

PEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for the Meeting

Wednesday 26th February 2020, 7.00pm in Pembridge Parish Hall

Councillors Present: Cllrs Garfield Evans, Andrew Pace (Vice Chairman), Tom Bennetto, Catherine Fothergill, Wendy Powell, David Owens, Michael Hancock, Philip Thomas & Clerk R Bissell.

No Police representative present.

13 Members of the public.

134/19. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from, Cllrs Philip Rogers, Kevin Duggan, Julie Mifflin, Steve Jones and Roger Phillips.

135/19. 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.

136/19. Approval of the minutes.

The minutes of the meeting of 15th January 2020 were **approved** unanimously and signed.

137/19. Open session.

The Ward Councillor provided a written report previously circulated to councillors covering:

- Storm Dennis impacts
- Earmarked bypass funding of £2m diverted to U & C roads maintenance.
- HGV damaged vehicle on Bridge street and a request for signage.
- Phosphates update.

138/19. Gigaclear installations in Pembridge.

Mr Daniel Craig from Dalcour McClaren attended on behalf of Gigaclear to answer queries regarding the planned installations in Pembridge Village. He explained this is a government initiative to provide faster broadband to rural areas. Gigaclear are looking to obtain agreements with private landowners to allow implementation of its infrastructure. Only landowners where an installation is planned have been contacted. Parishioners asked questions and were advised Gigaclear Community Liaison, Ben Stone will be arranging a public meeting in the near future to provide further information.

Councillors discussed the green box and POT installation on the Village Green and agreed in principle to the agreement but will delay signing it until details for a wayleave have been investigated. *Clerk to instruct G Wall at McCartney to act as agent.*

139/19. Access from Car Park & other Car Park issues.

Mr Kelly presented details of his request for access to his property from the car park. Councillors discussed the details and agreed in principle to allow temporary access until December 31st 2020, fee to be agreed and revisit the permanent access request after works completion. *Clerk to prepare draft agreement*

140/19. Planning applications for comment.

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

Planning Report

Application 183281 for a 5 bedrooomed dwelling behind Swan House –

Hereford Council determination – Refusal 11.4.19 – Applicant appealed to planning inspectorate –

Decision -Appeal dismissed 17.2.2020.

Planning Application recently received:

- 200334 – Pembridge School HR6 9EA - **SUPPORT**
Conifer Tree to fell excessive shading to neighbours property.
- 200302 – 6 Ruby Drive, Pembridge HR6 9FE – **OBJECT not owner**

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- Remove diseased & rotten wood from overgrown alder tree & replace with native species.
- 200218 – Church House, Market Square, Pembridge HR6 9DZ- **SUPPORT**
Proposed pollard ash tree interfering with main power line.
- 200245 – Eastview, East Street, Pembridge HR6 9HA. - **SUPPORT**
Proposed tree works - various
- 194380 – Clearbrook Farm, Pembridge HR6 9HL- **SUPPORT**
Internal refurbishment for house including loft conversion, replacement windows, installation of bathrooms and repairs to timber frame.
- 200036 – Melvin House, Bearwood Lane, Pembridge HR6 9DZ- **SUPPORT**
Proposed garden room.

Recent Planning Applications recently considered awaiting determination:

- 194275 – Lower Green Farm, Pembridge HR6 9JG. - **SUPPORT**
Proposed siting of sheperd’s hut for use as holiday accommodation
- 193863 – Threshing Barn at Luntley Court, Pembridge HR6 9EH **SUPPORT**
Conversion of agricultural threshing barn to domestic use with accommodation on 2 floors and construction of detached car port and store.
- 194008 - Land at The Old Oak House, East Street, Pembridge, Herefordshire, HR6 9HA **SUPPORT**
The erection of three self-build dwellings and associated works including the demolition of the former doctor's surgery and access improvements.
- 193126 – Fairfield Cottage, 12 Court Meadow, Pembridge HR6 9EW - **SUPPORT**
Fell Silver birch due to damage and falling sap.
- 191863 – 3 Glan Arrow Cottages, Bridge Street, Pembridge HR6 9EX - **SUPPORT**
Proposal to replace 8 existing window casements with like for like replacements.
- 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
- 183871 – The Grove, Noke Lane, Pembridge HR6 9HP. -**SUPPORT**
Installation of a waterwheel and channel adjacent to the existing weir.

