

Pebworth Parish Council
Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting of the Parish Council held
At the Village Hall, Pebworth on Monday 12th May 2025

Present: Councillors: Richard Weller, Simon Shiers, Jodi Cotton & Alex Neal

In attendance: Mrs D Bowles (Clerk), County Councillor Robson, District Councillors Hannah Robson & Judith Ciotti

Also in attendance: 3 members of the public.

1.	Election of Chairman: Cllr Richard Weller was nominated by Cllr Shiers & seconded by Cllr Cotton and being the only nominee was elected as Chairman unopposed.
2.	Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office: Cllr Weller signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, witnessed by the Clerk to the Parish Council.
3.	Apologies Considered for Absence: Cllrs Pearson, Cranage & McCluskey - accepted
4.	Register of Interests: Members are reminded of the need to keep their register of interests up to date. Members are reminded that they must act solely in the public interest and should never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person or act to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, a friend, or close associate. Disclosure of Interests Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda and their nature. None declared. Members to declare any other disclosable interests in items of the agenda and their nature. None declared.
5.	Election of Vice-Chairman: Cllr James Pearson was proposed by Cllr Weller and seconded by Cllr Shiers and elected as Vice Chairman.
6.	Appointment of Committees: Staffing Committee: Cllrs Weller & Pearson were appointed to this Committee, with the possibility of adding a further Member if necessary.
7.	Appointment to Working Groups: Finance – It was agreed all members will form the group. Pebworth in Bloom – Cllr Shiers Meon Way Gardens – Cllr Weller proposed a Working Group be set up to have a point of contact for MWG residents. Cllrs Cotton, McCluskey & Neal were appointed to this Group.
8.	Appoint Councillors to the following roles: Playing Fields Warden – it was resolved for the Lengthsman to continue carrying out weekly checks.
9.	Document Reviews: a) Standing Orders – the amendments were noted and unanimously accepted. b) Financial Regulations – the amendments were noted and unanimously accepted. c) Amendment or updates to the Council's burial ground fees – no amendments proposed d) Recreation Ground Terms & Conditions for Use – no amendments proposed e) Risk Management Policy – this was unanimously approved
10.	Dispensations: a) No dispensations requested.
11.	Closure of Meeting: The Chairman closed the meeting at 19:10 hrs.

Chairman: _____ Date: _____