

# PEBMARSH PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES

Of the meeting held

25<sup>th</sup> September 2019

In Pebmarsh Village Hall, Pebmarsh CO9

**Present:** Cllr P Crimmins (Chair), Cllr D Ballard, Cllr M Sharp, Cllr J Tuffnell  
Clerk – Shelley Boydell  
Cllr Spray and Cllr G Courtauld visiting from BDC

1. **Apologies for Absence** - None
2. **Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Tuffnell regarding item 9.1
3. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019** – All agreed
4. **District and County Items** –
  - a. ECC issues – Cllr D Finch not in attendance
  - b. BDC issues - Cllr G Spray and Cllr G Courtauld both attended.

Cllr Spray mentioned:

Local Plan responses due in by December 2019 and hopes it is approved. Upturn in speculative planning applications to BDC. Earls Colne has had five housing sites proposed. White Colne / Colne Engaine applications as well. Pebmarsh no applications to date.

Courtauld mentioned:

He was learning the role and glad to visit Pebmarsh

5. **Public Forum** - No issues raised by the public.
6. **Proposed Phone Mast Site Update by Cllr D Ballard** – No news
7. **County Broadband Update** – Lloyd, CEO, unable to attend and James, Sales Manager, deputised. It was explained that CB had faced challenges to date trying to install services as third parties had let them down, so progress not as fast as they would have liked. Installation plans have been revised with some underground works now being over ground. The main build will start in October 2019 and services will be up and running over next 12 months. All customers will be connected by December 2020.
8. **Ms Hayley Morley, Associate Director of Strutt and Parker** – did not attend.

**9. BDC Planning**

Planning Applications:

9.1 19/01697/OUT: Location: Pearland Workshop, Birchleys Road, Pebmarsh  
Demolition of existing buildings and erection of four dwellings in two semi-detached pairs, together with a new vehicular access (existing access to be blocked up)

Comments - Parish Council would like to object to this planning application due to it being outside the village envelope and granting planning permission may set a precedent for the future.

9.2 19/01481/LBC: Hope Cottage, Cripple Corner, Pebmarsh  
Replacement Windows

Comments -

9.3 19/01640/HH: Barn Off A131, Catley Cross, Pebmarsh  
Proposed conversion of existing rear store to annex

Comments -

**10. Finance** – Clerk confirmed that all accounting variances have been accounted for and approved. All cheques approved for payment. No payments made or received since last meeting.

**11. Projects Grants and Funding Initiative**

Bus Shelter: Cllr Sharp discussed re-vamping the bus shelter and PC agreed to look into applying for a grant. Cllr G Courtauld offered some funding towards the bus shelter re-vamp.

St John the Baptist Church: Cllr Crimmins praised the great work by all concerned in the Friends Of St John Baptist Church. The fund raising had reached circa £10,000 in total. Thanked Jonathan Nott for his sterling work. All PPC agreed to support the initiative as the village church as extremely important asset. All PPC agreed that the closure of the church would be a great loss to the community.

**12. Date of Next Meeting** – 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Cllr Crimmins thanked all for attending and contributing.

**Signed**

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**Chairman**