

Pebworth Parish Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held
At the Village Hall, Pebworth on Monday 3rd July 2023

Present: Councillors: Richard Weller (Chairman), James Pearson,(19:08) Sam Parkins, David Cranage & Jodi Cotton
In attendance: County Councillor Adams (19:55), District Councillor Judith Ciotti, Mrs D Bowles (Clerk)

Also in attendance: 4 members of the public.

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| 1. | Apologies Considered for Absence: Cllr Shiers |
| 2. | Register of Interests: Disclosures of Interests: Members were reminded of the need to keep their register of interests updated. Members were asked to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary or other Interests in items considered in virtual meetings and their nature. None declared |
| 3. | Open Forum: The Chairman suspended the formal meeting for the Ward Members and public participation. a) 4 members of the public were in attendance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Judging for Britain in Bloom will take place on 13th July. Clerk confirmed she had requested amenity contractor to carry out the works requested by Pebworth in Bloom. - There are trees on Long Marston Rd that are dead. Clerk to report. - Thanks were given for the use of the Recreation Ground as a car park. - Lindsay Roach, a Community Builder in Evesham, is working closely with the Meon Vale Residents Association and has been trying to get hold of Planning Officers regarding S106 monies. The Chairman closed the open forum and reconvened the meeting at 19:24 |
| 4. | Ward Members' Report: District Councillor Ciotti reported that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the signage around the attenuation pond at Meon Way Gardens requires further investigation which she will undertake. - She has taken photos of the Meon Way Gardens area that is not being mown and forwarded these to the Planning Officer. He has stated that there is an enforcement case relating to the open space and he will be carrying out a site visit. - She has met with various residents, a Parish Council and a District Councillor regarding S106 monies which will not be released until the 350th house is built on Meon Way Gardens. There is no determination as to what these monies will be used for to date. - Evesham is now part of Walkers are Welcome; a non-profit organisation which has been the result of several years of works by the rambling association. County Councillor Adams' report will be appended to the minutes. |
| 5. | Acceptance of Minutes: The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 5 th June 2023 at the Village Hall, Pebworth were considered and approved by the Council to be a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Chairman. |
| 6. | Planning Matters Considered: a) 23/01223/VARY – Proposed : Variation of condition 2 of Reserved Matters Application 20/00606/REM to seek approval for changes to the trigger point for the Community Hub (consisting of Retail/Convenience Store, Community Building and Nursery Building) to be constructed and made available for public use from prior to the occupancy of the 300 th dwelling granted planning permission under reference 14/03579/OUT dated 28th February 2017 and any subsequent Reserved Matters applications to prior to the occupancy of the 390 th dwelling granted planning permission under reference 14/03579/OUT dated 28th February 2017 and any subsequent Reserved Matters applications. Reserved Matters Application 20/00606/REM was for the following description of development: Submission of Reserved Matters (internal access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for a Community Hub (containing Class E(a) (retail) and Class E(f) (Nursery) and Class F.2(b) Community Building uses), and Employment Hub (Class E(g)(i) Offices), including all associated works, pursuant to planning permission 14/03579/OUT (Outline application (with all matters reserved (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for future determination) for the erection of up to 400 dwellings (Class C2/C3), up to 4,000m ² employment hub (Class B1(a)-(c)) and a community hub (Class A1-A5/B1(a)/C3/D1/D2). Provision of new open space including parks and amenity space. Upgrading of existing access junction and provision of new emergency access off Campden Road and associated |

