**WORLESTON & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Meeting held on 16th September 2021 @ 7.00pm Worleston Village Hall

**Present**:, , Andy Hudson (**AH**) (Chair), John Schofield (**JS**) (Vice Chair) , Vicky Higham (**VH**), Mark Astbury (**MA),** Gary Vernon (**GV**) Matt Evans (**ME**) Malcolm Holman (**MH**) Joe Foster (**JF**) Fred Percival (**FP**) Gary Basford (**GB**) Mrs Helen Exley (**The Clerk**), Cllr Sarah Pochin (**SP)**

Parish members: 1 members of the Parish was present.

| **Point** | **Agenda point** | **Raised By** | **Action** | **Due Date** |
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| 1. | **Apologies**: - John Thomasson (**JT**) Peter Jones (**PJ**) | Clerk | N/A | 16/09/21 |
| 2. | **Declaration of Councillors interests & Code of Conduct:** -  declarations declared by all councillors’ present -  **JS** – Royal Oak planning application for bin store. | Chair | All Cllrs | 16/09/21 |
| 3. | **Approval of Minutes & Outstanding Matters:-**  **Please see attached checklist for outstanding matters**  Minutes from 15/07/21 quarterly meeting proposed as correct by and **JF** 2nded by **MA**  All Cllrs agreed. | Chair | All Cllrs | 16/09/21 |
| 4. | **Open Forum:-**   * Email received from Member of Public regarding the wheelie bins being left on the roads and looking unsightly. Can anything be done to encourage residents to place the bins back on their property once they have been emptied? **JF** stated that CEC have recently sent out a letter to residents about this issue and politely requesting that the bins are removed from the pavements once emptied. The Clerk to respond to the resident regarding this recent notification. * Resident raised the issue of lack of road sign for Poole Hill Road from the Wettenhall Road junction. It is a problem for delivery men to identify the road. * No litter bin in Poole Hill Road – there used to be! Clerk to speak to the Litter picker to establish where it is/has it been taken? People are dumping rubbish from the boats. Possibly need to purchase a new bin. * **ME** reported that he had received an e mail from Poole Bank Farm residents who wish to lobby for a speed limit to be put in place by their properties. They would like the support of WDPC in their application for the speed limit request. Speeding is increased currently because of the A51 closure. Approach CEC highways regarding the increase in traffic and request a temporary speed limit. **SP** to ask for this to take place **AH** recommends that the resident group write to Highways to request and copy WDPC in on any communication and the PC will support. **ME** to forward the e mail to **SP** | public | Chair/  Clerk/SP | Ongoing |
| 5. | **Borough Councillor report:-**   * School issues – Visitation from CEC regarding tree issue at school and the running track unannounced- Aggressive manner from CEC representative. **SP** has requested that an apology is forthcoming to the Head regarding the aggressive attitude. | SP | SP | Ongoing |
|  | * Further complaints regarding RHC students and noise in the early hours of the morning. * Platinum jubilee celebrations plans – Any road closure plans need to be requested. Grants from Woodland Trust for planting to commemorate the occasion. |  |  |  |
| 6. | **Planning Matters:**  ***Pending application***  *21/4665N - St Oswald’s School Worleston – Extension -* **WDPC to support**  *21/4394N – Building adjoining Barons Road – conversion of Agricultural building to 2 dwellings – variation of condition –* **no comment**  *21/3812N- Royal Oak – toilet extension -* **passed**  *21/4295N – 4 Brooklands, Oak Tree Barns, Poole Hill Road – Single Storey Extension –* **no comment**  *21/3978N – 1 River Bank Barn, Oak Tree Barns, Poole Hill Road – Window alterations –* **general comment regarding maintaining the character of the building with building materials used.**  *21/3887N – Land Southwest of St Oswald’s Church – outline planning for 2 houses (resubmission 21/2929N) -***passed review date**  *21/3764N – Rosefield House, Dairy Lane AJM – Demolish existing dwelling and replace –* **no comment**  ***Past Planning***  *21/23261N – Rookery Grange – rear extension to existing property - undecided*  *21/2949N – Royal Oak – Bin Store – approved with conditions*  *21/2929T – Rookery Hall – Works to TPO trees – consent for works*  *21/2991N – Reaseheath College – Extension to Engineering block for new workshops – approved with conditions*  *21/2999N – Reaseheath College – Extension to Sports Hall for new gym – approved with Conditions*  *21/2726N - Poole Hall Barn-Demolition & reconstruction of timber framed barn – no decision*  *21/2729N – Poole Hall Barn – Listed Building Consent – no decision*  *21/3460N – Highfield Barns, AJM – Oak framed canopy extension – no decision*  *21/2382N – Croft Gate Poole – cert of lawful use for demolition of garages & replace with new & accom – N/D*  *21/1380T – Tree felling by pedestrian front gate of St Oswalds school - consent for works*  *19/4128N – Poole Nurseries. Variation on occupancy. Erection on dwelling of old site of cottage - undecided*  *20/3791N – Kingsley Fields – Variation of conditions – Multi use games area. No decision*  *20/1405N – Land adj to Oakview, Mile House Lane, Worleston. Variation on conditions- unknown -*  *20/2517N – Land at Dairy Lane, AJM. Planning for 2 dwellings – not decided*  *20/2085N - Church Rd, AJM – single storey rear extension. – not decided* | Chair | Chair | Ongoing |
