

Pebworth Parish Council
Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting of the Parish Council held
At the Village Hall, Pebworth on Monday 6th March 2023

Present: Councillors: Richard Weller (Chairman), Simon Shiers, James Pearson, John Hyde, Sam Parkins & David Cranage

In attendance: Mrs D Bowles (Clerk)

Also in attendance: 4 members of the public.

1.	Apologies Considered for Absence: Cllr Meynell - accepted
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"> - The footway in Front St was repaired 18 months ago, although not finished correctly. Clerk to request the remedial works be carried out under the Lengthsman scheme. - Shrubbery overhanging footway on bottom of Front St, resident to clear. - The annual litter pick has been carried out. The Parish Council gave their thanks to the volunteers for the time and effort put in. - Query raised regarding tarmac works carried out recently by Highways – this has now cracked. Resident advised to return to Highways as this will fall under the warranty. - Question was raised regarding colours and materials of play equipment - to be discussed under agenda item 9. - Query was raised regarding the provision of a burial ground once the current area is full. Councillors advised that the Parish Council does not legally have to provide a burial ground and there is plenty of space for the foreseeable future. If felt necessary, it could be investigated in 15-20 years time. b) District Councillor Havemann-Mart sent his apologies. c) County Councillor Adams, sent his apologies however a report has been received and is appended to the minutes. (Appendix B) The Chairman closed the open forum and reconvened the meeting at 19:20
4.	Ward Member's Report County Councillor Adams & District Councillor Havemann-Mart sent their apologies.
5.	Acceptance of Minutes: The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6 th February 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: a) W /22/02242/FUL - Proposal: Demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings and construction of a replacement dwelling. Location: Walnut Tree Cottage, Front Street, Pebworth, Stratford Upon Avon, CV37 8XQ. To note additional information by way of a Heritage Impact Assessment was received and further comments were invited. No further comments were made. Decisions: b) 21/000035/CM - Proposal: Retention of existing facilities, operations and access at MRW Long Marston: the installation of a wash plant and associated infrastructure for the processing of inert materials, to produce sorting shed, workshop permitted under 18/000048/CM, and the provision of a new site office. Location: Long Marston Works, Long Marston Road, Long Marston, near Stratford Upon Avon, CV37 8AQ. Permission Granted Subject to Conditions. c) 21/02785/CU - Change of use of land from agriculture to residential and erection of five domestic outbuildings and two shipping containers ancillary to the dwelling house "Dutch Barn" (retrospective). Location: The Dutch Barn, Crabtree Farm, Dorsington Road, Dorsington, Pebworth, Stratford Upon Avon, CV37 8AP. Application approved subject to conditions.
7.	Finance: a) Council noted no payments had been made since the last meeting.

