

Draft, not yet approved by Council
PEASENHALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES

Of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 26th of September 2018

Present:- Parish Councillors; Norman Ball, John Bawtree, Christopher Bishop, Roger Benstead, Peter Dance, Kenneth Parry Brown, Frank Potter (Vice-Chairman) and Tony Sore.

Apologies were received from Nicolas Levett-Scrivener, Chris Norrington and Stephen Burroughes.

2018/108 The Vice-Chairman, acting as Chairman for this meeting, welcomed councillors and 11 members of the public.

2018/109 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - none

The Chairman suspended the meeting at this point

2018/110 PUBLIC FORUM - The forum centred around the Planning Application for The Causeway Site in Peasenhall. Peter Dance reported upon the Planning Committee decision as he attended the meeting at which the decision was made. A question was raised concerning ecological surveys at the site with particular reference to Great Crested Newts and other reptiles. The course of the Planning Application since it was first made was discussed enthusiastically. The Chairman pointed out that the meeting was, at that point, suspended and that therefore all views were individual views and not those of the Council as a body. Opposition to a temporary road was voiced on the grounds of danger to children and pets. The need for planning consent, including the possibility of a planning application being required for a temporary road or temporary bridge was discussed. A suggestion was made that Peasenhall Parish Council had the need of a planning sub-committee.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting at this point.

2018/111 MINUTES of the meeting of 5/09/2018 were approved and signed as a true record.

2018/112 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - none.

2018/113 FINANCIAL REPORT- Balances (at 31/07/2018):- Current A/C - £19423.56, Deposit A/C - £7106.93. Cheques signed: Peasenhall Methodist Church (room hire) £75.00, HMRC (PAYE) £140.80, M Trovell (clerk's salary July/Aug/Sept) £563.45, M Trovell (clerk's expenses April - Sept) £81.78.

2018/114 S137 PAYMENTS - Donations were agreed as follows:- Disability Advice Service (East Suffolk) £125.00, Leiston, Saxmundham and District CAB £200.00, Halesworth Volunteer Centre £100.00, East Anglia Children's hospices £100.00, Royal British Legion £100.00, East Suffolk Foodbank £100.00, Coastal Accessible Transport Service £200.00.

There are possible problems in the payment by Council cheque for materials required to paint the Hackney Road railings. The Clerk requested permission to settle these invoices and then seek documented reimbursement from the Council as agreed previously for the WW1 Centenary trees (x-ref: 2018/104). All in favour.

2018/115 PLANNING ISSUES - None

2018/116 REVISED STANDING ORDERS - The Clerk reported that new GDPR content would be added and the revised SOs presented at the next meeting.

2018/117 DATA PROTECTION - Councillors confirmed that they had completed or were in the process of completing their own checks of data associated with council business that they may hold. A list of data not destroyed must be given to the Clerk and any remaining documents kept in a secure place.

The Clerk is to produce a Data Protection Notice for the Council website.

2018/118 WW1 CENTENARY - (x-ref 2018/87 and 104) - The Clerk and Roger Benstead had visited the Cemetery to ascertain the suitability of a section of unconsecrated ground as a site for the Centenary Orchard. A suitable site was found. *The Chairman suspended the meeting at this point to allow a report from the Speedwatch organisers (this relates to Agenda Item 12)*

There are now 12 confirmed volunteers for the scheme and it is hoped that this will eventually become 24. A talk from the police concerning the scheme has been organised. It is hoped that a grant for the purchase of high visibility clothing and other ancillary items will be available via Rachel Rowe of SCDC.

The Clerk is to check insurance cover for Public Liability and equipment with the Council's insurers.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting at this point.

2018/119 CEMETERY EXTENSION - The Clerk is to contact The Bishop with a view to arranging the consecration of a section of the Cemetery to increase the number of grave plots available.

2018/120 LEASING OF GRAVES - The Council discussed the possibility of producing a document concerning the responsibilities of executors of the deceased towards the grave plot of the deceased. It was proposed by John Bawtree and seconded by Kenneth Parry Brown that this matter is further discussed at the next meeting. All in favour.

2018/121 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS - It was proposed by Kenneth Parry Brown and seconded by John Bawtree that the Council should support plans for Christmas lights in the village this year. All in favour

2018/120 CORRESPONDENCE - From Scottish Power Renewables regarding the Sizewell/ Friston consultation for which the closing date is 29/10/2018.

From Saint Elizabeth Hospice requesting gardens to open for fund raising purposes next Summer.

2018/121 MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE NEXT AGENDA -

Items from Minutes 2018/114/116/117,118/120/121, and Speedwatch and lay-bys in the Street.

2018/122 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 31st October 2018 at 7.30pm at the Methodist Church Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.