

PEBMARSH PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Of the meeting held 21st March 2023

Present: Cllr B Nott, Cllr J Tufnell, Cllr J Rumsey, Cllr L Darroux
Clerk – Mrs Shelley Boydell
District Councillors – Cllr G Spray
County Councillor – none
Members of Public – 14

MINUTES

1.(21/03/2023) Apologies for Absence – Cllr M Sharp, Cllr P Schwier, Cllr G Coutauld

2.(21/03/2023) Declarations of Interest – Cllr B Nott – Haul Road

3.(21/03/2023) Minutes of previous Parish Council Meetings
The minutes were agreed by all and will be signed by the Chairman in due course.

4.(21/03/2023) District / County Councillors Reports
Cllr Gabrielle Spray
Difficult year this year, BDC have budget gap and have subsequently raised Council tax 2.5% to avoid cuts to main services, 2.5 million pounds from Government for building new homes, this money was earmarked for road improvement at Galleys Corner but this work has been scrapped. Residents in BDC are in the only District Council in England that will be paying less this year than last year, due to new homes growth dividend, enabling BDC to give £25 off to each household.

5.(21/03/2023) Clerk's Report – noted

6.(21/03/2023) Public Forum –
Quiet lanes and reducing speed limits in the village were discussed.
Phone signal concerns after 2025 when copper wire for land lines is removed.

7.(21/03/2023) Parish Upkeep & Village Matters

- a) Cllr J Rumsey to obtain quotes for new playground equipment and look into possible grants.
- b) Fund raising event to be discussed at The Annual Parish Meeting.
- c) Cllr G Spray confirmed that the district council does not support the Haul Road and that it is disappointing that National Grid does not appear to have listened to concerns. An independent inspector will be appointed for examination.
- d) All in agreement in principle to an additional defibrillator in the village.
- e) Quiet lane proposals were discussed but no decisions were made.

8.(21/03/2023) Current Planning Applications - none

9.(21/03/2023) Finance

- a) *separate finance report noted (circulated for review prior to meeting)*
- b) *Contractor review moved to next meeting due to upcoming elections*

10.(21/03/2023) Items for Next Agenda –
Playground – strategies going forward, Additional Defibrillator, Contractor reviews (including internal auditor), Quiet Lanes / 20mph, Phone Mast – need once land lines are obsolete, Haul Road, Committee for Events etc.

11.(21/03/2023) Dates of Next Meetings
10th May (AGM followed by Parish Council Meeting)

Meeting closed 20:20

Signed by Chairman Cllr Michael Sharp