# PICKMERE PARISH COUNCIL

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### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

#### **HELD ON**

# TUESDAY FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> 2015 AT 7.30 PM

#### IN THE VILLAGE HALL

**1. Present:** A Shore (Chairperson), C Tarrant (Vice Chairperson) S Wilkinson,

V Brown, R Peppal, S Read

**Apologies:** P Gough **Public:** 1 person

**PCSO:** S Emmerson

#### 2. Minutes:-

- **2.1** The Minutes were approved and signed from the December 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, by A Shore, Chairperson.
- **2.2** Matters arising from those Minutes
  - **2.2.1** CT referred to the SID we have recently had on loan from CE. See Item 7.1 in these Minutes.
  - **2.2.2** SW referred to Item 7.4 in last Minutes re Finger Post at junction of Park Lane with Pickmere Lane. He has been in contact with Andy Wilson, CE, and this is being dealt with.

#### 3. Declaration of Interests

SW declared interest in HS2

# 4. Open Forum (Including PCSO)

- **4.1** Nil
- **4.2** PCSO: Report on by Sophie Emmerson, who had already sent her monthly report out to the Councillors. She reported on a couple of incidents in Pickmere and surrounding villages. Sophie also reported she has now done training in the Police Speedwatch system, which she will now be able to use this system in Pickmere

#### 5. Planning

- 5.1 Applications received during December/January 2015
  5.1.1 14/5642M Fernhill Farm Frog Lane Pickmere WA16 0LJ
  Re-submission of Application 14/2001M. No comments made by Parish Awaiting decision from CE.
  - **5.1.2** 15/006M Ammendments to application (14/1966) Proposed rear extension and 1<sup>st</sup> floor balcony with internal alterations. 10 Jacob's Way Pickmere WA16 0GZ. Not yet reported on by our Planning Committee.
- **5.2** Decisions made during December/January 2015:
  - **5.2.1** 14/4710M Single storey extension. Cobb Lodge Pickmere Lane, Pickmere, WA16 0JL Refused.
  - **5.2.2** 14/5418M. Dormer window to side and retrospective application for rear extension. Lake Cottage Mere Lane Pickmere WA16 0LR: Approved with conditions.

### 6. Finance: Councillor Gough absent: Clerk will update:

- **6.1** Signing of cheques for Clerk expenses and salary upgrade, Cleaner VH and Portable Appliance Testing done for IROS and VH.
- **6.2** Financial up date: The Clerk reported on the balances in General Account: £18,580 and Land Asset Account: £13,313. The Direct Debit for Gas for VH has been increased to £100 to take account of the increased amount owing and Electricity Direct Debit been reduced from£41 to £23 per month.
- **6.3** Payments received during last month: Nil
- **6.4** Nalc Pay Award: The Clerk reported on her recent pay increase awarded by NALC and this has been reported to PG.

## 7. Correspondence and Reports from Councillors, and to/from Clerk

7.1 Speed Indicator Device on loan from CE for one month: The Councillors have been displaying this on Pickmere Lane and Park Lane for the last month. It is due to be returned to CE in two days' time and Clerk will request to have this again in the near future. AS will look into information on permanent devices for the village.
7.2 Community Pride Competition Entry Forms for 2015. CT reported on this year's Entry Sections for the competition. It was agreed to enter for the Best Kept Village, as we always have done, but additionally to have a community-wide project rather than a submission by the Parish Council and they would like volunteers to work as a group to help compile our entries and also to assist with continuing to improve standards in our village. CT will contact Dave Bradburn re. entry in the

Pickmere Press, and ask residents to get in touch with the Clerk if they wish to be involved. Entries for Best Kept Village are due in by mid March and other entries by mid-April.

- **7.3** Frog Lane: AS reported that the Clerk had contacted CE expressing concern over the verges and state of the road whilst contractors are present in Frog Lane area. SW also reported that Andy Wilson from Cheshire East Highways will be inspecting the area shortly.
- **7.4** Clerk's report on attendance at the recent ICO's workshop day. She reported to the Council on various aspects, and will also speak to Data Protect ion at CE to ascertain how to implement, if necessary, into her role as Parish Clerk.
- **7.5** Spinks Lane: AS, CT and SW had attended a meeting at CE with Michael Jones, Leader of the Council, and subsequently AS and SW attended a Court hearing in December.
- **7.6** 'Heart Start': Discussion re Defibrillator. AS, SR and the Clerk are attending a meeting in Knutsford on Thursday Feb 5<sup>th</sup>.
- **7.7** AS reported that the Council had submitted their requests for items applicable to Pickmere to be included in the Cheshire East Neighbourhood Plan, to Adrian Fisher, about two years ago. Recently he had received information from Tom Evans, Principal Planning Officer at CE, indicating the possibility of submitting our own Local Plan. AS will be contacting Tom Evans shortly for more details.
- **7.8** The Clerk informed the councillors that she will be collecting the forthcoming election papers(Council elections in May) for them, later in February.

#### **8. HS2:** Nil

# 9. Report from CE Councillor Steve Wilkinson re: Cheshire East Borough Council

- **9.1** SW updated Councillors on the Local Plan at Cheshire East, undergoing inspection at the present time. Aspects of the spread of housing is being looked into at the moment.
- **9.2** 'Four4Adoption' Process is a partnership between Thameside, Stockport, Trafford and CE Councils They have been shortlisted for a Local Government Chrome Award.

## 10. Issues raised by Councillors/Parishioners:

**10.1** Bookings for Village Hall: A discussion on how the future management of the Village Hall bookings should be carried out, took place and a decision was reached that the council will seek a volunteer through contacts and Pickmere Press. (Agenda item for March Meeting).

- **10.2** Hire Agreement Form for booking the Village Hall: CT reported on minor modifications he has made since the last meeting. AS proposed the use of this form and SW seconded it.
  - **10.3** Use of IROS for 'Party by the Lake' and 'Fun Day': AS had received a request from the Community Group for the use of the IROS for the Party by the Lake on June 27<sup>th</sup>, and 'Fun Day' on 30<sup>th</sup> August. Resolution agreed by councillors for this request.

AS stated that he would like a nominated Community Group member to be 'accountable' for these events. Clerk to email Brenda Wilkinson.

**10.4** The Community Group have requested to have a coffee machine installed in the Pavilion, for use at 'Sunday Teas'; they will provide the machine. The installation of this was agreed by the councillors.

# 11. Items for next meeting's agenda – March 2015

SIDs Maintenance of Playground area Bookings Village Hall

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on

March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7.30pm in the VillageHall.

**Clerk: Rosemary Fogerty**