	<p>b) Council approved the schedule of payments to be made by internet banking as appended to the minutes.</p> <p>c) Council noted the S137 limit for 2023/24 has been announced as £9.93. This is an increase from the current year which is £8.82</p>
8.	<p>Council & Community Matters:</p> <p>a) Members noted the Meon Way Gardens (MWGs) – The Residents’ Association (MVRA) February Report.</p> <p>b) Members noted the Clerk had contacted Citizen regarding deficiencies in a property in Meon Way Gardens. Whilst Citizen could not speak about specific cases owing to GDPR they did state the property is still under Persimmon’s warranty.</p> <p>c) Clerk still awaiting an update from Persimmon regarding the supply of dog bins.</p> <p>d) Members noted County Councillor Adams’ & District Cllr Havemann-Mart’s responses regarding streetlighting at Meon Way Gardens. This is ongoing. Clerk to also contact Planning to seek advice, copying in County Councillor Adams & District Councillor Havemann-Mart.</p> <p>e) Members noted the response to the South Warwickshire Local Plan Part 1 – Issues and Options Consultation – 2023. (Appendix B) Cllrs thanked Cllr Cranage for putting together a response.</p>
9.	<p>Pebworth in Bloom</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>
10.	<p>The Close & Recreation Field</p> <p>Following the decision to select Wicksteed as the preferred tenderer, subject to clarification of a number of detailed matters and agreement of timescales, Members met with Wicksteed. Several issues could not be resolved to the satisfaction of Members, particularly in relation to the availability of appropriate colours. The Clerk was therefore requested to bring Kompan back into the discussions due to those issues as a contract had not been formally entered into with Wicksteed.</p> <p>After a lengthy, detailed discussion a vote was held with a majority of Members being in favour of now appointing Kompan as the preferred tenderer. It was therefore resolved that the Parish Council would inform Wicksteed that they were no longer the preferred tenderer, as they have not been able to deliver the colours required, and to appoint Kompan with the terms being the equipment is produced and supplied in the colours specified by the Members, and is installed, finished and handed over by 30 June.</p>
11.	<p>Cemetery:</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>
12.	<p>Allotments:</p> <p>Members noted all invoices have been sent.</p>
13.	<p>Streetlighting:</p> <p>Members noted Clerk has reported that one of the new streetlights in Elm Close is faulty. This is still under warranty and has been reported.</p>
14.	<p>Highway Matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members noted grasscrete blocks are the preferred engineering solution to the verge opposite the school. A work pack is being prepared for 1 m wide section from where the damage first starts to the BT cabinet. It will then drop to 500mm wide around the bend to where the damage ceases. This is to avoid extra works to gain permission from BT to lower their cabinet. No date set for these works as yet. - New VAS pole has been installed on Back Lane.
15.	<p>Lengthsman/Handyman Matters:</p> <p>a) Works carried out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Replaced bollards on Front St - John has recently undertaken a refresher day for the Lengthsman position. <p>b) Future Tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It was resolved for Clerk to contact the Lengthsman service to find out whether the repairs on Front St can be carried out under the scheme. If not, Members approved the repairs to be carried out by the Parish Council. <p>c) VAS data was noted and is appended to the minutes (Appendix D)</p>
16.	<p>Public Rights of Way:</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>
17.	<p>Matters Raised by Members: The following matters were raised by Council Members for consideration for future agendas:</p> <p>a) Cllr Hyde requested permission for Choir members to use the Recreation field to park 10th June. – Permission granted.</p> <p>b) Consider using old play equipment for picnic tables and benches</p>
18.	<p>Policy Reviews:</p>

	a) Risk Assessment Schedule b) Data Protection & Information Security Policy c) Asset Register – slight amendments to be made. These were all reviewed and agreed.
19.	Date of Next Meeting: Council confirmed the date of the next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on Monday 3 rd April 2023 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall, Pebworth. Council confirmed the date of the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.00pm on Monday 24 th April 2023 at the Village Hall, Pebworth.
20.	Closure of Meeting: The Chairman closed the meeting at 20:45 hrs

