

PEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for the Meeting

Wednesday 17th April 2019, 7.00pm in Pembridge Parish Hall

Councillors Present: Cllrs Garfield Evans (Chairman), Andrew Pace (Vice Chairman), Tom Bennetto, Philip Thomas, Philip Rogers, Michael Hancock, Roger Phillips, Julie Mifflin, Catherine Fothergill, and Clerk R Bissell.

No Police representative present.

0 Members of the public.

196/18. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr John Purslow, Steve Jones, David Owens & Kevin Duggan.

197/18. Declaration of interest and written requests for dispensation on agenda items.

The register of interest book was available to sign. There were no declarations made.

198/18. Approval of the minutes.

The minutes of the meeting of 20th March 2019 were **approved** unanimously and signed.

199/18. Open session.

Ward Councillor report.

- Cllr Phillips is currently in Purdah.

200/18. Planning applications for comment.

It was **RESOLVED** to submit the following observations to Herefordshire Council regarding the following planning applications.

Planning Application recently received:

- 191111 – Pembridge School, West Street, Pembridge, HR6 9EA - **SUPPORT**.
Works to lime tree -pollarding to re-grow. Sycamore felling and replant with cherry.
- 190794 – Field View, Lower Green Farm, Gorsty, Pembridge, HR6 9JG. - **OBJECT**
Removal of Condition 6 following grant of planning permission to remove agricultural occupancy.

Recent Planning Applications recently considered awaiting determination:

- 190642 – Star Cottage, East Street, HR6 9HB - **SUPPORT**
Propose to form opening internally to accommodate new staircase for easy bedroom access. In addition providing stairlift.
- 190084 – Bartbety Barn Bearwood, HR6 9EQ. - **SUPPORT**
Conversion of attached garage/store into additional living accommodation.
- 190388 – Land at Home Paddock, Sherriff Lane, HR5 3JD. - **SUPPORT**
Variation condition 2 of application 180936. Various changes to approved plans.
- 182726 – Land forming part of Green Farm, Lyonshall, Kington – **NO COMMENT**
Hybrid planning – proposed erection of new poultry site with solar panels, biomass boilers, associated buildings and development to A480. Outline planning for a poultry managers' dwelling
- 183281 & 2 Re- consultation - Swan House, West Street, Pembridge
Proposed five bedroom dwelling to the rear of Swan House. - **FURTHER OBJECTION**
- 183871 – The Grove, Noke Lane, Pembridge HR6 9HP. - **SUPPORT**
Installation of a waterwheel and channel adjacent to the existing weir.
- 182652 – Land to the rear of the Gables, East Street, Pembridge HR6 9HD - **OBJECT**
Proposed erection of 9 dwellings
(note replace applications 172233 – 5 dwellings, 172242 1 x self build & 172234 1 x self build – all withdrawn).
- 182073 – Shobdon Airfield, Airfield road, Shobdon, Herefordshire. – **NO OBJECTION**.
Retrospective for free fall parachuting, the operation for tandem and solo jumps.
- 172253 – Land at Townsend farm, East Street, Pembridge. - **SUPPORT**
Proposed 5 dwellings with garages. Formation of vehicular access.

Planning Decisions.

- 190023 – Little Willow Barn, Pembridge, HR6 9HA. - **SUPPORT – DECISION - REFUSED**
Extension to existing dwelling.

- 190207 – Rose Cottage, Bearwood, HR6 9EQ.- **SUPPORT – APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**
Proposed workshop.
- 183281 & 2 Swan House, West Street, Pembridge – **OBJECT – REFUSED**
Proposed five bedroom dwelling to the rear of Swan House.

201/18. Finance Report and approve payments.

Transfer complete of £10,000 to tracker account. VAT claim made for period to 31.3.19.

Bank reconciliations completed using VT cashbook for March 2019.

Balances at end March 2019:

Current Account:	£ 19445.99
Tracker Account:	£ 15959.06 (including £2.97 interest)
National Savings Account:	£ 11925.98

Income since last meeting:

Openreach Wayleave	£ 8.82
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Requests for payment: Payments Approved Unanimously.

Toilet Cleaner, Clerk's salary & HMRC for April 2019 as previously agreed by Parish Council

NEST pension contribution as per agreed payment schedule.

Zen Internet	Website domain and c-panel fees 2019 (paid)	£109.38	+VAT
West Mercia Energy	Feb Elec toilet block	£16.82	+VAT
Richard Mills	Footway repair Bridge Street	£140.75	+VAT
James Ross	Mowing	£160.00	
Pembridge Parish Hall	Meetings Jan – Mar 2019	£64.00	
Viking	Paper	£17.27	+VAT
HALC	Subscription Fees	£587.87	+VAT
Michael Hancock	Footpath expenses to Mar 2019	£33.30	

202/18. Clerks report.

- Further letter forwarded to Herefordshire Council regarding Turnpike
- Offered proposal of help from PiPs with the school frontage maintenance.
- Requested quotes for work to clock tower.
- Investigating grant funding for works to the clock tower – ongoing
- Published notice of poll and election results.
- Requested 2018-19 P3 grant claim from Balfour Beatty.
- Due to bad weather, Welsh Water have been unable to complete repair works on the track to the Treatment works. New arrangements are being made and further report expected on 29th April.
- West Mercia energy have published 12 months capped electricity prices at 13.841 per unit.
- Questionnaires have been completed for Herefordshire Planning team regarding site allocation timescales.

All other items are being dealt with and are ongoing.

203/18. Review Code of Conduct.

New legislation under the Localism Act amendments state that parish councils must adopt either the awaited Local Government Authority (LGA) Code of Conduct or their principal authority code. Councillors **AGREED** to adopt Herefordshire Council code of conduct and review when the LGA code when it is published.

204/18. Parish Council elections on 2 May 2019.

The clerk provided an election update advising all notices had been published for the Elections department. Nominations closed on 3rd April. Twelve nominations were received from interested persons for the thirteen seats in Pembridge parish, these councillors stand uncontested and there will be no election on May 2nd. The new council term starts 7th May 2019 for a four-year term. Cllr Evans expressed thanks to all councillors for their time, efforts and support in this term.

205/18. Management at Turnpike Travellers' site.

Herefordshire Council have forwarded a further response providing management details and schedules for visits of Turnpike site as requested. Councillors accepted the schedules and will continue to review how the site is managed to prevent future issues arising.

206/18. Repair Work to the Clock Tower.

At the recent service of the clock tower, it was suggested repair works are made to the higher pullies due to wear and tear. The clerk provided three quotes for the considered repair works.

Councillors discussed the options and **AGREED** before the repairs are undertaken a visit of the site would be made to consider a view on installing an electronic winding system at this time instead of making the required repairs. Clerk to confirm safety of site and advise further time required to consider options.

207/18. Report from Pembridge Show.

Cllr Mifflin updated Councillors that the show was moving to the Millennium Meadow this year without the trotting races and would welcome helpers. As a trial, there will be no entry fee this time just a donations box for those attending. She requested help publishing the event. Cllr Hancock to produce a newsletter article. Event to be advertised on the website.

208/18. Correspondence.

- East Radnor Day Care – Trustee information and search for new trustees – Noted.
- Seafarers flying the red ensign flag – Noted.

209/18. Future Agenda from Councillors and members of the public.**210/18. To confirm date of next meeting as**

Date: Wednesday 8th May 2019 – Annual Parish Meeting - Parish Hall at 7.00pm

Date: Wednesday 15th May 2019 – Annual Parish Council Meeting - Parish Hall at 7.00pm

Meeting Closed 8.05pm.