MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PEAKIRK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 18TH FEBRUARY 2019 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, COMMENCING AT 7.30PM

Present: Councillors Henry Clark (Chair), Sally Jackson, Roy Pettitt, Emma Crowson, David Fovargue and Greg Prior.

Also in attendance: Angela Hankins (Clerk)

141. Public question time – there were no members of the public present.

142. Apologies noted from Cllr Wright.

143. No declarations of interest were recorded.

144. The minutes of the previous meeting dated 21st January 2019 were approved and signed as a true record.

145. Correspondence:

145.1 An initial costing had been received from Openreach, equating to £955.54 per premise (Government funded voucher available at £500 per residential address ). It was agreed not to pursue the Community Fibre Partnership any further.

145.2 Members noted the response from Glinton Parish Council declining to permit loan of Speedwatch Equipment.

***HC to circulate details of mobile re-chargeable battery operated Speed Activated Device that reads speeds from both directions.***

145.3 Correspondence received in relation to trees within the Penwald Court extension development

was reported . Cllr Jackson felt that it was an oversight not to have included this group of trees in the Neighbourhood Plan. It was agreed that the trees should be preserved.

***SJ to provide map and description. Clerk to liaise with City Council tree officer.***

145.4 There were no other items of correspondence.

146. Planning:

146.1 Cllr Jackson reported on Neighbourhood Planning and the Peterborough Local Plan(PLP). The PLP has been to inspection, any changes mainly concerning modification of wording. Village boundaries strengthened. A major concern is that Peakirk’s Local Green Space Map had not been included in the Local Plan Map, despite notification to the relevant planning officer.

***SJ to forward her e-mail to the Clerk for further contact with the City Council.***

***Agreed that once the PLP is adopted the parish council will request the City Council review the Neighbourhood Plan to see whether there are any conflicts.***

146.2 There was nothing further to report in relation to outstanding CIL money for the Penwald Court extension development.

***Clerk to chase.***

146.3 The Clerk advised that consent for various works to trees at Peakirk Village Green, Chestnut Close, application 19/00010/CTR had been received.

146.4 The application 19/00028/HHFUL for a two-storey side extension and single story rear extension at 10 Firdale Close had been received. The Parish Council had no comments or objections.

146.5 Peterborough Local Plan Proposed Main Modifications consultation period (10 January to 20 February) - covered at 146.1 above.

146.6 Consultation on an application for works to 11 alder trees subject to TPO’s at 3-5 Mill Close had been received – to reduce lower half crown/outer limbs cut to points where previous cutting was granted. Members had no objections.

147. Finance:

147.1 The budget review to 31 January 2019 was noted.

147.2 Members noted re-imbursement to Mrs A Hankins in the sum of £319.60 for purchase of litter pickers from Tool Station.

147.3 The reduction in the interest rate on the Cambridge and Counties Bank account to 1.4% was noted.

147.4 Approval given for payment to Mrs A Hankins for Home Working Allowance for January in the sum of £10 and re-imbursement in the sum of £5.29 for purchase of envelopes .

147.5 Approval given for annual Data Protection Fee renewal to the Information Commissioner in the sum of £40.

***GDPR compliance review to be completed. HC/ Clerk to pursue.***

148. A proposal to adopt the Peakirk Emergency Plan, circulated prior to the meeting, was agreed.

149. The item to note the current position in relation to a procedure for review of assets to be held over to the next meeting.

150. Maintenance:

150.1 In relation to refurbishment of the wall around Anglian Water compound adjacent to 4 Thorney Road the Clerk advised that she had written to Anglian Water requesting repair and retention of the wall.

150.2 Flyers for the Village Litter Pick of 9th March were distributed to councillors for circulation to all properties within the village.

***RP to do safety briefing and issue advice cards. Clerk to let RP have collecting bags.***

150.3 Cllr Jackson expressed concern about the maintenance of the Millennium Copse. It was agreed that it would be monitored during the growing season and Cllr Clark and Cllr Fovargue offered to assist with grass trimming.

151. Road Safety and Speed Watch :

151.1 Cllr Pettitt provide an update on Speed Watch. Four more sessions carried out since the last meeting – 2 on Thorney Road, 1 on Deeping Road and 1 on St Pegas Road, using equipment loaned from Bainton Parish Council. RP to receive new equipment from the police to be shared with Barnack and Ufford.

151.2 Cllr Jackson reported on actions taken since the last road safety meeting of 30th November. Police Speed Check Area signs now in situ. Further meeting to be held on 15th March to include further discussion on defining the entrances to the village and reducing the speed limit to 40mph prior to the 30mph limit.

***SJ to raise with the group the possibility of a reduction of the existing 40mph section of Deeping Road to 30mph.***

152. Cllr Jackson provided an update on the St Pega Project the focus of which remains the roof and fund-raising. Cllrs Clark & Jackson had met with church members and representatives from the Bats In Churches Group and Church Care. It was agreed that this can be removed as a standing agenda item, but reported on in Councillors reports if necessary.

153. Cllr Jackson advised that the main issue for the Northern Footpath Forum remains that of land ownership next to the River Welland.

154. To receive Councillors reports:

Cllr Pettitt reported that there had been a talk at the Planning Customer Forum on building communities in large scale developments and the benefits of sending out welcome letters in small developments.

It was noted that the Parish Council lap-top is now charged and available to download data from the VAS.

155. The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Monday 18th March 2019.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00pm.