# The Parish Council Of Lower Peover

Comprising

Nether Peover (Cheshire West and Chester)

Peover Inferior (Cheshire East)

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Dear Councillor,

On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November a meeting of Lower Peover Parish Council will take place at 7.30pm at Lower Peover School.

Yours sincerely,

#### **Sarah Morgan**

Clerk to the Council

#### Agenda

- 1. (2 min) To receive apologies for absence
- 2. (2 min) To note declarations of members' interests
- 3. (15 min) Public Participation: A period not exceeding 10 minutes for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments (at the chairman's discretion)
- 4. (5 min) To receive and confirm the minutes of the meetings held 12th September Matters arising from the minutes, not already covered in an agenda item
- 5. (10min) To receive a police report (attached)
- 6. To receive news from the Unitary Authority Councillors
- 7. Finance
  - To approve payments due (attached)
  - To consider the draft budget for 2019/2020
  - To consider the purchase of an A2 pavement display board at £38
  - To receive a verbal update on the banking mandate
  - To consider the frequency of payment of the clerk's fee

8. **To consider the latest planning applications and decisions -** those listed below as well as any posted on the Cheshire East Council or CWAC website.

<u>18/5451M</u>	Yew Tree House, Free Green Lane	Demolition of existing outbuilding to be replaced by a three car garage with work space
18/03730/LBC	Foxcovert South Cottage	Construction of detached building to form garage and home office.
18/03729/FUL	Foxcovert South Cottage	Construction of detached building to form garage and home office.
18/03779/FUL	Pinfold Crown Lane	Two storey side extension
18/04020/FUL	6 Birchwood Drive	Demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension. Alterations to porch and roof above
18/03769/FUL	Land at Foxcovert Farm	Erection of one dwelling

#### 9. To consider an appeal in relation to the Land Adjacent and Rear of 13 Holly Drive

Tree Drive		Land Adjacent and Rear of 13 Holly Tree Drive	appeal reference APP//0665/A/14/2224763
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#### 10. Highways and Footpaths

- To receive an update on highways and footpaths
- To consider a proposal for Highway markers around tree of imagination (attached)
- To consider a quote for the repair and maintenance of fingerposts (attached)
- To consider the use and condition of the phone box outside the Crown Inn

#### 11. (10 Min) Housekeeping and Maintenance

- Best Kept Village Awards to receive an update from the awards
- Selecta DNA update to receive a verbal report on the sessions and consider promotion of the session on 7<sup>th</sup> December

#### 12. (5 Min) To consider correspondence

#### 13. (2 Min) Matters for the next agenda

#### 14. (1 Min) To note the date of the next meeting (Wednesday 9th January 2019)

# Minutes of meeting held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 12<sup>TH</sup> September 2018 at Lower Peover Primary School

**Action** 

#### 18.61 Present

Cllrs Corlett, Brown, Kendall, Geake, Dutton, Wilson

In attendance: S Morgan (Parish Clerk), Cllr Walton (CEC) and Liz Turner

#### 18.62 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Painter (personal business)

#### 18.63 To note declarations of members' interests

No interests were declared

#### 18.64 Public Participation

No public were present

# 18.65 To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> July

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes

#### 18.66 To receive a police report

The police were not in attendance but had sent through a short report on crime in local parishes. No crimes had been reported in Lower Peover. A response had been received from Esther McVey that the weekly surgeries attended by the PCSOs are in line with their commitments and due to wards merging and that quarterly cluster meetings would be arranged for Parish Councils to attend.

# 18.67 To receive a progress update on the Battles over the Nation Tribute and to consider a proposal for start-up funding for the Lower Peover WW1 Commemorative Event

Cllr Dutton gave a detailed over view of the event proposal and the grant request was reviewed

It was **RESOLVED** to award a grant of £250 for start up funding<sup>1</sup>

Clerk to issue grant

#### 18.68 To receive an update from the Unitary Authority Councillors

Cllr Walton talked further about the police cluster meetings, advising that one was to take place on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September for a member of each parish councillors to attend. No members expressed interest in attending the meeting, though these will be taking place quarterly to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Cllr Dutton abstained from voting on this resolution

discuss any matters of concern.

An open invitation was given to attend the November 11<sup>th</sup> When the lights go out event in Tatton Park.

The consultation on the new Site Allocations and Development Policies Document was discussed with no sites allocated for Lower Peover. It was recommended that the loss of 'saved policies' be reviewed in case these were considered important to retain. The term 'safe-guarded land' was highlighted as a potentially misleading phrase that retains protects land for development purposes, not the absence of development.