| 7. | **Clerks Report:-**  No further updates on recent correspondence. | Clerk | Clerk | 16/09/21 |
| 8. | **Footpath around Reaseheath:-**  Proposed meeting between planners, **VH** and **SP** to review this on 24/09/21. | Chair | Chair | ongoing |
| 9. | **Community Governance review consultation:-**   * Proposal is that the wards currently within the parish of W&D will all become one (Worleston, AJM and Poole) * that there be a name change to reflect this * That the number of councillors be reduced from 12 to 8 * That the boundary be changed to the south of A51 to Nantwich. This will be altered with the change to A51, so it is technically incorrect.   Changes are proposed to come into effect in 2023 in line with the elections.  Comment that spread area of different Hamlets and so a wider representation is more appropriate, so recommend that we do not reduce Cllr numbers & maintain the name. CEC poster to be forwarded to **VH** to sent to the Green Residents. | Chair | Chair | ongoing |
| 10. | **Playground update:-**   * Purchase of Bench for the area – ordered from Cyan deliver date mid-October. Plaque wording needs to be confirmed. Groundwork needs to be completed – **JS** has stone slabs to laydown for the footings. Deliver the bench to **FP** * Playground safety report – **ME** has reviewed this and is looking at flagged issues (gate latch to be replaced, sheep netting to be looked at, bolts on the roundabout & boardings to be replaced, sign for adult gym equipment) **ME** Contact Alan Ackerley for works to be carried out. * E mail from member of public regarding playground area – comments regarding bird mess on the swings. Safety report stated that we should not have bird deterrents on the swings. New nut has been replaced. Swings have been cleaned. Spikes that have fallen off have been mended. Other deterrents could be a foil owl that spins and scares birds off. All issues raised have been resolved. * **FP** – bench at the junction of Dairy Lane and Wettenhall Road has been removed to be repaired. | The Chair | ME/FP  Clerk | 1/11/21 |
| 11. | **Parish Compacts:-**  Peter to report back regarding lack of bin in Poole Hill Road.  No further issues. | The clerk | The clerk | 16/09/21 |
| 12. | **Bunbury Cluster Meetings:** –  *WDPC representative for next meeting 22/10/21* . Clerk to e mail sending apologies as no Councillor is available. | Chair | Chair | 16/09/21 |
| 13. | **Road Safety Matters:-**   * SID data collection to be collated. Speeding still an issue. Islands in Main Rd have had an impact, but many motorists still try and “jump” through. Problem with Motorbike that is continually racing through the village. * Flooding issues – Chair has requested finance from ward budget for jetting of Main Road (Station Road to Barrons Lane). Chair to resend E mail to **SP.** Dropped kerbs in the Crescent – request again that this will happen – **SP** to ask CEC. * Wettenhall Road – road surface is appalling. Increased traffic has made the surface worse. * Speed limit request – see point 4 * Poole Hill Road Sign – **SP** to request. See point 4. * Chevrons needed on the corner by Poole Hill Rd.   **ME** and **SP** to survey the area for the potholes/Chevrons/Road signs 17/09/21 | Chair | Chair/SP | ongoing |
| 14. | **Neighbourhood Plan update:-**  Not much progress at the present time. | Chair | Chair/  NP com | ongoing |
| 15. | **Payment of accounts :-**  Helen Exley (Salary) (online) £400.00  Peter Wilson (Online) £160.00  Worleston Village Hall Hire (Meeting room costs) £30.00 | Clerk | Clerk | 16/09/21 |
| 16. | **Dates of meetings for 2021:**  **11th November.** | Clerk | Clerk | 16/09/21 |
| 17. | **AOB/items for next agenda**:-  **JS** has requested to be removed from the Barclays mandate. **FP** to replace.  **JF** Car in carpark – complaints regarding vehicle that has been left for a considerable time. | Clerk | Clerk | 16/09/21 |

Meeting closed at 20.30hrs

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**Action list from 16/09/21 minutes**

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| **Point** | **Agenda item** | **Who to complete** | **Actioned by** |
|  | **Outstanding**  SID data download | PJ/AH | ongoing |
| 4 | * Letter from CEC to be forwarded onto resident in response to e mail regarding wheelie bins. * Email from Poole Barn residents to be forwarded to **SP** regarding request for speed limits in Poole | Clerk  ME | 31/10  31/10 |
| 9 | Chair to respond to Governance review with comments regarding potential changes. | Chair | 30/11 |
| 10 | * Alan Ackerley to be asked to repair/replace fencing and latch for the playground in line with recent safety report. * Dairy Lane bench – repairs currently underway | ME  FP | 11/11  11/11 |
| 11 | Bin missing in Poole Hill Road – replace? Clerk to contact Litter Picker | Clerk | 11/11 |
| 13 | * Chair to resent budget request e mail to SP * Road signs required for Poole Hill Road * Chevrons required on bad bend approaching Poole Hill Road | Chair  SP  SP | ASAP  ASAP  ASAP |
| 17 | Remove JS from Bank mandate and replace with FP | Clerk | ASAP |