

## PLESHEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Pleshey Parish Council at Pleshey Village Hall on Wednesday **21st March 2018**

### **1. Chairman's Welcome**

Chair Mallender  
Cllr Gunn , Loudfoot and Kenning  
Clerk

### **2. Apologies**

Cllr Gardner and Holland

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

Cllr Gunn - Planning - Owner (item 8.2)

### **4. Request for dispensation**

None

### **5 Public participation session**

2 Members of the Public.

1 to discuss item 11 - There was a presentation on the reasons behind the removal of the mobile library (lack of use - One user on one occasion in 6 months) . One option is to replace the mobile service with a community library - the cost savings arise from the cancellation of the mobile library service in Pleshey cannot be passed back to the Parish to help fund a community library. A community library can be set up in 4-6 weeks. The Library service will supply 200 books that can be changed every quarter (or more often) . The books supplied by Essex Library service would need to be kept secure and insured (fire & theft).

Possible locations could be the Village Hall , the Leather bottle ,the House of retreat or the Church.

### **6. Report from ECC and CCC attending Councillors**

Report from CCC - The Ballot for the BID (Business improvement district) went through with a majority of the businesses showing their favour. A company will now be formed (1st April) and matters will move along swiftly. The members of the company are discussing innovative ideas that will improve the city centre to become a showcase for activities leading up to Chelmsford being a City of Culture.

The City council is in discussions with police and outside bodies to consider the implementation of police orders to be imposed on people fly posting and advertising near the highways. (July this year)

We are including many more charging points for electric cars in City owned car parks.

Homelessness: A new Act has been introduced to tighten up the current legislation thus strengthens the duty for housing advice to all residents with improvements designed for certain vulnerable groups in mind, including care leavers, former armed forces etc.

Sunday Times this weekend indicated that Chelmsford was "the place" to live in the East of England

I am hoping to be at the Leather Bottle on 14th April, no time as yet but I will do my best if I move a couple of meetings I have in place during that day.

### **7. Confirmation of the Minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on 21st February 2018**

*Resolution There was a change to minute 22 that was signed by both the chairman and the clerk. The word community fund was changed to Local services fund*

*Resolution The Minutes were confirmed*

### **8. Planning**

## 8.1 LPA Decisions

<b>18/00009/FUL</b>	<b>Hill House Back Lane Pleshey Chelmsford CM3 1HL</b>	<b>Application Permitted</b>
<b>17/01845/LB C</b>	<b>The Gardens The Street Pleshey Chelmsford CM3 1HE</b>	<b>Application Permitted</b>
<b>17/01720/L BC</b>	<b>Bury Barn Bury Farm Bury Road Pleshey Chelmsford CM3 1HB</b>	<b>Application Permitted</b>

## 8.2 For Consideration

Reference: 18/00338/FUL

Address: 1 Rooters Hill Pleshey Road Pleshey Chelmsford

Description of works: Part single, part two storey side and rear extension. New Front Porch. Relocation of the existing oil tank. New workshop and double garage in the garden.

*Resolution: There were no objections to the planning application*

## 9. Financial Report

### 9.1 **Bank account status**

Business Current Account	£ 10,703.17
Community Account	£ 6,300.88

#### Income

Vat reclaim	£645.30
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### 9.2 **Payments to be approved**

<b>Cheque</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>Pleshey Support Group</b>	<b>Grant - Start Up</b>	<b>£300</b>
	<b>W.Adshead-Grant</b>	<b>Payment of Bank Charges</b>	<b>£66.00</b>
	<b>W Adshead-Grant</b>	<b>Clerks Salary and Expenses</b>	<b>£177.68</b>
	<b>HMRC</b>	<b>PAYE</b>	<b>£35.80</b>
	<b>Essex Pension Fund</b>	<b>March Payment</b>	<b>£43.64</b>
	<b>Fred Manning</b>		<b>£450</b>
	<b>CCC</b>	<b>Rent of Play AREa</b>	<b>£1</b>

**Resolution All payments were agreed and the cheques were signed**

## 10 Clerk's Report

GDPR prep , Confirmation December meeting is now 5th.