#### **18.69** Finance

- The bank reconciliation and the receipts and payments were discussed and noted.
- The Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Risk assessment were reviewed
- It was **RESOLVED** to continue the use of direct debits/bank standing orders/BACS and CHAPS payments in accordance with paras 6.7/6.8/6.9 of financial regulations
- A report was received from the internal auditor detailing account changes for the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018
- It was **RESOLVED** to approved membership of the SLCC for the clerk (£77)

Clerk to apply for member ship

#### 18.70 To consider the latest planning applications and decisions

The applications were considered and it was **RESOLVED** to raise no objections to the applications for Lower Peover School and make no SM comments on the other applications considered.

#### 18.71 Highways and Footpaths

- Highway markers around Tree of Imagination A SM/RK meeting is to be arranged to discuss the positioning of the markers
- Adopt a Road No updates
- Speed Watch An email had been received stating that CWAC could not support the use of a trial average speed camera system in the village and that CWAC is currently reviewing on their own schemes with the police for average speed cameras. A children's art anti-speeding

project by the new Landlady of the Crown Inn was discussed and it was suggested that the Council could support this in part if a proposal was brought forward.

• Grass verges update – It was agreed to leave the verges for this year.

#### 18.72 Housekeeping and Maintenance

- Best Kept Village Awards Cllr Dutton agreed to GD attend the awards ceremony
- Selecta DNA Update –dates were discussed and it was agreed to confirm 29<sup>th</sup> September and an evening date SM w/c 7<sup>th</sup> October
- The missing sign for the noticeboard was discussed SW Cllr Wilson agreed to pursue the replacement of the sign with the shop

#### 18.73 Correspondence

Correspondence was discussed and it was agreed that a list of SM relevant items be included in the next agenda.

#### 18.74 Matters for the next agenda

Signposts – Cllr Painter requested
Broadband update
Formally Co-opt (query vacancy)
Quotes for meeting sign board
Budget
Anti-speeding campaign by the Crown

#### 18.75 To note the date of the next meeting

The date was noted

NEXT MEETING 7.30 P.M. WEDNESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AT LOWER PEOVER SCHOOL HALL.

Parish					Ollerton &	Plumley with	
	Chelford	Lower Peover	Peover Superior	Nether Alderley	Marthall	Toft & Bexton	Snelson
Burglaries Dwellings							
Burglaries Non- Dwellings							
Theft Other	01/10 19:57 Alderley Rd Drive off – fuel 01/10 Alderley Rd Drive off – fuel 11/10 09:31 Catalic converter			21/10 20:48 Monks Heath BP garage Drive off-fuel		28/09 14:40 A556 – theft of tyre and barrel	
Suspicious Persons / vehicles	02/10 21:40 Astle Lane – Person 13/10 11:08 Knutsford Rd - Male		02/10 19:55 – Stocks Lane Over Peover – male aggressive selling 04/10 12:10 Cinders Lane Over Peover Male selling items at door	12/10 14:56 Chelford Rd - vehicles	23/10 13:28 Lower Moss wood. Male walking around the woods.		29/10 10:46 Snelson lane 5 males believed to be hunt sabs
999 Alarms all				13/10 10:19			17/10 20:24
in Order				Sossmoss Lane			Common Lane
Anti-Social Behaviour	25/10 Elmstead rd, ongoing neighbor harassment				12/10 12:40 Oaklands Rd Ollerton - Persons		
Criminal	26/10 St Johns				01/10 09:54		
Damage	Church. Window broken,two stones thrown				School Lane – Window 05/10 10:34 School Lane		
Animals in the Road					16/10 18:36 Pinfold Lane Marthall –cows		

Toft & Bexton Snelson  12/10 15:02 Chester Rd A556 Traffic lights not working
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working
20/10 17:55
Chester road
A556 road rage
(under
investigation)
02/10 09:05
e Fail Vehicle failed to
stop – arrested
25/10 10.30 x 1 Speeding
Plumley Moor
Road
Nodu
09/10 11:57
Peover Lane
Ash
1-
Hoax
1

Community speed watch for Chelford Ward. Location checks for the Ward have been completed and Parish councils to confirm dates for training.