Chairman: _____ Date: _____

FINANCE

Verified & Confirmed Account Balances as at 8th February 2023

Treasurers Account	1,016.41
Business Bank Instant	42,717.48
Total	43,733.89

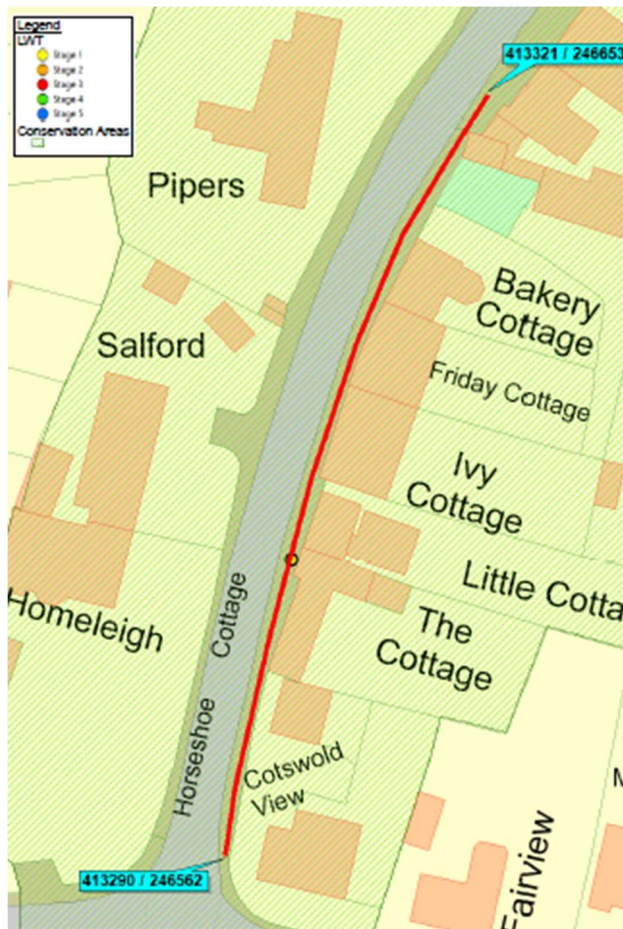
PAYMENT	PAYEE	DETAILS	TOTAL	VAT	NET
BACS	HMRC	Clerk & P C Tax & NIC	****		***
BACS	Mrs D Bowles	Clerk's Salary & Expenses	****		***
BACS	Mr J Hyde	Lman Works	186.40		186.40
DD	Nest	Clerk's Pension	54.76		54.76
DD	Ionos	Email	6.00	1.00	5.00
DD	O2	Mobile Phone	14.74	2.46	12.28
DD	Yu Energy	Streetlight Energy	47.23	2.25	44.98
DD	Yu Energy	Streetlight Energy	231.07	11.00	220.07

APPENDIX B –

County Councillor Report – Pebworth
Month: March 2023
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The good news is the pavement in Friday Street is going to be resurfaced. It is scheduled to be done 13th – 21st April just after the pavements in Chapel Rd and Broad Marston Rd are done.

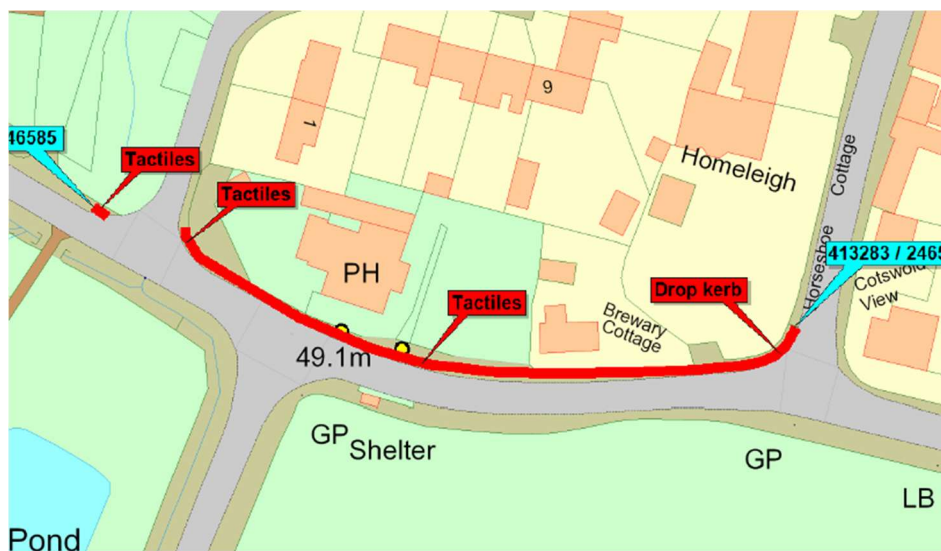
Plan below shows the extent of the resurfacing in Friday Street – please note I have reminded Highways to retain the blue lias kerb stones as in Conservation Area.