**11. Do we need a community library ?**

There was a long discussion on benefits and the support needed to function as a community library.

An organisation would need to fill in an expression of interest and send to the library service. The Service would run the same as a normal library and books can be ordered and reserved. Books would then either be delivered or picked up from a location such as Broomfield library.

*Resolution: Run an advert in the Parish News and see if any organisation would be interested in supporting and running the library.*

*Resolution: Clerk to write to the Village Hall , the Leather bottle ,the House of retreat and the Church to see if any interest.*

*Resolution: Item to be raised at the Annual assembly.*

**12. Allotments - Rental and tenancy agreements**

Discussion around agreements and price plans ( Currently £1 per annum per plot) in other parish (£3.75 per rod) and the Chelmsford City Council run allotments ( £4.50 per rod).

New agreements to be issued in May to bring the allotment holders in line with current agreement.

GPS mapping to be run in the summer to confirm the size of the plots.

One rod = 5.0292m (wikipedia)

**13. Footpath Validation**

Aerial photographs from the 1940's to be reviewed for evidence of footpaths.

*Resolution Application to be made for a footpath that pre existed from the end of the sewage works to pump lane to be made.*

*Resolution Application to be made to restore the 'Queens Walk'*

*Resolution Information to be shared off the website for permissive footpaths.*

**14. Pleshey Parish News applying for Grants**

After discussion the item was closed as not required

**15. Provision of Precis of Council Meetings for Publication in Pleshey Parish News.**

*Resolution Agreed that Cllr Kenning for sake of speed will create a simple precis from the minutes.*

**16. GDPR implications.**

Discussion on the conflicting information from the National Association of Local Councils , Society of Local Council Clerks and Essex County Council. The Bill is still in front of parliament so changes may be made to requirements and responsibility in small rural Parish Councils.

*Resolution The Clerk is elected to be the DPO*

**17. RCCE - Village of the Year Competition**

*Resolution The entry info was to be passed to Cllr Holland for consideration*

**18. Welcome Guide for Pleshey**

Rename item Pleshey Parish Guide.

**19. Update on Information Boards or Brass Plaques on walks or around the village**

Discussion on Fast Signs as a possible supplier. Prices vary from £1000 to £20 depending on supplier.

*Resolution      Defer to next month*

**20.      Broadband speeds**

Members have noted a marked reduction in the non superfast speeds they had previously enjoyed. Members with superfast have noted no reduction in speeds.

*Resolution: Use Pleshey Parish News to establish if the problem is widespread.*

**21.      Update on Mobile Reception**

An approach has been made to the Parochial Church Council to consider installing a booster or antenna in the church tower. Response expected from the Parochial Church Council in April.

**22.      Vision and strategy - Communications and Info**

*Resolution: Defer until next month*

**23.      Mid and South Essex NHS Communication**

Review of the email sent out by the NHS.

*Resolution: Cllr Mallender and Cllr Gunn to attend the meeting and report back on the forum.*

**24.      Clerk's annual Appraisal**

Confirmation that the Clerks appraisal was satisfactory. Clerk will move from spinal point 19 to spinal point 20. This is an increase of £0.359 per hour. An impact of £74.67 per annum.

**25.      Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda**

- Current Vacancy on the Parish Council
- Grass Area of Womers Mead - damage by vehicles
- RCCE - Village of the year competition
- Pleshey Parish Guide
- Update on Information Boards or Brass Plaques on walks or around the village
- Update on Pleshey Community Development Trust
- Vision and strategy of the Parish Council
- Preparation and agenda for the Annual Assembly

**Meeting Closed 22:05**

**Will Adshead-Grant**

**Clerk to the**