PLESHEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Pleshey Parish Council at Pleshey Village Hall on Wednesday **15th March 2017**.

1. Chairman's Welcome

Thanks were expressed for all the helpers at the Playground clearance and Pleshey Tree services for their support over the day.

Chair: Mallender

Cllrs Kenning, Gunn, Gardner, Weatherley

2. Apologies

Cllr Holland - Family Commitments Cllr Loudfoot - Work Commitments.

3. Declarations of interests (existence and nature) with regard to items on the agenda.

No Declarations

4. Request for dispensation

No Requests Made

5 Public participation session

No members of the public present

6. Report from ECC and CCC attending Councillors

Apologies from Both Cllr Aldridge and Cllr Chamber.

Report from CCC - Hylands House now has additional parking spaces, Highlighted the Asset of community value - The Leather Bottle. Finances at CCC continue to be very challenging.

7. Minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on 15th February 2017

The Minutes were adopted.

8. Financial Report

8.1 Bank account status:

Business Current Account £ 21,857.02 - Tesco Bags £1000 Cheque expected soon Business Savings Account £ 6,596.43

8.2 Payments for approval listed below.

Cheque	Payee	Item	£	VAT	£ Total
100659	W.Adshead-Grant	Clerk's annual salary	2227.57		
100660	HMRC	Paye contribution	450.00		
100667	D Malley	Annual payroll service	67.00		
100668	F Manning	Annual invoice for pleshey view point	450.00		
100669	Pleshey Village Hall	Rental of Hall	224.00		
100670	EALC	Chairman's Day 1	80.00		
100671	A. Pearcey	Flowers and compost	19.89		

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9. Clerk's Report

Allotments - Maps and access, Online Banking and contractors.

10. Golden Jubilee Play Area

Community Initiatives Fund will supply £10,000 to the project.

Resolution Confirmed to send the Order to Playdale Itd

11. Discussion on Vision and Strategy of Parish Council

Review and discussions on the best format before presenting back to the Village at the Annual Assembly. Capture actions under three main headings - Community Spirit, Environment (who delivers what) and Health/Safety/Security/Power/Emergency Plans.

Resolution Update ready for feedback at April Meeting

12. No.52 Bus Update

Tender update expected next month.

13 Formal disciplinary policy

Resolution Accepted and adopted

14 Review the Parish Council Insurance coverage

The Parish Council currently pays AON £ 878.43.

Resolution Clerk empowered to negotiate on behalf of the Parish Council and present options at the next meeting.

15 Wolmer's Mead Parking Letter

Reminder that the Fire Brigade will be visiting on the 1st April (subject to operational demands). Discussions to be held with CHP and CCC.

16. Ownership of viewing area land and update on Essex Council payments.

The Essex County Council has not paid for 2015-2016 or 2016-2017.

<u>Resolution</u> <u>Clerk to confirm ownership of Land.</u>

Clerk to continue to pursue Essex County Council for the £900

17. Review of 2016-2017 budget

Discussion on options to reduce our budget or increase income without additional precept.

Resolution Clerk to discuss option with Village Hall around rates

Clerk to Benchmark against other options.

Review of allotments and charges.

18. Claim has been sent to HMRC for recovery of VAT suffered - £142.94

Resolution Noted

19. Pleshey Parish Council has completed its Declaration of compliance with the Pensions Regulator under the Pension Act 2008.

Resolution Noted

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20 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda

- 1. Grants Requests Conditional on advertising on Parish Website
- 2. Review Cheque signature process reduce to two signatures
- 3. Review Allotment Policy

Meeting Closed 22.10 Will Adshead-Grant Clerk to the Parish Council