

PEOVER SUPERIOR PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of meeting held at 7.45pm on Tuesday 30th October 2012 at Over Peover Methodist Church, Cinder Lane.

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

Two members of the public were in attendance

12.117 Apologies for absence: Iain Nichol (Barclays) Grahame Bastin (Barclays PCSO Lindsay Whitehead).

12.118 Declarations of Interest in any agenda item: KD in 12/3801M - Old Acres and 12/3732M - Colshaw Hall.

12.119 Parishioner's Question time - Mandy Cotton and Andy Bate from Nuffield Health, who run the health facilities on the Radbroke site, introduced them to the meeting. They informed the meeting that there was more than the gym on offer, a range of therapists is on site as well as a wellbeing centre. There are tennis courts and an AstroTurf pitch also on site, which will hopefully from this week be available free of charge for the local community to use. The opening hours are from 6.30am - 9.00pm Monday to Friday and 9am -1pm on a Saturday.

Currently the 'local' community is just the area of Over Peover but it is Nuffield's wish to open it up to other parishes, however Barclays bank's permission will have to be sought on this issue. The centre also has fully qualified staff who are willing to engage with local schools and use 'dead time' in the gym to promote exercise to the children. The meeting were happy to put Andy and Mandy in touch with the local primary schools and with other local groups such as the David Lewis centre to see if they can work together for the benefit of the children.

Although the staff at Nuffield is qualified to perform GP fitness prescriptions, currently there is no agreement with Barclays for this service to be provided.

The Chairman thanked Andy and Mandy for their time and said it was fantastic that Barclays and Nuffield Health are engaging with the parish council and the community and long may it continue.

Members of public left the meeting.

12.120 To approve the Minutes of the last Meeting on 24th September 2012. -the minutes were agreed and signed as a correct record.

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

The Code of Conduct email will be sent out, if councillors would like to view their previous declarations please collect them from the clerk at the end of the meeting.

KD attended the Chalc AGM. There was great discussion regarding planning and a presentation on the abolition of the Council tax benefit. Local councils will now be responsible for applying for a 90% grant to arrange its own council tax benefit. Any shortfall will be taken from the borough council.

12.122 Report from Cheshire East - GW had attended Silk 106.9 and launched the Cheshire east local hero awards. He has also been involved in the homecoming celebrations for local Paralympic and Olympic athletes.

The local plan is continuing to progress. The boundary commission has released the new boundary changes and Tatton will remain Tatton but be extended to include areas of Northwich.

The chief exec of Cheshire east continues to be Ken Riley, however what change will take place after November is still undecided.

TC put that as Cheshire west and Chester have taken out loans to pay for road repairs, would Cheshire east be doing the same? Also the review process seems to be a smoke and mirrors exercise as reviews are being done, the cost of these could be put towards the cost of the road repairs. Also GM said that as he understood it the local authority applied to the government for a 'precept' for highways and did Cllr Walton know what this figure was and was it enough if the borough council were struggling to repair our roads? GW could not answer these issues as this was outside of his remit. He suggested that Cllr Peter Raines be contacted and asked these questions as he was portfolio holder for highways.

12.123 CHAIN - Lostock incinerator has been passed by the inspectorate. The council expressed its disappointment at this but felt there was little they could do except monitor the situation and any adverse effects it may have on the parish.

12. 124 Report from Knutsford Rural Policing - Lindsay Whitehead sent the following update of crime in the local area.

04/09 Theft of transit van in Plumley through in daylight. Keys left in van.

18/09 Burglary at Sunny bank farm Chelford.

19/09 Burglary at Woodlea, Manor farm in Ollerton. Renovated house. Appliances stolen.

26/09 Theft of trailer from Frank Marshalls in Chelford.

09/10 Theft of Beltex sheep at Moss farm Chelford.

15/10 Theft of motor vehicle on open car park Chelford.

17/10 Car tyres slashed and body work damage to motor vehicle on station road Chelford.

Inspector Griffiths has planned to run an operation next week to help combat rural crime in Knutsford.

So unless I have missed something, there is nothing to report for your area. I think this goes to show that we all need to be extra vigilant with our security because there are active thieves in operation. I personally patrol around your area too.

