

## Number 555

# MINUTES OF THE PICKMERE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2010 AT PICKMERE VILLAGE HALL

### **PRESENT:**

J Webb, V Brown, S Wilkinson, D Harris, R Pepall, A Shore,  
R Fogerty Clerk) Cheshire East Councillor G Walton, PC G Jones

### **APOLOGIES:**

P Gough, P.Mather, PCSO C Shepherd. N White (Auditor)

### **MEMBERS OF PUBLIC- 3**

### **1. MINUTES**

Minutes of the last meeting accepted and signed by Joan Webb, Chairperson.

### **2. MATTERS ARISING**

The Clerk reported that both she and PG had been in contact with Ian Heald, Royal Mail, re the Village Post Box, regarding having it re-sited. This is likely to be sometime off, due to regulations re. the re- siting. Council requested that the clerk make further contact with request to site near new Notice Board opposite Wellfield Close.

### **3. FINANCE**

The Clerk reported on the finance for the last month, in the absence of Nicky White. The balance on the General Account is £6407, (£325 in the Deposit Account). Clerk will transfer £300 from Deposit into General Account. No changes last month on Lakeside Account. PCSO invoice to be paid in 2 instalments, now and September. VAT refund been received: £2028.69. The direct debits on the Utility Services are keeping up with the usage.

| Account | Cheque Number | Signed by 2 | To whom/for        | Date   | Amount £ |
|---------|---------------|-------------|--------------------|--------|----------|
| General | 101460        | JW. SW      | R Fogerty          | 1.6.10 | 20.08    |
| “       | 101461        | JW. SW      | R Fogerty          | 1.6.10 | 240.00   |
| “       | 101462        | JW. SW      | Chesh Police(PCSO) | 1.6.10 | 2000.00  |

### **4. OPEN FORUM**

It had been reported that on some occasions recently people had had problems finding the Lake. Discussion on this took place.

One member of the public asked when the Council were likely to hear the decision on the Spink Lane Inquiry. This will be later in June. One member asked why non-powered boats cannot be launched from our shores of the Lake. The reason is the Council have no insurance and there is a risk of accidents with mixed use of boats. Until this issue is resolved the Council will not allow non-powered boats to be used.

## 5. PARISH PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

RP reported a meeting had been held last week. Encouragement is now needed to push the Plan forward. Resident Simon Read will be setting up activity clubs and D of E scheme for young people in the summer holidays. The PPPSG will be presenting the Plan to the Knutsford LAP group shortly. Implementation of the Plan involving the Parish Council to be discussed at next meeting.

## 6. PCSO

PC G Jones gave apologies of absence for PCSO Shepherd. She reported that there are more officers now at Knutsford. She will endeavour to get 'Speedwatch' set up in Pickmere. A brown dog had been reported on the loose around the lakeside area. PCSO Shepherd had held a successful cycling advice session in the Clover Drive area, for children. About 10 children and parents attended. She hopes to do something like this again soon. One of the farms had been burgled during last month. The PCSO report had been emailed to all Councillors for last month.

## 7. PLANNING

The following applications had been received last month and were examined by Council.

**Application No: 10/1156M**

**Proposal: Single Storey Garden Room Side Extension**

**Location: 1 Royle Cottage Pickmere Lane WA16 0JL**

No objections raised, no comments.

**Application No:10/1181M**

**Proposal: Cert. of Lawfulness for the existing continued use of existing bungalow as a self-contained and separate dwelling.**

**Location: The Bungalow Mereview Farm Park Lane Pickmere WA16 0LG**

The Chairperson, Joan Webb, having lived in the village for 70 years, remembered a family living in this bungalow during the 1940's and 50's.

In addition, revised plans for **:Lakeside, 9 Jacob's Way Pickmere WA16 0GZ** had been received for the Council (on request) and were examined. These had been submitted and approved by Cheshire East before our council had seen them.

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE

Chalc Newsletter distributed. Also notice of Chalc AGM.

Draft report of Cheshire East's Sustainable Community Strategy for 2010-2025 'Ambition for All' had been received by email and one hard copy. VB took this to read.

Following a special meeting by the council, in March, re Power Boats on the Lake DH had put together a draft letter and this had been emailed to all council members. SW thanked DH drafting the letter and proposed that this should now be sent to the relevant person, Borough Solicitor, Chris Chapman, and this was seconded by VB. This is now to be sent by the Clerk to Cheshire East.

Planning Seminar (Cheshire East) – AS will attend at Macclesfield 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Other items of correspondence during the month had been received by email. No further action.

## 9. IROS (INC. USE OF LAKE).

Dead elm trees to be marked up and deal with in the Autumn.

Joan Webb stated that the small gate to enter the IROS is not suitable for wheelchair users. DH proposed removing gate, AS seconded. SW will remove the gate.

Encouraging comments have been reported on the wild flowers in this area.

## **10. VILLAGE HALL (INC. DISCUSSION ON IDEAS FOR NEW VILLAGE HALL)**

Discussion on ideas – extension to Pavillion as main function room. The ‘dip’ could become a store-room. SW stated that to do anything Council would first need to sell the Village Hall to finance the building of a new one. Planners would need to be on board as land at IROS is under a ‘106 Agreement’. Clerk to do letter to Adrian Fisher, Head of Planning and Policy, to look into the possibility of re-locating our Village Hall.

## **11. WEB-SITE**

PCSO sends DH reports which he puts on the website. Police Inspector Kate Woods will send hyperlink to their site. DH gave statistics of numbers using the web-site each month.

## **12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The Clerk reminded everyone (including members of public) that the next meeting is July 20<sup>th</sup> because of Summer Holidays.

The Clerk is to contact Dave Thomason re. siting of sign for Elderly People Crossing, near Wellfield Close.

The Clerk reported that she had rung AON (admin. for Allianz Insurance) to question a couple of items on new policy and to change some wording. Insurance premium was paid last month. Clerk to discuss ‘Assets’ with Nicky White in September.

VB discussed care of Rose Garden by Wellfield Close. She will contact Cheshire Peaks and Plains.

VB has had contact with Persimmon Homes re future of Clover Drive area and playground. Needs a permanent solution. Richard Platt to give quote for care of front open space. Jeremy Lawton to quote for playground and footpath.

**NEXT MEETING SET FOR TUESDAY JULY 20<sup>TH</sup>  
IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

**AT 7.30PM**