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| | <p>infrastructure, engineering and landscaping works including a new pedestrian/cycle link from Campden Road to the Stratford Greenway, sustainable urban drainage systems and all ancillary enabling works including demolition of existing buildings and structures) dated 28th February 2017) - date of decision: 23/09/2022. At Long Marston Airfield, (predominantly The South Eastern Corner), Campden Road, Lower Quinton Stratford-upon-Avon. Following consideration Clerk to respond " If there is to be any movement of the trigger point the Parish Council request that it be phased eg provide the nursery at the 300th dwelling, the community building at the 350th etc"</p> <p>b) W/23/01124/FUL Location: Bank Farm, Front Street, Pebworth, Stratford Upon Avon, CV37 8XQ Description of Proposal: Demolition of existing agricultural barns and replacement with 5no. detached dwellings. Following consideration, it was resolved to object to this application. Cllrs Cranage & Pearson to provide comments for Clerk to forward.</p> <p>c) W/23/01125/FUL Location: Low Furrow Farmhouse, Low Furrow Farm, Dorsington Road, Dorsington, Pebworth, Stratford Upon Avon, CV37 8AP Description of Proposal: Installation of 24 Ground Aligned Photovoltaic Solar Panels. Following consideration Clerk to respond with "No comment".</p> <p>Decisions:</p> <p>d) W/23/00798/FUL Proposal: Variation of Condition 1 on granted planning approval 21/02659/FUL - Erection of dwelling house and associated development. Location: Blenheim Hall, Buckle Street, Honeybourne, Evesham, WR11 8QQ. Application approved subject to conditions.</p> <p>e) W/23/00507/FUL Change of use of abandoned dwellinghouse to a holiday home, resurfacing existing drive and associated works. Location: Land at (OS 1196 4875), Dorsington Road, Dorsington, Pebworth. Application approved subject to conditions. It was pointed out that this can only be used as a holiday home.</p> <p>f) W/23/00788/HP Double garage with first floor space above to be used as Physiotherapy room / Home Office and toilet facilities. Location: Meadow Barn, Buckle Street, Ullington, Evesham, WR11 8QH. Application approved subject to conditions.</p> <p>g) W/22/02306/OUT Outline application for the erection of 4no. self-build dwellings with all matters reserved apart from access. Location: Paddock Off, Dorsington Road, Dorsington, Pebworth. Planning Application Refused.</p> |
| 7. | <p>Finance:</p> <p>a) The Council gave consideration to the first quarterly bank reconciliations, account balances and income and expenditure budgets. It was resolved to accept these by all Councillors.</p> <p>b) The Council gave consideration and unanimous approval of the payments listed in Appendix A, confirming the payments in Appendix A have been approved by full Council and there is provision within the budget, and that financial regulations and relevant policies have been followed. Cllr Weller to authorise the payments made by internet banking.</p> <p>c) As there is not a meeting in August it was agreed that any regular monthly invoices requiring payment be approved via email by Chair or Vice-Chair. These payments to then be retrospectively approved at the September meeting.</p> |
| 8. | <p>Council & Community Matters:</p> <p>a) Quotes were considered for repair of wall at Pipers Corner and the further issue at Town Pool Car Park. The stonemason stated he did not feel these were dangerous. Clerk to request Lengthsman measure the gap in the Pipers Corner wall which can be monitored.</p> <p>b) The quote requested for the below works to be added to the amenity contract has been provided at £25. It was resolved for the Clerk to accept the quote and notify the amenity contractor.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Mow the area on the Recreation field (opposite the Masons Arms) which contains the WW1 Memorial Stone, the Peace Trees and the bench. b. Strim under the high visibility white metal fence from its start the other side of the bus stop to its end at the small gate leading onto the field. c. Mow the verge on the roadside of the white metal fence from the Bus Stop area around to the small gate leading into the field. <p>c) Members considered a response to P C Matt Beards' email forwarded on 21st June regarding locations in the village where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o excessive speeding is a problem - Little Meadows & Honeybourne Rd and o locations that are impacted by anti-social behaviour- The Close, Broad Marston Rd, the woods at Broad Marston, St Peters Church and Meon Way Gardens. <p>Clerk to provide responses.</p> <p>d) Cllr Cotton to provide a draft response to the Town and Parish Council Survey 2023 and forward to Cllr Weller before submission.</p> |