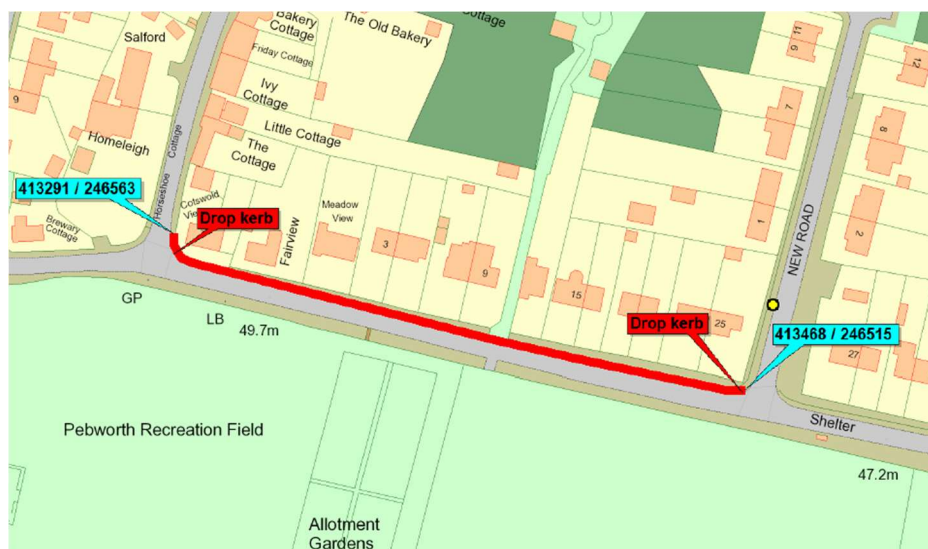
Highways:

There are still road closures so please check <https://one.network/> to see all the temporary road closures on a regular basis.

- The Cracks on the pavements in Front Street and Chapel Rd are to be treated with a new mastic filler as a trial. The works were going to be on 10th Feb but have had to be postponed due to staffing issues. Awaiting new date.
- The owner of the car in the Pool Car Park Toyota M14 YSY which has no tax or MOT, has assured me it will be removed from the car park this month.
- There are a lot of leaves 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>
- The pavements near the pub in Chapel Rd to be resurfaced scheduled for 28th March – 31st March – see plans below.

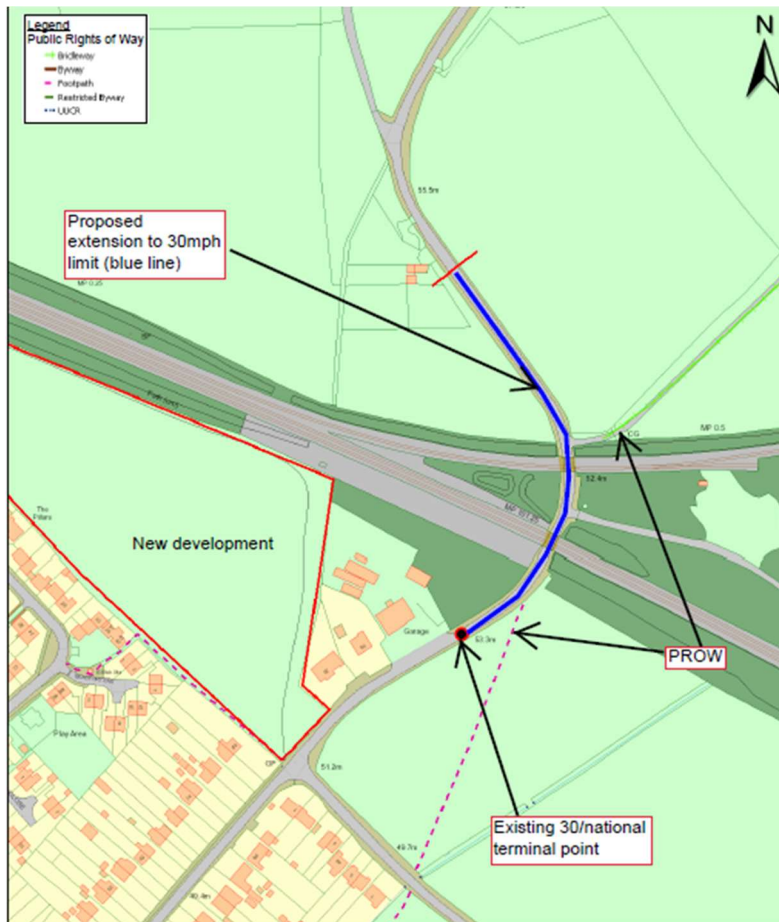


- Large section of the pavement in Broad Marston Rd was resurfaced last year, and the remaining stretch is scheduled to be done on 3rd April to 12th April. – see map below.



