# PEOVER SUPERIOR PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk - Liz McGrath Telephone - 01565 722762 Chairman - Chris Hurst Vice Chairman - Kathy Doyle

# Minutes of meeting held at 7.45pm on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 at Over Peover Methodist Church, Cinder Lane.

**Present:** Chair of the meeting Chris Hurst (CH), Kathy Doyle (KD), Trevor Cornish (TC), Jayne Rudd (JR), George Walton (GW) and the Clerk

2 members of the public in attendance

- 16.14 Apologies Sheila Read (SR), John Caulfield (JC), Ian Webber
- 16.15Decarations of Interest None
- 16.16 Minutes of meeting on 12 th January 2016 Agreed and signed as a r=true record
- 16.17 Matters Arising from the minutes None
- **16.18 Police Report –** No officer was able to be present it was noted that there would now be a monthly report given to cover the whole of the Chelford Ward and rather than a tailored report for each meeting. This report, once received would be placed on the Website and emailed out to the village. The report was read to the meeting.

# 01/01/2016 - Burglary Dwelling

Artists Lane, Nether Alderley

Secluded location, entry has been gained to the address from the back of the property but it looks like offenders have been scared off as nothing has been taken. No witnesses.

## 01/01/2016 - Suspicious Activity

Robin Lane, Chelford

09:00am, report of a male at the back of a property and has climbed into the green house. The male was challenged and he said he needed the toilet. He then left – description Tall, Blue Jacket, 5.10, mid 50's, rucksack, and appeared to not be sober.

# 03/01/2016 - Burglary Dwelling

Sand Lane, Nether Alderley

Residents away on holiday, property has been broken into. There is a smashed window at the rear and the back door is unlocked. Unsure what has been taken, believe this has taken place on New Year's Eve.

#### 03/01/2016 - Anti social behaviour/Suspicious Activity

Ashley Road, Mere

4 youths smoking cannabis, they were asked to leave. Rostherne entrance to Tatton Park. No further issues, males had left in a vehicle prior to police attending.

## 04/01/2016 - Suspicious Activity

**Snelson Methodist Church** 

At 17:25hrs - Three males seen in an old red transit van acting suspiciously on the church car park. No VRM but the transit had HEART RACING on the side. Search made but no trace of the vehicle.

#### 05/01/2016 - Suspicious Activity

Frog lane, Pickmere

Possible prowlers disturbed, dogs were barking and caller has seen a male by the side gate and another male trying to get into the conservatory. No entry gained, males have been scared off.

#### 12/01/2016 - Suspicious Activity

Chester Road, Tabley

20:50hrs - Two suspicious vehicles sighted outside the farm, believe the behaviour was suspicious. One was a lorry type vehicle with reg started with MX07 and the other was a Flat bed. They got out and walked about a bit then went alon the lane towards Tabley. Officers attended but no trace of vehicles.

#### 13/01/2016 – Suspicious Activity

Rostherne Lane, Rostherne

At 01:00 in the morning, what sounded like a shot gun went off. Logged after incident occurred, noted down as Intel.

## 14/01/2016 -Theft

Warrington Road, High Legh

At 16:10hrs, two males enter the caller's place of work, one male distracted them whilst one of the males took their purse from their handbag, removed around £360 cash then left. A red corsa was seen leaving the location going towards Knutsford. Officers are investigating.

## 16/01/2016 – Burglary

Chester Road, Over Tabley

Neighbours have reported burglary at their neighbour's house, they have been out since 18:30hrs, Footprints around the window area. Bag and contents have been removed. Police are investigating. Closure Summary: C39 CR311 - MG11 taken, no CCTV available.

#### 18/01/2016 - Burglary

Plumley Moor Road, Plumley

Burglary at a public house on Plumley moor road. Offender was seen to make off from living quarters of the pub. Unknown at this stage what has been stolen.

#### 19/01/2016 - Criminal Damage

Summerfield Road, Mobberley

4 tyres on two separate vehicles of the informants have been slashed overnight, nothing seen or

## 22/01/2016 - Criminal Damage

Brickhill Lane, Ashley

At one of the local businesses, two vehicles have had their tyres punctured. Officers investigating and cctv is being reviewed.

#### 24/01/2016 - Theft from motor vehicle

Church Lane, Mobberley

Car has been broken into on car park, tomtom and dashcam taken.

27/01/2016 - Suspicious Activity

Pepper Street, Mobberley

Report that overnight someone has attended callers work premises and have appeared to have gained entry and messed with his security cameras. As they have left the location they have placed a padlock on the gates, preventing him from accessing his work place.

#### A few GOOD NEWS Stories

- Stop search on males on the 19th January, Cannabis was seized and details taken. Longridge, Knutsford.
- On 20th January Male was arrested for Criminal Damage, Longridge, Knutsford
- Chester Road Knutsford on 21st January, Vehicle stopped and seized for no insurance.

16.19 To fill Vacancies on the Parish Council - No parishioner had asked for an electipon following the publiching of the vacancy and so the parish Council are free to Co-opt someone in to the position. There have been three gentlemen interested in the vacancy on the parish council. Mr Brian Glover Smith, Mr John Hehir and Mr Phil Welsh. The suggestion was put to the meeting to co-opt all three to the parish council as it was good to have more engagement than less. Each person would have to sign up to the code of conduct and complete a declaration of interest form. There are 8 elected spaces on the Parish Council and therefore only 8 votes. The meeting resolved that should a vote be necessary the one vote would be rotated alphabetically amongst the three members.

The clerk would circulate the code of conduct and the declaration of interest forms to each of the three and then if they were still happy to be co-opted this would be officially done next meeting. The reason for this being so that all parties were aware of what they were agreeing to.