Planning Decisions.

- 200011 – The Old Rectory, Pembridge, HR6 9EU. – **SUPPORT – Approved with Conditions**
Crown reduction 40% due to tree damage.
- 200068 – Pembridge Primary School, West Street, HR6 9EA.- **SUPPORT – Approved with Conditions**
Remove 2 mature lower limbs reaching over Julian House also remove dead limbs as report.
- 193895 – The Pump House Cottage, Suckley Lane, Pembridge HR6 9DW. **SUPPORT – Approved with Conditions**
Proposed retaining wall to stabilise the collapsing embankment.

141/19. Finance Report and approve payments.

Bank reconciliation for 31st January 2020 complete using VT cashbook.

Balances at 31st January 2020 :

Current Account:	£ 23143.82
Tracker Account:	£ 15981.77
National Savings Account:	£ 12021.39 (including £95.41 interest)

Income since last meeting:

None

Requests for payment: All APPROVED

Toilet Cleaner, Clerk salary & HMRC for February 2020 as previously agreed by Parish Council
NEST pension contribution as per agreed payment schedule

West Mercia Energy	Elec Toilets Dec 19	£19.42	+VAT
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Zen Internet Ltd	Annual Domain hosting	£49.50	+VAT
CLeanMy	Loo roll toilets	£53.64	+VAT
Pembridge RBL	Reissue cancelled cheque 102439 - wreath	£17.00	

142/19. Clerks report.

- Confirmed mowing contract instruction
- Reported faulty light on Bridge Street and pothole defects in the parish.
- Reminder to Councillors of Standing Order 13 – Dispensation requests

- Consider purchase of new battery for the SID
- Good neighbour coffee morning – Parish Council to attend July 2020.

All other items are being dealt with and are ongoing.

143/19. Recent Storms and Flooding.

Councillors discussed the concerns from the recent storms including worries that the Sewerage treatment works were not being emptied enough. Cllr Pace advised at the recent Curl Brook meeting, Herefordshire Council and Welsh Water delegates did not attend but farmers were definitely pulling together to move forward regarding phosphates. Councillors **agreed** not to purchase community sandbags and parishioner should make individual provision.

144/19. Operation London Bridge.

Councillors reviewed and **APPROVED** the proposed policy for Parish Council upon the death of the Queen. *Confirmation that the British Legion would attend to the flag flying operation.*

145/19. Quinquennial Inspection Market Hall.

Councillors **AGREED** to organise an inspection of the market hall. *Clerk to investigate architects options and obtain quotes.*

146/19 Correspondence.

- Hereford transport Strategy - Noted.
- The Courtyard request for funding to support “Transform the Yard” – Parish Council does not allocate public funds for charitable request – *Clerk to respond.*
- Herefordshire Council Core Strategy Settlement Hierarchy review 2020 – Clerk to complete.
- Hereford Local Access Forum (HLAF) accessibility Working Group (AWG) correspondence to make footpaths available to all looking for suggested routes– *Cllr Hancock to respond.*
- Parishioner correspondence regarding flooding at Noke Lane – Ward councillor has already met with parishioner and drainage works with landowner have been agreed. *Clerk to respond.*

147/19. Future Agenda from Councillors and members of the public.

VE day celebrations.

148/19. To confirm date of next meeting as

Date: Wednesday 18th March 2020 – Parish Council Meeting - Parish Hall at 7.00pm.

Meeting Closed 8.23pm.

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