This means the roads Chapel Rd/Broad Marston Rd and Friday Street will be closed during these dates. Highways apologise for the inconvenience

30MPH speed limit from Badhams to be extended along Stratford Rd towards Pebworth – see map above.



- Long Marston Rd, will also be closed 10/5/23- 12/5/23 whilst Severn Trent install 2 x Hydrants



- The grass verge opposite the school near the junction with Back Lane keeps getting tyre ruts in it as lorries go on the verge when cars are parked outside the school. The Parish Council has asked for a long term solution and Highways have recommended Grasscrete is installed under the grass so when lorries to drive over it, ruts are not formed. A quote is bring prepared by Highways for this work.

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.

County Council Divisional Fund

Applications for the Divisional Fund is now closed until the new financial year starting 1st April.

Grants processed so far:

1. The Pebworth Collective – for the Platinum Jubilee celebrations
2. Honeybourne Bowls Club – new mat and storage
3. Honeybourne Cricket Club – Cricket equipment
4. 1st Littleton Scout Group – improvements to the toilets
5. Cleeve Prior Heritage Trust – Poetry books for school visits
6. Cleeve Prior – contribution to security to the Marquee over the Jubilee Weekend.
7. Pebworth in Bloom – contribution to developing the wetlands area at Wesley Gardens
8. Bretforton Show – display boards
9. Offenham Village Hall – new foldable tables
10. Littletons Village Hall – new cupboards
11. Littletons Juniors – new goal posts
12. Meon View Residents Association – grant for the Children’s Halloween event
13. Offenham Cricket Club – contribution to mower
14. Badsey Rangrs Football Club – new nets
15. Bowers Hill Residents Association Badsey – new batteries and pad for their defibrillator
16. Honeybourne Village Fete Committee – grant for portable loos
17. Friends of the Honeybourne School - grant for new IT
18. Cleeve Prior Heritage Trust - grant for tools
19. Pebworth in Bloom - wire guards to protect the new trees from deer

New VeloPark is now open in Evesham

It is a £2m investment and fantastic new park offering 1km closed road circuit, pump track, all-ability circuit, cyclo-cross course, & a learn to ride track.

Read more <https://eveshamvelopark.co.uk/>

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APPENDIX C - response to the South Warwickshire Local Plan Part 1 – Issues and Options Consultation – 2023

Honeybourne railway station is turning into the preferable railway station for people and businesses with property and other interests in the area around Long Marston. This places additional pressure on roads in the vicinity of Honeybourne railway station, which were not designed for the level of use that they are experiencing.

Of special concern to Pebworth Parish Council is the “C” road route to Honeybourne railway station via Pebworth, parts of which are designated a conservation area. The route is single lane in parts, has 90° bends, two low railway bridges and in the conservation area, properties abutting the carriageway boundary.

In the event that further housing is constructed at Long Marston in the numbers suggested, Pebworth Parish Council would strongly support the provision of high-quality public transport links, preferably rail, to/from Long Marston, with a railway station at Long Marston.

APPENDIX D – VAS DATA**VAS Information**

Broad Marston

Project Notes:

Location/Name: Incoming

Speed Intervals 5 MPH

Time Intervals Instant

Traffic Report From 13/02/2023 13:00:00 through 06/03/2023 09:59:59

85th Percentile Speed 33.5 MPH

85th Percentile Vehicles 4326 Max Speed 50 MPH on 24/02/2023 14:45:00

Total Vehicles 5089

AADT: 243

Volumes - weekly counts

	Time	5 Day	7 Day
Average Daily		249	233
AM Peak	08:00	21	19
PM Peak	04:00	29	25

Speed

Speed limit : 30

85th Percentile Speed 33.5

50th Percentile Speed: 28.2

5 MPH Pace Interval: 25.0 to 30.0 MPH

Average Speed: 27.94

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Count over limit	253	278	282	289	283	209	176
% over limit	36.1	35.1	35.2	35.5	35.2	31.8	33.8
Avg Speeder	33.4	33.4	33.5	33.5	33.7	33.7	33.6
Avg Speed	20.7	20.8	21.0	21.3	21.5	22.2	22.5