**Education Foundation** - Tracey Read would be happy to continue to represent the Parish Council on this board. The Parish Council were in agreement with her continuing to do so

Personel Committee - Cllr Rudd was willing to join this committee

**School Governors** - There is space oin the school Governing Body for two governors appointed by the Education Foundation. However there is only one currently and he has expressed a wish to stand down.. Therefore there is a need to recruit two others. The Clerk is to ask the Airport if they would have any suitable volunteer as well as advertising the vacancy in the next Newsletter.

# **16.20 Parishioners Question Time - None**

## 16.21 Planning -

**Patton Close** - there are still 4 shared houses available one was sale was agreed following last meeting. They are advertised on Rightmove and the Cheshire East Website. The meeting resolved to put the details of the houses on the village noticeboards as well as on the newsletter.

**16/0687M - Hawthorne House -** The parish council have no specific concerns except to say that the curtilage of this house includes an annex that has been turned down and is now at appeal and the parish council questioned if this application needed to be determined with this in mind with respect of permitted development of the site as a whole.

## 16.21.01 Planning Decisions -

## 16.22 Housekeeping and maintenance

Play matting on swings, slide and rocking horse - Second quote is in the region of £6000. The Parish Council are to see if the monies can be found from the S 106 to match the matting with the new matting.

The drainage of the area around the new equipment is causing issues. Again the Parish Council is to see if \$106 monies can be used. In the meantime a contractor is to be asked if some remedial work can be done to find a solution. Then quotes can be sought for the solution.

# Noticeboards and Benches - Still awaiting quotes.

**Footpaths** - The clerk has undertaken a walk of a suggested route and has identified sites for kissing gates. The meeting resolved to write to the landowners asking for their thoughts and to see if they would be willing to contribute towards the cost of the Kissing gates.

Boundary Sign on Goostrey Lane & Street Sign -Boundary Lane - Street sign has been repaired. Only one boundary sign is needed on Goostrey Lane and one on Bate mill is needed. Awaiting quote for their replacement.

## 16.22 Finance -

The Parish Council had received a request for a grant towards a 'Street Party' to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. The group have asked for £250 to which the Council agreed, however they have informed the group should they need any more they are to come back to the Parish Council.

The Transparency Code rules were outlined to the Parish Council. All the regulations were being met except that the Financial details needed to be separate on the website to the minutes. Therefore the Receipts and Payments report given at each meeting will be placed online so to comply with the Code.

The Personnel Committee have met and have agreed that the Clerks fee should be paid in four quarterly payments a year, regardless of meeting dates.

The Meeting was also presented with a recommendation for a 1% pay rise to £2608.83 from April 2016. This was proposed by Chris Hurst and Seconded by Trevor Cornish. It was accepted by the meeting.

Therefore the payments for the next 12 months will be as follows:

Date of Payment	Period of work covered	Amount
31/03/2106	6 <sup>th</sup> January – 5 <sup>th</sup> April	£645.75
30/06/2016	6 <sup>th</sup> April – 5 <sup>th</sup> July	£652.21
30/09/2016	6 <sup>th</sup> July - 5 <sup>th</sup> October	£652.21
31/12/2016	6 <sup>th</sup> October – 5 <sup>th</sup> January	£652.21

Following an audit of the Clerks pay done by Cllr Hurst it was found there had been an underpayment of £444.50 which has been paid to the clerk and is detailed on the receipts and payments report.

It was also noted that any pay review would be implemented from the April following the November review so that payments were in line with the financial year.

The personnel committee have asked the Clerk to make a note of the hours she does over the next ¼ and these will then be reviewed

The receipts and payments summary was presented to the meeting. The invoices due for payment were agreed, the bank reconciliation accepted. It was noted that a VAT claim had been made but not received as yet.

Cllr Webber to report on the online payments next meeting.

**16.23 Correspondence -** a list of correspondence was circulated to the meeting and is attached to these minutes.

Following comments in support of the 20mph zone the council resolved to ask Clr Webber to set up some more dates for speedwatch sessions in the village.

It was agreed to enter the Community Pride Competition 2016.

# 16.24 Update on ongoing projects

**Broadband** - As yet no further modelling has been received.. Brian Glover Smith was willing to assist with this project.

**AED** -Adrian Rees has it on his 'to do' list.

Christmas tree lights- Quote received and agreed by the meeting that the whole project of works should be undertaken by the electricity contractors.. Clerk to contact and enquire if this is possible. Also Cheshire Peaks AND Plains to be contacted for support.

Wild flower area/ woodland Walk & Tree Sculpture - the tree stump itself is not dead and as such could still shoot. Also 2 inches of bark would have to be removed, not leaving very much

of the 'stump' to sculpt. The alternative is to look at bird boxes. The Parish Council is to give this further thought.

The wild flower woodland walk is not something open spaces team who hold the 106 monies are normally involved in, however they are willing to look at it if the parish Council are willing to be responsible to the maintenance.

**Footpaths -** The Clerk walked some footpaths in the area and has identified possible routes for kissing gates. The next step is to contact the landowners for their agreement and possible contribution. Then take the plan to PROW team.

Flooding on the Parish Field – the Clerk is to ask for quotes to deal with this and bring back to the meeting. There are no drainage maps for the field and so any contractor is working blind. KD is to ask CE if this is something the S106 monies could pay for?

# 16.25 Items for the next agenda

None

Meeting ended 9.44pm

NEXT MEETING 7.45 PM ON 22<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2016 AT OVER PEOVER METHODIST, CINDER LANE, OVER PEOVER.