

## PRESTON CANDOVER AND NUTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

<b>Date:</b>	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	<b>Time:</b>	7:50pm
<b>Venue:</b>	Preston Candover Village Hall, Preston Candover		
<b>Present:</b>	Paul Sadler	Chairman	
	Daphne Prosser		
	Tish Owencroft		
	Rebecca Kennelly (arrived at 8:05pm)		
	Paul Gaskell (arrived at 8:30pm after meeting had closed)	Borough Councillor	
	Wendy Simson	Clerk	
<b>Apologise:</b>	Robin Human		
	ClIr Juliet Henderson	County Councillor	

#### 1265 Apologies for absence

The Clerk had received apologies from Councillor Human and Councillor Kennelly informed the Clerk that she would arrive late.

Councillor Henderson sent apologies, Councillor Gaitskell had three meetings to attend and arrived after the meeting had closed, he sent apologies after the meeting.

#### 1266 Minutes of the last meeting

The Councillors confirmed that the minutes were a true record of the last meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2022. The Clerk to provide a copy of the minutes for the Chairman to sign.

#### 1267 Matters arising

**Letter to support 20mph limit** – A draft letter was circulated and approved to support a 20mph limit in all rural residential areas. This has now been forwarded to the committee championing this move.

Councillor Prosser asked about the 50-mph limit that was agreed some years ago for the road between Preston Candover and Axford. The Clerk asked for details of who was involved from Highways, and she would chase up.

**Action: Councillor Prosser to forward emails from Highways about approval of limit.**

Notice about how to report Potholes – The Clerk had created a poster explaining how to report a pothole and this was on the noticeboard.

**Meeting with School, Highways and Councillors about speeding** – the meeting took place on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April and was productive. The repeated damage to the barrier outside the school is concerning.

The Chairman informed Councillors that it was “walk to school” week and that the pupils were being encouraged to create a poster to support road safety. The chairman suggested that the Parish Council may wish to look at a grant application from the school for making up the winning sign and perhaps a prize for the winning pupil. The Councillors supported this concept.

**Action: Chairman to send grant application form to School**

The Chairman asked if the local police could visit to patrol the no parking zone outside the school as it is often abused.

**Action:** Clerk to make request to PC Andrew Jones and PCSO Ross Holdsworth do spot checks

**1268 Financial Statement**

The first 50% of the precept has been received along with the support for grass cutting, total value £5,392.04.

Six cheques were signed between meeting, they were:

- Internal audit fee - £145.00
- HALC Subscription - £261.60
- Insurance (due 1/6/22) - £740.54
- New brackets for SID - £129.00
- Pots for Jubilee - £189.38
- Clerk's expenses - £227.18

These were all approved.

**1269 Rights of Way**

Councillor Kennelly reported that she had reported three missing or broken Rights of Way posts including the one at the bottom of the drive to Moundsmere.

**1270 Parish Council website**

The Clerk reported that the audited accounts would now be advertised on the website along with the signed AGAR form. The Parish Council does not automatically require External Audit but 5% of Councils are selected and Externally Audited each year.

**Action:** Clerk to post Audited paperwork on website.

**1271 Jubilee**

The Clerk gave all attendees a copy of the flyer which will go to all homes with details of the events over the Jubilee weekend. The Councillors agreed to check through the documents and feedback to the Clerk before going to print. An A1 version will also be placed in the A frame outside the shop.

**Action:** Clerk to ask Joe Noades when grass is due to be cut for Jubilee

**1272 Planning**

There have been three applications since the last meeting they were:

- Tree work to the side of 5 Farriers Close (T/00134/22/TCA)
- Erection of double storey rear extension and repositioning of front door, porch canopy and window at Jasmine Cottage (22/00807/HSE)
- Tree work at St Mary's Church (T/00191/22/TCA)

Councillor Owencroft agreed to visit all sites and report back to Councillors.

**1273 Lengthsman**

The dates for the Lengthsman visits in 2022/23 are:

- 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022
- 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022
- 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023
- 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023

The Lengthsman visited on 11<sup>th</sup> May but didn't have time to do all the cleaning work required at the play area. The Councillors approved employing the Lengthsman for an additional day to give all the equipment a thorough clean.

**Action:** Councillor Human to speak to Lengthsman

**1274 Children's Play Area**

See Lengthsman minute

**1275 Highways**

Councillor Prosser informed the Council that Highways had filled most of the large potholes.

**1276 General correspondence**

**Solar Farm**

The Clerk had received a response back from Peter Roberts, Project Manager, BSR Energy with reference to the Community Benefit for the Solar Farm at Preston Farms. The initial offer was a one-off payment of £28,000 and the sub-committee agreed to ask for an annual fee based on energy production. The new offer is for £2,000 per year for the 40-year life of the facility. The Councillors agreed that this was a better offer but would like the value linked to the energy production and it was also suggested the energy index so as prices of electricity increase the Community Benefit also increases in value.

**Action:** Clerk to respond to Peter asking if the Councillors request can be met.

**Memorial seat**

Councillor Prosser informed the Councillors that the seat situated by the tennis courts entrance is broken. The Councillors made a site visit and agreed that the bench from the bus shelter would be put in its place while it is repaired.

**Action:** Chairman to ensure bench swapped out and carry out repairs.

**1277 Dates of next meeting**

- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022 (7:30pm)