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| | <p>e) Cllr Cotton's email forwarded on 15th June. It was resolved for Clerk to contact the Planning Officer regarding the Meon Way development to obtain the latest S106 document and forward to Members once received.</p> <p>f) The abandoned car in Town Pool car park has now been removed.</p> |
| 9. | <p>The Close & Recreation Field</p> <p>a) Clerk has received confirmation that Kompan is aiming for the new play equipment installation to be completed by 7th July. Clerk to arrange an independent safety inspection.</p> <p>b) It was resolved to hold an open event on Friday 14th July, 4.30pm for the new play equipment. Members of the District Council to be invited as part of the Community Legacy Grant agreement. Budget set at £100 for balloons. Clerk to contact school for two children to cut the ribbon.</p> |
| 10. | <p>Cemetery: The headstone inspection has been carried out and report awaited.</p> |
| 11. | <p>Allotments: Nothing to report.</p> |
| 12. | <p>Streetlighting: Members noted the annual audit has been completed and all the lights are now numbered.</p> |
| 13. | <p>Highway Matters: No further update regarding culvert at Little Meadows. Clerk to chase.</p> |
| 14. | <p>Lengthsman/Maintenance Matters:</p> <p>a) Works carried out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inspection of playing field has taken place - Weed spraying has taken place around the parish <p>b) Future Tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Top up the grasscrete area with soil opposite the school and any areas that need it on Front St. <p>c) Members noted VAS data which is appended to the minutes</p> |
| 15. | <p>Public Rights of Way:</p> <p>a) A report of an overgrown footpath on Broad Marston Rd has been reported. Clerk to contact landowners requesting this be trimmed back.</p> <p>b) Missing PROW sign – Cllr Cranage to investigate.</p> |
| 16. | <p>Matters Raised by Members: The following matters were raised by Council Members for consideration for future agendas:</p> <p>a) Presentation of Freedom scroll to take place on 4th September at 6:30pm.</p> |
| 17. | <p>Confidential Staff Review: The Clerk's annual appraisal has been carried out with Cllr Weller. It was resolved that the Clerk's salary be increased by one spinal column point from point 16 to 17 on the NJC salary pay scales with effect from 1st July 2023.</p> |
| 18. | <p>Date of Next Meeting: Council confirmed the date of the next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on Monday 4th September 2023 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall, Pebworth.</p> |
| 19. | <p>Closure of Meeting: The Chairman closed the meeting at 21:00 hrs</p> |

Chairman: _____ Date: _____

FINANCE

Verified & Confirmed Account Balances as at 20th June 2023

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| Treasurers Account | 4,508.86 |
| Business Bank Instant | 50,997.92 |
| Total | 55,506.78 |

APPENDIX A

| PAYMENT | PAYEE | DETAILS | TOTAL | VAT | NET |
|---------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| BACS | HMRC | Clerk & P C Tax & NIC | ***** | | ***** |
| BACS | Mrs D Bowles | Clerk's Salary & Expenses | ***** | | ***** |
| BACS | Limebridge Rural | Mowing Contract | 528.00 | 88.00 | 440.00 |
| BACS | Edge IT Systems Ltd | Annual fee | 285.60 | 47.60 | 238.00 |
| BACS | S Power Landscaping | Town Pool Car Park Wall | 590.00 | 0.00 | 590.00 |
| BACS | Maurice Parkinson | Burial Ground mowing | 396.00 | 66.00 | 330.00 |
| BACS | SLCC | Membership Fee | 55.50 | 0.00 | 55.50 |
| BACS | John Hyde | Lengthsman Works | 159.20 | | 159.20 |
| BACS | Pebworth VH | Rental PC meetings | 300.00 | 0.00 | 300.00 |
| BACS | Just Memorials Ltd | Refund of overpayment | 5.00 | | 5.00 |
| DD | ICO | Annual fee | 35.00 | 0.00 | 35.00 |
| DD | PWLB | Loan Repayment | 2096.28 | 0.00 | 2096.28 |
| DD | Nest | Clerk's Pension | 54.76 | | 54.76 |
| DD | Ionos | Email | 7.20 | 1.20 | 6.00 |
| DD | O2 | Mobile Phone | 17.28 | 2.88 | 14.40 |
| DD | Yu Energy | Streetlight Energy | 43.39 | 2.07 | 41.32 |
| DD | Yu Energy | Streetlight Energy | 174.97 | 8.33 | 166.64 |

APPENDIX B

County Councillor Report – Pebworth
Month: July 2023
Prepared by Alastair Adams
Littletons Division, Worcestershire County Council

A BIG THANK YOU to the volunteers in Broad Marston who helped with maintaining the flood alleviation scheme in the HOEF field – see below photo. Still some more work to be done to dig a channel



**NEW “SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR” SIGNAGE INSTALLED BY HIGHWAYS OUTSIDE
PEBWORTH SCHOOL**



Also new “grass-crete” installed by Highways on grass verge on School Lane to stop the verge being cut up by lorries. Once the grass grows, it will look like as before but won't need constantly repairing.