12.125 Housekeeping, Repairs and Maintenance – Kate Wadsworth has had a quote of a Christmas tree £105 including VAT and Delivery. CH is to check to see if this is a competitive price, if so the council are happy to go ahead with the tree.

Christmas Carols again on Sunday 16th December. However it was felt to sing round the housing estate and the Christmas tree was better than walking from the Dog.

The Bin for the layby opposite the cricket club has been installed.

The service of remembrance has the war memorial has been organised and a wreath ordered. Bessie Coppack was to be asked to lay the wreath on the council's behalf and if not TC was willing to do so.

12.126 Highways –TC attended the LAP highways meeting and was impressed with the way the meeting conducted itself. They did agree to budgeting £2000 to a survey of Chelford Lane to establish the issues and enable a plan for repair or engineering works as necessary.

The A50 review has confirmed that works are necessary along the stretch in Over Peover, however a review of what works are needed is now taking place. The work is to take place in Q1 of 2013.

The lack of road markings on the A50, especially on the Whipping Stocks bed and the turning box for traffic waiting to turn in to Stocks lane is becoming very dangerous. There have been a number of complaints made to the parish council on this matter.

12.126.01 resolved for the Clerk to contact Andy Wilson to see if this can be done as a matter of urgency.

The general feedback from the newsletter is that parishioners do not want more speed calming measures. Therefore the options now open to the council is to make better use of the speed watch team.

12.126.02 resolved to find out where the speed gun is and arrange for those trained to undertake regular patrols.

12.127 Finance – The following receipts and invoices were approved for payment CH/TB

Samuel Smiths	£0.12
Clerks expenses – Newsletter printing	£149.39
G & GE Read – Mowing roadside round playing field and hedges - £200 VAT £40	
Hire Of Over Peover Methodist Church	£15.00
Village Hall Grant	£500
Village Hall caretaker – ¾ year	£375

12.128 Planning Applications received:

The following plans were considered. KD stepped out of the meeting while Old acres and Colshaw Hall applications were discussed.

12/3801M – Old Acres – No Comment

12/3732M – Colshaw Hall – No Comment

12/4072M – Hoot Cottage – No Comment

12/3346M – Laudry Cottage – new plans – No Comment

It has been noted that there are plans being submitted by Rudds. The family have made an offer of a site visit to the parish council. Once the plans have been received by the parish council, a decision on a site visit will be taken.

12.128.01 Planning decisions:

12/2893M Fir Tree Farm – Single storey side extension APPROVED W/C

12/3059M 1, Colshaw Cottages – Proposed two storey side and rear extension REFUSED

12.129 Update from Volunteer groups

12.129.01 – Village Hall – A meeting of the Village Hall Management Committee (VHMC) has taken place and was very successful. The ownership of the hall has been established to be as thought the WI and the PCC. And documentation to this effect has been found. The hall is in need of vital repair to the windows and Keith White is prepared to undertake this work. The committee agreed that there is a need to keep the hall heated and water tight. An approach will be made to Mr Irlam regarding the proposed asset swap by CH and TC. While the Parish council are happy to assist with finding grants it is felt that the idea of a swap of a freehold for a freehold is preferable. CCA, Robert Weston and Tony Whalley all to be asked for advice on grant funding.

The Church do not necessarily wish to still have a stake in the village hall and so a possible way round would be for improvements to be funded to the church building in exchange for their asset? These issues are to be explored in the future by the VHMC.

12.130 Correspondence – not already covered in the meeting

- Fields in Trust – New map needing signatures & Membership – offer of membership declined.
- Temporary Road Closure notice for Mill Lane
- Town and parish conference – 7th November
- Pension regulations – for consideration by the personnel committee
- Reply from Rob Moss of Barclays thanking the Chairman for his letter.
- Response from CCA outlining the difference between an SPD and neighborhood plan
- Letters from Tatton estate
- CCA AGM on 1st November 2012
- Results of Community Pride Competition – Third, to be circulated to all local businesses and interested parties.
- Playing Field Newsletter.

Meeting ended 09.50 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING 7.45 PM ON 20th NOVEMBER 2012 AT OVER PEOVER
METHODIST, CINDER LANE, OVER PEOVER.**