#### **Events**

5/11 1400-1400 Police Surgery at Plumley Garden centre

17/11 1530-1630 Police surgery at Marton Meadows Golf club

17/11 1700-1800 DNA Selecta marking Snelson (venue to be confirmed)

21/11 1300-1400 Tree Tops Nursery Over Peover

22/11 1100-1200 DNA Selecta marking Snelson

2/12 Mobile Police surgery Snelson church 1000-1045

Marthall Church hall 1100-1145

Peover Superior village Green 1200-1245

## Payments to be approved – 14/11/18

Office expenses - envelopes, paper, files (to S Morgan)	£40.69
Reimbursement for purchase of printer (to S Morgan)	£152.39
Clerks fee and expenses (E McGrath)	£1080.56
HMRC PAYE	£290.80
Meeting room hire	£9
Reimbursement for printing costs – Newsletter (to L Corlett)	£66
Reimbursement of Office 365 Software (to S Morgan)	£59.99
Reimbursement for purchase of laminator (to S Morgan)	£15.47

#### LOWER PEOVER PARISH COUNCIL

BUDGET

Year End	31/03/2019	31/03/2020	31/03/2021
Opening Bank Balance 01/04/2018	£16,183.29	£12,716.29	£10,986.29
INCOME			
Precept	6500.00	7000.00	7500.00
Grants	0.00	1000.00	1000.00
Parish Plan	0.00		
Donations	0.00		
VAT Reclaim	100.00	125.00	140.00
TOTAL	6600.00	8125.00	8640.00
EXPENDITURE			
Clerks Salary	2909.00	3000.00	3000.00
Office Expenses	200.00	200.00	220.00
Website/Newsletter	230.00	250.00	275.00
Insurance costs	280.00	280.00	300.00
Subscriptions and Seminars	300.00	300.00	220.00
Training	100.00	250.00	250.00
Administration costs	250.00	250.00	250.00
Grass and verge Cutting	0.00	1000.00	1000.00
Meeting Room Hire	75.00	100.00	100.00
Audit Fee	0.00	0.00	0.00
Selecta DNA	2323.00	0.00	0.00
Repairs to fingerposts	3000.00	0.00	0.00
Environmental Projects	0.00	2500.00	2000.00
Graveyard Upkeep	400.00	400.00	400.00
Election Fees	0.00	100.00	100.00
Sundry Expenses	0.00	100.00	100.00

#### **Division of Precept Requirement**

Closing Bank Balance

TOTAL

£

The Council Tax raised by Peover Inferior taxpayers is the equivalent of 74.34 Band D properties. The Council Tax raised by Nether Peover taxpayers is the equivalent of 201.1 Band D properties. In order to ensure that taxpayers in Peover Inferior and Nether Peover pay the same amounts of the Parich Council part of the Council Tax for each band the requirement should be split in the ratio 74.34:201.1 (Cheshire East:Cheshire West).

8730.00

£10,986.29

8215.00

£10,271.29

CWAC - If Council tax remained the same for CWAC (£25.98), precept would be reduceed to £1931 If precept remains at £1950, Band D would increase to £26.23

2018-19 CEC - 201.1 taxbase 2019-20 TBC

2019-20

10067.00

£12,716.29

#### Date of Report - 05/11/2018

#### Verge Markers - Tree of Imagination

A meeting has been requested with the CEC Highways department to discuss potential installation of verge markers around the tree of imagination. These were suggested to deter parking around the tree, to improve safety and to stop vehicles mounting the corner of the verge.

Cheshire East Council Highways department have previously advised that there should be a minimum distance of 6 metres between any verge markers, which must also be set back from the highway, however they have not responded to a request to meet. There is room for 6 verges markers (see Annex 1)

Markers with a reflective strip could be installed to enhance visibility. The markers shown below can be installed with reflectors and offer a style which is in keeping with the Tree of Imagination and location. Cost of 6 bollards in oak plus reflective strips is £863. Installation costs would need to be sought it these were considered suitable. CEC Highways may facilitate the installation due to the risk of working at the roadside.

Alternative bollards which can be simply stick into the ground (and potentially removed) start at £20



#### **Decision**

Do the Council wish to proceed with the installation of 6 verge markers, subject to the approval of CEC Highways?

## Annex 1



#### Date of Quotation – 25/10/18

#### Fingerpost refurbishment

Leander Architectural have provided a quotation to repair and refurbish three fingerposts in the village: -

- 1. By the Crown on Middlewich Road £860 for a complete refurbishment
- 2. Junction of Hulme Lane and Back Corner Lane £1215 (replacement column and refurbishment of fingers and finial)
- 3. Free Green Lane/Middlewich Road £760 (retaining two existing fingers) or £1190 (adding two replacement fingers)

#### Total cost: -

- a. £2835 retaining fingers on option 3
- b. £3265 adding new fingers on option 3

#### **Decision**

Do the Council wish to proceed with the repairs as outlined?