# PEOVER SUPERIOR PARISH COUNCIL

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

# Minutes of meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at Over Peover Methodist Church, Cinder Lane.

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

Iain Nicol site manager from Barclays

14.43 Apologies for absence: PCSO Lindsey Whitehead

**14.44 Declarations of Interest in any agenda item:** KD in application 14/1436M

**14.45 Parishioner's Question time** -The item of Barclays Parking was brought to the public part of the meeting with Iain Nicol being in attendance.

The Chairman thanked Iain for coming along to the meeting. He outlined the parishes thanks to Barclays for the way they have communicated and worked with the parish regarding the parking issues and the way the majority of the cars have found alternative parking off the road sides. The parish council are concerned however that there seem to be a persistent 20/30 cars that are parking on the verge outside Barclays Stocks Lane exit and in the laybys on the A50. The Parish Council's view is that this is for Barclays to resolve and not burden the parish with their parking issues.

Iain then explained that Barclays would like to see the restrictions on the Laybys in place so that police can move people from parking there. Barclays have also taken steps to, where possible, get the details of car users on site so that if a car is parked illegally on or off site their line manager can be contacted and pressure put on that person to park with consideration. It was noted that some third party contractors have provided alternative parking for their employees and some third party contractors have left the site as a result, or have found alternative ways of working such as working from home. Some third parties have been asked to leave as a result of their inconsiderate attitude to the parking issue.

The coaches are now doing journeys to Chelford Station, Crewe Station, Holmes Chapel and Knutsford Station. Although the cars on site are down, for some reason the uptake on the coaches is down and Iain cannot find out why.

Cllr Walton asked why when a temporary car park was granted in 2011 Barclays haven't implemented this planning permission. Iain Nicol admitted that the Bank were reluctant to spend the money on additional car parking when the site's capacity can fluctuate. He also noted that there was a review of all Banking properties and the impact of this review on the Radbrook Hall Site is not yet know. He also said that there might have to be further reduction in parking on site for Barclay's employees. There are 3233 available desks on site and if demand grows it is hoped that flexi working and greater car sharing can take up the impact of this. The Chairman asked why Barclays don't see the car parking as a priority. It is surely in

their interests to make the site user friendly for workers as moral of the work force affects productivity. He then went on to ask would Barclays not subsidise the alternative parking arrangements and so create a solution? It was Barclays view that third party contractors are already an expense and to further add to this expense by subsidising parking was not something they were prepared to do. However Iain has found solutions for third party contractors and will continue to find shuttle bus type solutions if he can. The Chairman then said he might be able to assist with this type of solution.

The coaches are taking one local child to the train station and assisting with the school run and that is open to others if it can help.

Kathy Doyle asked what progress had been made with the integrated bus service idea? George Walton stated he had gone to considerable lengths to set up a meeting with the transport officer but when he made an approach they were told that Barclays were dealing with Caroline Simpson. Cllr Walton is unable to ascertain what progress has been made in this.

The actions from this meeting is for the Clerk to follow up with The Lap and Dave Thomason regarding the layby signage, the Chairman asked Iain if Barclays would consider funding the lay-by restriction signs, and also confirm what posts can be put on the grass verge to discourage parking, and a supplier for these. CH is to try and see if he can assist with parking solutions, and GW if he is copied into emails will work to prompt officers regarding the layby signage and officials at Cheshire East to work with Barclays to integrate public transport. Iain Nicol will also see if he can find out what the stumbling blocks are regarding this. The Clerk is to also ask if the existing coach timetables can be made public for locals to use?

**14.46** To approve the Minutes of the last Meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2014. -the minutes were corrected, agreed and signed as a correct record.

14.47 To discuss matters arising from the last meeting, not already covered in the agenda – None

**14.48 Report from Knutsford Rural Policing** None received, although it was noted that the Home watch co-ordinator, Jane Thirsk, has retired and for the time being the Rural watch co-ordinator PC Mike Dawber will have a watching brief.

**14.49 Casual Vacancy -** A letter of Resignation has been received by Howard Sagar. He didn't feel he could take up the co-opted position as he felt the register of members interest form was too intrusive. This was accepted by the meeting.

**14.50 Report from Cheshire East -** Cllr Walton advised the meeting that the works to top dress the A50 should be completed by the end of May. It is proposed to put an anti-skid covering on the bends near Nixon's Cottage and extending the white lining to prevent over taking on the bends. The lining work will take place after top dressing.

The Local plan has been submitted to the inspector and CE awaits the outcome. The CE 5 year housing supply is still in a state of flux as guidelines keep changing and so once the borough think it is secure, the guidance shifts and alterations need to be made. In the meantime there will be a consultation of all town and parish councils to find out what development sites are available and what development is wanted by individual town and parish councils. This will be done on a ward by ward basis and there will initially be 6 pilot wards, of which Chelford is one.

TC asked if there had been any progress on the repairs needed to Chelford Lane. W reported that it was on the LAP list but other than that no further plans had been made.

