE CERTIFICATE

### 12.13 Update from Volunteer groups

**12.13.01 Village Hall** - TC updated the meeting on the situation and progress of the management committee. He said he was concerned about the long term viability of the hall and in that vein he had spoken to the Wainrights regarding a possible site near the Cricket club. They wouldn't be opposed to having talks. The provision for the football team changing facilities, the cricket club

and the village needs could help find grants if all needs were combined. The suggestion of an asset swap arrangement for the WI and PCC in any deal to sell the old Village Hall site was discussed and TC to explore this idea with the two groups.

The village hall is not itself a charity and so the constitution can be amended more easily. A Volunteer is being sought to open up and shut the hall for non regular users. The advert has been publicised in the shops in Chelford, on the notice boards, and on the website as well as in the Peovereye Magazine and the Parish Magazine.

Following a discussion of the management committee accounts for the last two years there provision of £1000 is in the budget for a grant towards the Village Hall. **12.13.01 The meeting resolved that their contribution to a stipend for the caretaker should be £500 per year with the £500 left be towards the maintenance of the building.**

**12.13.02 Diamond Jubilee** - the Cricket Club are happy to have a joint family fun day on the Monday of the bank holiday weekend. They are happy for the idea of a ball to be explored by a committee. TB, PC, and CH to join in a committee of volunteers to organise and explore these possibilities. The Mugs for the children are to be ordered from Greys of Shenstone and will have Peover Donkey emblem on back. Tear off slips to be on newsletter to establish numbers of children in the village. Mugs to be free for Under 11s and also available to buy.

**12.13.03 Broadband** - Very little to report but offer of support from Peover Estate gratefully received.

**12.13.04 Volunteer List** - to be added to next month's agenda items.

#### **12.14 Correspondence -**

- **Letter for Chelford PC** - Chelford are asking for support for their scheme to provide sports and recreational facilities for young people (11 -18) in the area.  
**12.14.01 The meeting resolved to write in support of the project.**
- Letter from Weightmans containing terms and conditions - no longer needed as QE2 fields will take care of registration.
- FSCS letter
- Planning Document NALC - Clerk to order 4 more copies from ChALC
- Manchester Airport offer of tickets - Take up their offer as a thank you to Mr Bill Bolton for his work as internal auditor.
- Iain Nichol Radbroke ATM facilities
- Village Hall Management committee minutes
- Government Guidelines for A50 Review
- Cheshire Choice Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 2012- TC to attend
- LEP Meeting 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 2012

- Repeal of Local government (discretionary Payments) Regulations 1996
- Local renewable energy workshop - 11<sup>th</sup> Jan 2012
- Various adverts: for banking, play equipment, Diamond jubilee memorabilia and street furniture.

**12.15 Parishioners Question time** - Henry Brooks introduced himself to the meeting. He wanted to come along and congratulate the parish council and the parish plan team on the work they do for the parish. There were also a few issues he would like the parish councils opinion on.

HS2 - Peover Estate have taken the policy to keep a close eye out regarding the routes from Birmingham to Manchester and Leeds. The parish council have heard very little on the subject but will make enquiries and should they learn anything keep the estate posted.

A556 consultation - anything the parish council could add would help the case in fighting this road.

Parish Plan - The creation of a conservation area for Peover Park is concerning as yet more red tape would hinder the estate further. The council reported that as far as they were concerned this was not something they were perusing any further.

Mr Brooks thanked the meeting for their time and added that if there was ever any assistance the Estate or family could give the parish please ask.

Meeting ended 9.10 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING 7.45 PM ON 28<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2012 AT OVER PEOVER METHODIST, CINDER LANE, OVER PEOVER.**