

PEMBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes for the Meeting
Wednesday 17th February 2021, 7.30pm - Virtual

Councillors Present: Cllrs Andrew Pace (Vice Chairman), Tom Bennetto, Philip Rogers, Kevin Duggan, Steve Jones, David Owens, Michael Hancock, Catherine Fothergill, Philip Thomas, Wendy Powell, Michael Hancock and Roger Phillips & Clerk R Bissell.

No Police representative present.

0 Members of the public.

124/20. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Garfield Evans,. Cllr Julie Mifflin was also absent with a dispensation from attending the meeting.

125/20. Declaration of interest and written requests for dispensation on agenda items.

There were no declarations of interest on agenda items. The register of interest book was available with the clerk to sign.

126/20. Approval of the minutes.

The minutes of the meeting of 20th January 2021 were **approved** unanimously to be signed.

127/20. Open session.

The Ward Councillor updates are regularly forwarded by email.

- Reported of the tragic major incident at Noke Lane on 29th January.
- Council tax increase for 2021-22 to 4.99%
- The western bypass and southern link road has been dropped. The administration are now looking at alternative green measures to reduce congestion.
- Bearwood Lane, Manley Lane and Gorsty to be resurfaced. Councillors agreed to liaise to ensure white lining is reinstated and the yellow zig zags are installed opposite the school entrance as originally agreed.
- Poor highway drainage has caused flooding at Marston and along C1032 by Turnpike to remedy.

128/20. Planning applications for comment.

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

Planning Application recently received:

- 210444 – Maesfyd, Bearwood Lane, Pembridge, HR6 9EA - **SUPPORT**
Tree works – Fell Rowan diseased tree and replant with apple. Fell 2 Leylandii and replant horse chestnut.

Recent Planning Applications recently considered awaiting determination:

- 203637 – Clearbrook Farm, Pembridge, HR6 9HL - **SUPPORT**
Proposed removal and re-siting of ground floor door and installation of new rooflight to second floor
- 202402 – Phase 1 Land at Townsend Farm, Pembridge HR6 9HD- **SUPPORT**
Proposed erection of 5 dwellings with garages (self-build)
- 202382 - Phase 2 Land at Townsend Farm, Pembridge HR6 9HD- **SUPPORT**
Proposed erection of 5 dwellings with garages – (self-build)
- 202384 - Phase 3 Land at Townsend Farm, Pembridge HR6 9HD- **SUPPORT**
Proposed erection of 2 pairs of semi-detached affordable houses to rent
- 202385 - Phase 4 Land at Townsend Farm, Pembridge HR6 9HD- **SUPPORT**
Proposed 6 open market dwellings, garages and private drives.
- 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
- 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.

Planning Decisions.

- 203638 – Clearbrook Farm, Pembridge, HR6 9HL – **SUPPORT -APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**
Proposed new road way to alter access to farmhouse and new gateway for field created adjacent.
- 201991 – Moor Court Farm, Lyonshall HR53JZ – **SUPPORT -APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS**
Proposed agricultural structure to house water tank for corn spraying.

129/20. Clerks report.

- Organising footpath works with Lengthsman.
- Followed up Market Hall quotation
- Followed up mowing tenders.
- Updated Website.
- Viewed Manley Lane flooding issue
- Prepared unreasonable behaviour policy

All other items are being dealt with and are ongoing.

130/20. Finance Report and Approve Payments.

All payments: Approved

Bank reconciliation for 31st January 2021 complete using VT cashbook.

Balances at 31st January 2021:

Current Account:	£ 31964.09
Tracker Account:	£ 15999.27
National Savings Account:	£ 12021.39 (including £86.55 interest)

Income since last meeting:

D Kelly – Rent	£ 75.00
Magazine advertising	£ 133.00
PIP Refund for KBS materials on Boardwalk	£ 293.35

Requests for payment: Approval to be requested

Toilet Cleaner, Clerk salary & HMRC for February 2021 as previously agreed by Parish Council
NEST pension contribution as per agreed payment schedule

Clerks Exp	January 2021	£22.50	
West Mercia Energy	Electricity November 2020	£17.71	+VAT
Shaun Price	Various Footpath works	£578.00	
KBS	Footpath materials	£177.52	

131/20. Mowing Contract 2021.

Councillors reviewed tenders received and **AGREED** to award the 2021 Mowing Contract to James Ross.

Clerk to write and set up details

132/20. Pembridge Village Trial 20mph Speed Limit Installation

Parish Council reviewed Herefordshire Council and Balfour Beatty proposed traffic order scheme for a pilot 20mph speed limit in Pembridge village. After discussion Councillors **AGREED** for the scheme implementation with buff 20mph roundels and further white lining along Bridge Street and Bearwood Lane . *Clerk to write to Balfour Beatty*

133/20. Clocktower Update.

Cllr Rogers confirmed that co-ordination with Cumbria Clock company and the electrician is ongoing and works are expected to be completed by the next meeting.

134/20. Lottery Funding Grant Application for the Playground Upgrade Project.

Cllr Rogers provided details for a Parish Council Preliminary application (to establish if a full application will be considered) to the lottery fund for £43651 to provide capital for replacement and refurbishment of the playground on the Millennium Meadow. Over the past 18 months, Cllr Rogers has been working with

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PiPs and the Playground group consulting parishioners on a renewed playground upgrade to provided details for this application.

Parish Council **AGREED** unanimously to make a lottery grant fund application. *Cllr Rogers to complete the application and submit.*

135/20. Repairs to the Market Hall and Bell Toper.

Councillors reviewed the quote for repair woks to the Market Hall as per the quinquennial inspection in September 2020 at £2750 and replacement tiles on the Bell Tower roof £550. It **AGREED** unanimously for **R L Goodman Restorations** to undertake these works. *Clerk to arrange.*

136/20. Balfour Beatty Lengthsman and P3 Scheme 2021-22.

As works are carried out on highways and footways in the parish by contractors on behalf of the Parish Council there is an obligation to join the Balfour Beatty Lengthsman and P3 scheme for 2021. Following discussion Councillors **AGREED** to join the scheme 2021. *Clerk to complete and return the expression of Interest form and maintenance contract.*

137/20. Response for New Woodland Planting at Court of Noke.

Councillors reviewed the proposed planting areas to create seven new small native woodlands in the parish and **AGREED** unanimously for planting project at the Court of Noke be supported. *Clerk to respond.*

138/20. Pembridge Unreasonable Behaviour Policy.

This policy is intended provide guidance on how unreasonable behaviour towards the PC and its officers may be dealt with, should it occur. Councillors discussed the policy and **APPROVED** it unanimously. Parish Council will review this policy in May 2022

139/20 Correspondence

- Herefordshire Council confirm five-year land supply figures as 4.22 years up from 3.69. The Council now has three good years of housing delivery against targets as assessed by the Ministry for Housing and Local Government services. The score is now 106% in the Housing Delivery test.

140/20. Future Agenda from Councillors and members of the public.

None.

141/20. To confirm date of next meeting as

Date: Wednesday 17th March 2021 – Virtual at 7.30pm.

Meeting Closed 8.25pm