

PEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for the Meeting

Wednesday 16th March 2022, 7.30pm – Pembridge Parish Hall

Councillors Present: Cllrs Garfield Evans (Chair), Andrew Pace (Vice Chairman), Steve Jones, Tom Bennetto, Catherine Fothergill, Wendy Powell, Roger Phillips, Philip Rogers & Clerk R Bissell.

No Police representative present.

0 Members of the public.

158/21. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Philip Thomas, Kevin Duggan, David Owens, Michael Hancock & Julie Mifflin

159/21. Declaration of interest and written requests for dispensation on agenda items.

There were no declarations of interest on agenda items. The Declaration of Interest book was available to sign.

160/21. Approval of the minutes.

The minutes of the meeting of 16th February 2022 were **approved** unanimously and signed by the Chairman.

161/21. Open session.

No Police report

Ward Councillor reported:

- Pembridge 20mph speed limit is being phased over 12 months so data can be collected on its effectiveness.
- Council tax rise is set at 3%
- A meeting of ward NDP chairs took place to discuss concerns over the Local Plan.
- Herefordshire Council has been allocated funds from the 2.5bn governments prosperity fund. Cllr Phillips is pushing for more spend in rural communities.

162/21. Planning applications for comment.

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

Planning Report

Planning Application recently received:

- 220735 – Townsend Farm house, East Street, Pembridge HR6 9HB- **SUPPORT**
Remove apple tree and replace with apple tree. Remove 2 conifers - too close to house and neighbour property All at risk following recent storms
- 220644 – Clearbrook Farm, Pembridge, HR6 9HL- **SUPPORT**
Creation of new window and installation of rainwater good and installation of baluster to existing staircase internally.

Recent Planning Applications recently considered awaiting determination:

- 220193 – Rectory Cottage, Parsons Walk, Pembridge, HR6 9EU - **SUPPORT**
Proposed works to T1; Yew tree, excessive shading and growing close to building. Pollard at 10ft. T2; Yew tree, dying, pollard to 6ft. to encourage re growth? if it doesn't totally die
- 220107 – The Green, Pembridge, HR6 9HL. - **SUPPORT**
Proposed works to a mature willow tree that recently dropped a trunk over the road is to be coppiced. 5 young willows to be coppiced.
- 220056 – Luntley Court Farm, Pembridge HR6 9EH. - **SUPPORT**
Conversion of existing barns into holiday accommodation including link structure, treatment plant removal of bays of modern buildings and pumping station and auxiliary works.
- 214380 – The Gables, East Street, HR6 9HB- **SUPPORT**
Proposed replacement dwelling.
- 213249 – Lower green Farm, Pembridge, HR6 9JG -- **SUPPORT**
Amended – proposed siting of 3 holiday accommodation units with landscaping, drainage & parking.
- 213500 – Bearwood Farm House, Bearwood, HR6 9EE -**SUPPORT**

- Proposed demolition of existing two storey and replace with single storey.
- 213249 – Lower Green Farm, Pembridge, HR6 9JG **-SUPPORT**
Siting of 3 holiday accommodation units with landscaping, drainage and parking.
- 213042 – Land forming Green Farm, Lyonshall, HR5 3JY **-OBJECT**
Proposed new poultry site with solar panels, associated buildings and managers dwelling.
- 212917 – Court of Noke, Noke Lane, Pembridge, HR6 9HW. **-SUPPORT**
Erection of eighteenth-century reused porch and insertion of stable door to replace brickwork.
- 211477 – Tibhall Farm, Broxwood, HR6 9JR- **SUPPORT**
Proposed new agricultural building at Tibhall Farm
- 201102 – Land adjacent to Pembridge Village Hall, Bearwood Lane, HR6 9EB - **SUPPORT**
Fell 3-4 Leylandii trees T4 due to excessive shading to be replaced with mixed hedging
- 193126 – Fairfield Cottage, 12 Court Meadow, Pembridge HR6 9EW - **SUPPORT**
Fell Silver birch due to damage and falling sap.

Planning Decisions;

- 214508 – Moor Court Cottages, Lyonshall, Kington, HR5 3JZ- **SUPPORT– APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**
Proposed single storey extension on rear of property.
- 214474 – Bonds Green Farm, Broxwood, HR6 9JJ- **SUPPORT – APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**
Proposed erection of a stable block.
- 214418 – Lower Green Farm Cottages, Gorsty, Pembridge- **SUPPORT– APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**
Demolition of existing semi-detached dwellings and proposed single house with outbuildings.
- 214315 – Star Cottage, East Street, Pembridge HR6 9HB- **SUPPORT– APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**
Proposed installation of lift through joisted timber floor between ground floor & utility area and first floor.