## 14.51 Planning -

14/1190M Garage on Stocks Lane - proposed demolition and rebuild

The parish council will be pleased to see a resolution to this building as it has been 3 years since the damage occurred. They encourage the applicant to act in a timely manner should the permission be granted.

14/1436M Land on Stocks Lane - 1 ½ storey Dwelling

The Parish Council have no objections to this proposal.

14/1802M Land at Bate Mill - Erection of a Livestock Building

The Parish Council have no objection to the proposals providing the neighbours have been consulted and have no objections.

14/1650M Treasure Cottage - Double and single storey extension to rear and detached garage The Parish council have no comment or objection to this application.

PC expressed concern regarding the plans to convert the remaining shed at Woodside Poultry farm to a day nursery. The shed was put up before the days of planning permission and from his recollection did not have significant foundations. He thought that the building was to be replaced not adapted. As such he felt that building control should be asked to have a closer look at the building. The meeting agreed that concern should be expressed but questioned if it was the Parish Council's remit. It was agreed that the Clerk is to look into the issue for the council.

The application to amend the S106 agreement is with the legal department of Cheshire East. The officer is to keep the parish clerk informed of any decision processes.

#### 14.51.01 Planning Decisions

14/1757M - Woodside poultry Farm - Amendment of levels REFUSED

14/0720M - 5 Parkgate Avenue - APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

12/2860M - Oakfield Manor - Alterations to existing agricultural building

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

14.52 Highways -

The Clerk is to write to the owner of Todds Nursery to ask if she would consider allowing the workers to park on site and thus reducing the congestion in the area.

The sign has been installed to advise drivers of the unsuitable nature of Batemill for large vehicles.

# 14.53 Finance - The following receipts and invoices were approved for payment CH/TR

ChALC - Affiliation Fee	£163.80
CE Borough Council - Mowing of Playing Field	£248.62
Mr R Lowe - Painting of Railings	£1200.00
Came & Co - Broker Network Insurance	£281.86
Over Peover Methodist Church - Room Hire 10 meetings	£130.00

#### 14.54 Playing Field

**14.54.01 Land Registry-** it was decided that this should be handed over to Weightmans for them to complete the necessary forms.

**14.54.02 Railings** - the decision to pay for the schools railings as a gesture of good will was agreed and the clerk reported that this had been received very well in the parish.

**14.54.03 New Paly equipment -** Kathy Doyle has had meetings with three play equipment specialists, Playdale, Playground Imagineering and Pentagon.

The three quotes were assessed by the Parish Council and it was decided that as well as being the most competitive quote, Pentagon was also from a local firm and the one that was confident of securing a grant for up to £10,000.

The monies are held by Marianne Hodgkinson and the Clerk is to contact her to find out what level of further consultation needs to be done and how best to go about the procurement process.

KD has also produced a questionnaire to update the consultation already done through the parish plan and fundraising events. This is to be circulated along with proposed plans to the email recipients of the newsletter, the school, WI and family festival group at St Lawrence's.

The Clerk noted that the wet pour matting round the slide is in need of patching. A quote will be obtained for next meeting.

#### 14.55 Housekeeping and maintenance

**14.55.01 War Memorial** - the grant evaluation is back and all the information is ready for submission. RL to action the grant application.

**14.55.02 Newsletter** - The PCC have created a newsletter and would like to do one quarterly. A brief conversation has been had in looking at joining the newsletters. The Parish Council would pay for this but the PCC help with the copy and the distribution. The meeting felt this should be put to the PCC as a suggested way forward.

#### 14.56 Updates from Volunteer Groups

14.56.01 Village Hall - the roof felt is to be replaced on the whole south west side and the new window is to be fitted as soon as possible. There needs to be a discussion on what the parish would want from a joint school/village hall. It was proposed a sub committee be set up for this purpose. TC to Chair, KD, CH, TR and RL to attend. Date TBC. TC to look at the educational fund deeds for confirmation of boundary of ownership.

14.56.02 Website - Clerk to update as soon as possible following training.

#### **14.57 Correspondence -** A correspondence list was circulated to members.

The meeting were unable to attend Knutsford Town Council mayor making ceremony.

In the past David Irlam, had come to update the parish council with details of his proposed business at Colshaw Hall and had offered the use of the facilities for a parish fundraising event free of charge, once a year. David and Heather recognised this was a significant commitment and having considerable charity event management experience had taken it upon themselves and held a fundraising ball a few weeks ago. They are looking to share the funds raised for the benefit of the Parish and the Cheshire Forest Hunt. They asked for the help of the parish council in approaching local organisations such as the cricket club, churches, football club, WI, the PC itself to see if they have any projects that would need funds. David will then assess these applications and allocate funds appropriately. He is proposing that this become an annual event and so moneys can be shared over all organisations to the benefit of the parish in the coming years.

## 14.58 Items for next agenda -

Future meeting dates

Meeting ended 10.30p.m.

NEXT MEETING 7.45 PM ON  $27^{\text{th}}$  MAY 2014 AT OVER PEOVER METHODIST, CINDER LANE, OVER PEOVER.