Highways:

There are still a lot of road and footway maintenance in progress in Worcestershire so there will be loads of road closures so please check <https://one.network/> to see all the temporary road closures on a regular basis.

- **30MPH speed limit in Stratford Rd from Badhams** towards Peabworth has now been extended and new 30mph signage erected.
- **The broken gully grate** on the junction with Elm Close has been reported and marked up for replacement and repaired all within a week!
- Opposite the pub on Chapel Rd by the Stratford Rd junction, there is a **noisy manhole** cover that clangs every time a vehicle drives over it. It has been reported for repair.
- **4 Blocked gullies** along Broad Marston Rd have been reported to be cleansed.
- **Flooding at Chalk Farm , Buckle Street** – Culvert jettied, and WDC have been requested to write to all resident asking them to maintain the ditches outside their properties.
- **Flooding in Dorsington Rd** at junction with Long Marston Rd. Highways have jettied the culverts under the road, and HOEF have been requested to dig out their ditches.

- REMINDER – Due to the **heavy rain storms** we have had recently, there is debris resting on top of some of the road gullies and this reduces the effectiveness of the drains. So if you can, please check the road gullies near your house and if needed remove the leaves. Blocked drains can be reported on <https://capublic.worcestershire.gov.uk/HighwaysFaultsPublic/DrainageFault.aspx>
- Abandon car in Pool car park has now been removed.
- Ditches along Pebworth Rd and Buckle Street need clearing. WCC & WDC are writing to the residents to remind them they are responsible for clearing the ditches outside their property.
- I have requested the roads are swept a couple of days before the Britain In Bloom inspection on 13th July.
- REMINDER – This is the time of the year where weeds and grass are growing fast and these can quickly damage roads and pavements if left unchecked. So I have asked the Parish Council to use their Lengthsman to apply weedkiller where necessary.

As always, if you have any issues on any Highways matters, please report it on the WCC website

http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/homepage/98/report_it

Also remember a photo of the Highways problem is as good as “a thousand words” so always take a photo where possible.

Planning Decision – W/22/02306/OUT Paddock off Dorsington Rd – Refused

Thank you for everyone that wrote into planning to object to the above – your voices were listened to and the planning has been rejected. See the decision notice below;-

The application site lies entirely outside of a defined settlement boundary as identified under Policy SWDP 2 of the South Worcestershire Development Plan 2016. The site is therefore defined as open countryside where development shall be strictly controlled. The proposed development would fail to accord with the provisions of policy SWDP2 part C of the SWDP. The proposed development would go against the SWDP Development Strategy and the sustainability principles it is based upon (as set out under policy SWDP2) in that it would not safeguard or enhance the open countryside contrary to provisions of South Worcestershire Development Plan, 2016 Policies SWDP 1 and SWDP 2 and guidance contained in the National Planning Policy Framework (2021). In light of the fact that the Council can demonstrate a supply of self-build dwellings to meet the need, it is acknowledged that the locational strategy for development in Policies SWDP1 and 2 are out of date. However, the impacts of the development would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits when assessed against the NPPF when taken as a whole. In its present form, the site contributes to the rural setting of the village of Pebworth and the adjacent conservation area, views towards nearby listed buildings and existing pond. The proposal would be visible from several public vantage points, including those within the conservation area and from the Public Right of Way 522 (C) to the north. The latter viewpoint is noted as a good example of the Village Claylands landscape type within the adopted Pebworth Neighbourhood Plan and is of special importance. The existing site also visually contributes to the ‘green, soft edge to the village’ that is identified in the Pebworth Conservation Area Appraisal.

County Council Divisional Fund

Applications for the Divisional Fund are invited from local community organisations that are manned by volunteers and require a little help to buy equipment or services. To apply, please contact me on adams.pebworth@gmail.com

The following grants have been requested, and some have already been approved & paid

1. Honeybourne Village Hall – grant to help provide a Senior Citizen lunch for the Coronation
2. Honeybourne School – grant to help build a “Growing Hope” garden
3. Honeybourne Bowls Club – grant for a contribution towards a new mat
4. Cleeve Prior Heritage Trust – grant for new tables
5. Pebworth Bells – grant to help improve their Website

Notice from the Police –Cannabis edibles awareness.