163/21. Clerks report.

- Met with Lengthsman at Marston to discuss drainage works and awaiting quote to complete a drainage grant application.
- Confirmed Mowing Contract for 2022 and arranged for strimming of bonfire area on Millennium meadow.
- Uploaded Local Core Strategy response to Herefordshire Council
- Requested new No HGV signs at Luntley.
- Balfour Beatty draft annual plan for highway and drainage works forwarded to councillors
- Requested reinstatement of grass triangle and signage on junction of Cabal Lane to Rhyse Lane.

All other items are being dealt with and are ongoing.

164/21. Finance Report and Approve Payments.

Bank reconciliation for 28th February 2022 complete using VT cashbook.

Balances at 28th February 2022

Current Account:	£ 26455.53
Tracker Account:	£ 16005.87 (including 40p interest)
National Savings Account:	£ 12109.15 (including £1.21 interest)

Income since last meeting:

RBL jubilee apple tree purchases	£ 100.00
Donation to Memorial Steps	£ 500.00
Openreach wayleave	£ 8.82

Payments for Approval

Toilet Cleaner, Clerk salary & HMRC for March 2022 as previously agreed by Parish Council

NEST pension contribution as per agreed payment schedule

Clerks Exp		£32.00	+VAT
Viking Direct	Stationery/ink/paper	£133.99	+VAT
West Mercia Energy	Dec 21 Electricity in the toilets	£20.89	+VAT
Kington Building Supplies	Postcrete	£13.45	+VAT
James Ross	Mowing Mar 22	£250.00	
Zen Direct Debit	Website domain services	£121.38	+VAT
One Stop print	Magazine Apr-May22	£340.00	

165/21. Comment for Herefordshire Council draft Environmental Building Standards Supplementary Planning Document (EBS SPD) consultation.

Councillors **AGREED** for Cllr Pace & the clerk to comment on this consultation by 13th April 2022, as it sets out best practice recommendations to drive up design and sustainable construction.

166/21. Pembridge Good Neighbour Scheme.

The Chairman of the Pembridge Good Neighbour Scheme addressed Parish Council. She advised that following the special general meeting last week the committee decided to dissolve the scheme as of 31st March 2022. In her report she explained that along with a decline in members to stand as officers and run the scheme there was also reduced call for their service in recent months. She advised the funds currently held would be shared between local charitable group and community wheels. There is a possibility that the monthly coffee morning would continue with the support of the Events for Pembridge group. The Chair thanked Mrs Stokes for all her involvement and dedication to the Pembridge Good Neighbour Scheme and said he was saddened to see it close.

167/21. Balfour Beatty Lengthsman scheme 2022.

Councillors **AGREED** to join the Parish Lengthsman scheme for 2022. *Clerk to advise and forward expression of interest form and complete annual contract*

Clerk

168/21. Parish Verge Cutting 2022.

Councillors **AGREED** for two verge cuts for 2022. *Clerk to request.*

Clerk

169/21. Jubilee Garden Project.

Cllr Rogers provided an update on the PiPs project behind the Red Lion to turn scrub ground into a jubilee garden. The group are supported by a local garden designer and are working to clear the area for planting. Cllr Rogers requested Parish Council support the purchase of items on behalf of PiPs. Councillors **AGREED** for the clerk's discretion to raise payments as required.

Clerk

170/21. Talk Parish Event 22nd March 2022.

The previously named parish summit event by Herefordshire Council is taking place via Zoom on 22nd March – Cllr Pace and the Clerk to attend.

AP

Clerk

171/21. HGV concerns on C1081 to Sherrington.

Cllr Pace raised local concern regarding heavy goods vehicles travelling the C1081 to Sherrington Farm. Councillors discussed traffic issues on minor routes and concluded there was very little it could do but request courtesy from local business and hauliers to prevent road and verge damage and consideration for resident safety. *Cllr Pace to visit*

AP

172/21. West Mercia crime prevention initiative presentation – “We don’t buy crime”.

Correspondence received from Nick Hall from West Mercia Police offering to attend a Parish Council meeting to present on the smart water kits and offer information on the we don't buy crime initiative. Councillors decided the initiative was not suitable at this time.

AP

173/21 Correspondence.

- Talk Parish survey on the format of future meetings - comments by 20th April. *AP to respond*
- A note from Mrs Price following thank you letter for her service as Parish Hall Treasurer – Noted.

174/21. Future Agenda from Councillors and members of the public.

None.

175/21. To confirm date of next meeting as

Wednesday 13th April 2022 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Meeting Closed 8.27pm