

PEOVER SUPERIOR AND SNELSON PARISH COUNCIL

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Chairman – Phil Welch
Vice Chairman – Cliff Walsingham

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 5pm on Tuesday 28th November 2023 at Over Peover Village Hall

Present: Councillors Phil Welch (Chair), Janet Winrow, Cathryn Ruddock, John Hehir, Hazel Ardern, Cliff Walsingham, Vicki Irlam, Sam Gunter, Ward Councillor Anthony Harrison (part only) and the parish clerk

Members of Public: One (part only)

23.93 Receive apologies for absence

Cllrs Supritha Rao and Stephanie Benson sent their apologies.

23.94 Receive questions or comments from the public

a. Maintenance of the Cenotaph

A resident expressed concern over the maintenance of the Cenotaph being carried out and paid for by another resident who had volunteered, rather than the Parish Council. It was agreed that Cllr Ardern will ask the resident if he wishes to be reimbursed and Cllr Ruddock to make enquiries about engaging the services of a local gardener.

Action: Cllrs Ardern and Ruddock

23.95 Receive declarations of interest in any agenda items

No declarations of interest were declared.

23.96 Approve Minutes of the last PC meeting on 17th October 2023

The minutes of the last PC meeting were agreed and signed as a correct record by the Chair.

23.97 Discuss matters arising from the Minutes, not already covered in the agenda

Cllr Walsingham to provide an update on changing the website and email address at the next meeting. Cllr Gunter has tidied up the website but now the services of a web developer are required to continue updating the site.

Action: Cllr Walsingham

23.98 Receive updates from the Ward Councillor

Ward Cllr Harrison met with CE Council regarding Road Safety/Highways and also with the organisers of the Chelford and Over Peover Poppy Appeal. Community CPR courses are being delivered in Chelford. A consultation on the CE Strategic Leisure Review is running until January.

23.99 Receive Gawsorth and Chelford Police Report

No Police reports were received.

23.100 Discuss list of Highways works, etc for Cllr Harrison's proposed 4-year plan

A list of proposals for the village including new signage and speed reduction measures was emailed to Cllr Harrison, who will pursue with CE Council.

23.101 Finance

a. Approve the Receipts and Payment Report

Following one change, the Receipts and Payments report was reviewed and approved.

b. Update on status of Barclays Bank authorised signatories

Cllr Ruddock has been appointed as an authorised signatory on the bank account. Cllr Ardern to continue pursuing. The Clerk to look into getting online access for both councillors.

Action: Clerk, Cllrs Ruddock and Ardern

c. Approve the budget

Following some adjustments to the proposed figures, the budget for next financial year was approved.

d. Set the precept for 2023/24

The precept figure of £31414 was approved. The Clerk to submit to CE Council.

Action: Clerk

23.102 Planning

a. Consider any planning applications

There were no planning applications.

b. Consider any planning decisions

23/3802M – Centurian House, Grotto Lane: Approved with conditions

23/1410M – Holly Tree Cottage, Free Green Lane: Approved with conditions

23.103 Housekeeping and Maintenance

a. Update on Church sale

The Methodist Church was sold via auction last month. The Chair to meet with the new owner this week to discuss his plans for the building.

b. Formation of a Replacement Village / Community Hall Steering Group

A steering group is to be set up to investigate options for a new village hall within the Parish. Cllrs Walsingham, Ardern and Ruddock will represent the PC, Cllr Irlam the PCC and Cllr Winrow the WI.

c. Update of Neighbourhood Plan

It was agreed that the Neighbourhood Plan needs updating to include Snelson, among other changes. A steering group is to be formed consisting of Cllrs Hehir, Walsingham and the Chair. The Chair to also ask a resident who was on the previous steering group.

d. Request for Snelson member to join Peover Educational Foundation

Item deferred to next meeting.

e. Review the Financial Regulations

Cllr Ruddock reviewed the regulations which were duly approved.

f. Review the Village Hall hire costs for PC meetings

Members agreed to increase the fee paid for the PC meetings from £30 to £40 per meeting starting from April 2024.

g. Amenity improvements in the village including locations for defibrillators

Cllr Walsingham suggested planting more bulbs along the verges. Due to previous complaints of the difficulty in mowing these areas, it was agreed that Snowdrops and Crocuses could be planted alongside the current daffodil locations. Photos of the daffodil locations will be taken next Spring. It was also suggested that residents could be asked in the next newsletter for their ideas.

h. Arrange putting up the Christmas tree

The Chair, Cllr Hehir and ex-Cllr Clarke will collect and put up the village Christmas tree this week.

i. Receive updates on S106 funding, fire station, speed limit reduction, Planning Enforcement, helipad, Community Speed Watch, website and Village Hall, if not already covered

- i. Section 106 funding – Cllr Harrison to be asked to pursue with CE Council.
- ii. Fire Station – The building has been removed. The Parish Council wishes to thank Mr Mark Butler for all his efforts.
- iii. Speed Limit Reduction – Discussed under item 23.100.
- iv. CE Planning Enforcement – The Chair obtained a list of enforcement issues online which appeared to be out of date. The Chair wrote to CE PE for an update on Nine Oaks and Oakfield Manor but received no response.
- v. Helipad – No further updates.
- vi. Community Speed Watch – To be carried forward to next meeting.
- vii. Website Update/IT – Discussed under item 23.97.
- viii. Village Hall replacement – Discussed under item 23.103 b.

23.104 Items for the next agenda

Set meeting dates for next financial year

Snelson representative on Peover Educational Foundation

Meeting concluded at 6.40pm

The date of the next PC meeting is **Tuesday 9th January 2024**