There has been an increase in cannabis edibles in circulation which are aimed towards Children and young adults. The attached images highlight the efforts to disguise the drug as legitimate sweets. Very concerning should the drug fall into the hands of Children, they are illegal and have the same affects as regular cannabis.

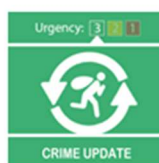
Please report to the Police on 999, or 101, or confidentially via Crimestoppers calling [0800 555 111](tel:0800555111) or by visiting their website: www.crimestoppers-uk.org

WHAT ARE CANNABIS EDIBLES?

- There are many forms of edibles, including
- Sweets
- Cakes
- Chocolates
- Biscuits
- Syrups
- Butter/Spread
- Oils
- Edibles contain cannabis oil which holds high amounts of THC – the psychoactive component of cannabis.
- THC remains illegal in the UK as a class B controlled drug - therefore cannabis edibles are a class B drug.







Solar panel theft.

We have received a report of a large scale theft from a solar panel farm on the outskirts of Broadway. Following on from some received information, Evesham SNT have worked with our Divisional support team and have located in excess of 550 stolen panels, a male suspect has been arrested on suspicion of theft. The solar panels were located just over our policing border in Gloucestershire. Enquiries are ongoing, and we are working with the solar farm to look at ways to prevent further thefts.

Rural crime is a priority, and we will continue to target the offenders who cause the most harm in our Community.



Your County Councillor, Alastair Adams can be contacted on adams.pebworth@gmail.com or mobile 07725 979 277 or www.alastairadams.org

APPENDIX C – VAS DATA

VAS Information

Broad Marston: Back Lane

Speed Intervals 5 MPH

Traffic Report From 28/06/2023 15:00:00 through 26/06/2023 14:59:59

85th Percentile Speed 33.6 MPH

85th Percentile Vehicles 5517 Max Speed 50 MPH on 07/64/2023 14:20:00

Total Vehicles 6491

Volumes - weekly counts

| | Time | 5 Day | 7 Day |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Average Daily | | 323 | 291 |
| AM Peak | 09:00 | 22 | 21 |
| PM Peak | 17:00 | 37 | 31 |

Speed

Speed limit : 30

85th Percentile Speed 33.6

50th Percentile Speed: 27.3

5 MPH Pace Interval: 25.0 to 30.0 MPH

Average Speed: 27.09

| | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat | Sun |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| Count over limit | 288 | 326 | 317 | 322 | 341 | 258 | 218 |
| % over limit | 30.1 | 33.1 | 31.7 | 31.6 | 30.1 | 33.0 | 35.4 |
| Avg Speeder | 33.8 | 34.0 | 34.3 | 33.9 | 34.1 | 34.1 | 34.2 |
| Avg Speed | 21.0 | 21.5 | 21.3 | 20.8 | 21.3 | 22.3 | 23.9 |

Broadmarston: Incoming

Speed Intervals 5 MPH

Traffic Report From 05/06/2023 00:00:00 through 22/05/2023 08:59:59

85th Percentile Speed 33.1 MPH

85th Percentile Vehicles 5781 Max Speed 50 MPH on 30/04/2023 23:40:00

Total Vehicles 6801

Volumes - weekly counts

| | Time | 5 Day | 7 Day |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Average Daily | | 317 | 291 |
| AM Peak | 07:00 | 25 | 20 |
| PM Peak | 14:00 | 36 | 31 |

Speed

Speed limit : 30
85th Percentile Speed 33.1
50th Percentile Speed: 27.8
5 MPH Pace Interval: 30.0 to 35.0 MPH
Average Speed: 27.3

| | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat | Sun |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| Count over limit | 252 | 282 | 351 | 329 | 374 | 298 | 212 |
| % over limit | 29.1 | 30.3 | 32.9 | 30.9 | 35.7 | 30.0 | 25.5 |
| Avg Speeder | 33.6 | 33.2 | 33.6 | 33.3 | 33.6 | 33.5 | 34.0 |
| Avg Speed | 20.3 | 20.3 | 20.2 | 19.3 | 20.4 | 21.7 | 21.1 |