

**Penketh Parish Council**

**Minutes of the Meeting of Penketh Parish Council  
Held remotely on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2020 7:30pm**

**Present:** Cllr D Simm (Chair)  
Cllr R McKay (Vice)  
Cllr L Ashton  
Cllr D Baker  
Cllr L Dirir  
Cllr G Fellows  
Cllr A Heaver  
Cllr D Keane  
Cllr T Keane  
Cllr C Lenihan  
Cllr D Solan-Cooper  
Cllr C Wych  
Also, in attendance: G Humphreys (Clerk)

**The meeting was opened by Cllr Simm at 7.30pm**

**C2875 APOLOGIES**

All in attendance.

**C2876 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS**

Members were reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal or prejudicial interest that they may have had in any item of business on the agenda no later than when the item was reached.

**C2877 COMMUNITY POLICING REPORT**

Clerk read report detailed below.

Large groups have been moved from Penketh Mount on several occasions and the Water Pipes near to the Mersey working with local community to resolve issue. Cannabis and other drug paraphernalia removed from people on the Trans Pennine trial. People have been dealt with slow time.

Ongoing attention to Farnworth field due to groups of youths gathering. Special officers have carried traffic duties on Warrington Road number of tickets issued for various offences. Speed enforcement and SID placed on Stocks Lane and speed enforcement carried out on Warrington Road. Speedwatch will be restarted with only 2 members that will socially

distance and follow government guidelines per operation an email has been sent to WBC chasing the Tesco SID.

A question was raised for PCSO Heaps to give attention to park areas as silver cannisters being found.

**Resolved: Clerk to advise.**

## **C2878 ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Meeting was being held remotely. Questions had been asked on social media regarding Penketh Tavern appeal details received. Cllr Lenihan had received photographs of overhanging branches on Greystone Rec a discussion was held on the need for both park boundaries to be looked at and scope need to attend.

**Resolved: Cllr Lenihan to send photographs to Clerk, then Clerk to obtain quotes from tree specialists.**

## **C2879 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**RESOLVED: Minutes from meeting held on May 13<sup>th</sup>2020 were approved as an accurate record.**

Minutes were proposed and seconded by Cllrs D Keane and D Baker.

Cllr Lenihan advised that he had previously objected to February's minutes and was not given the opportunity to object at last month's meeting. Cllr Baker advised minutes were not a verbatim of the meeting and not every conversation was to be noted, only decisions and actions agreed following national guidelines. Cllr Fellows had sent an amendment which he had agreed to. Cllr Heaver advised he specifically asked for details and this was not mentioned. Further discussions held on that 12 Councillors attend and all inputs were not noted as this was not good governance. It was stated the minutes did not give residents the full picture of the meeting, Clerk had sent the minutes in advance of meeting and no comment had been received regarding these two matters. Minutes again proposed and again objected to, a point of order was made that Clerk was to re check whether Cllr Lenihan was given time to object, and if not a proper record they would be changed in July.

Vote taken, Cllrs Baker, Ashton, T Keane, D Keane, Dirir and Simm in favour, Cllrs Lenihan and Heaver against and Cllrs Fellows, Solan-Cooper and Wych abstained. Further discussion on reasons for abstentions and objections as draft minutes had been circulated prior to meeting and no correspondence had been received. Chair moved on the meeting.

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## C2880 MATTERS ARISING

A discussion was held on the need for delegated powers to Clerk, it was decided there was no need to pursue any further.

## C2881 CLERK'S REPORT

A grant application was received from Red Cross in view of lack of funding due to CV19, Council decided as Penketh Parish was already funding a local group this would not be appropriate as not pertaining to Penketh. A vote was taken all in favour.

### Resolved; Clerk to advise

Clerk was asked about correspondence list, an explanation was provided if able to reply Clerk then does so, or if not possible, it was brought to the meeting, and residents advised accordingly of the course of action. Clerk advised she had been in touch with Royal Mail re outstanding removal of old style grey box on St Mary's Road, original request lost, Clerk to urge.

## C2881 PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS

ref no.	Address	Description
<b>14.5 2020/36982</b>	1 Holly Terrace	<b>Prpsd sg storey rear and side extension with provision for off road parking &amp; alterations to vehicular access</b>
<b>22.5 2020/36842</b>	Arpley landfill Forrest way	<b>Prspd extn of final date of restoration from 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2018 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022 permit the importation of upto 40000m3 of soil for restoration &amp; to make amendments to final scheme of restoration</b>
<b>26.5 2020/37031</b>	11 Southlands ave	<b>Prsd sg storey rear/side extn to bungalow following demolition of existing conservatory</b>

2020/36337 Friends Lane Riding school and 2020/36313 Chapel Rd all at Development Control  
10<sup>th</sup> June.

**Resolved: Outcome of both to be recorded when received.**

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A discussion was held on appeal for Penketh Tavern, residents have been concerned it was discussed to encourage as many representations to Planning Inspectorate

**Resolved: clerk to write also, Councillors to encourage Penketh residents.**

Further discussion held on 2020/36842 on extension and what plans and reasoning behind extension, no objections to plan.

### **C2882 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MANAGEMENT MEETING**

No meeting held due to Coronavirus 19. Discussion held on outstanding operational items and move to re-opening and reasons why no meeting had been held, Chair advised there was nothing to discuss at this stage, Cllr Heaver asked about an email he had written, Chair advised to move on Cllr Heaver objected to this. Chair moved meeting.

### **C2883 CORRESPONDENCE**

Corres item 11 referred to recent complaint about loud bangs, this had been referred to Warrington Borough Council as believed to be a farmer scaring the birds to protect the crops. Cllr Lenihan advised he had received anonymous letters regarding the hub being run from Youth Club, a discussion was held on the content and again reiterated this was a volunteer run group, discussion on logo of Parish Council on slips and a parcel going out of the Penketh area, it was asked if any other Councillors had any complaints, it was felt that this matter had been discussed previously and not appropriate for the meeting, slip said with compliments of Parish this was commentated on as could be seen as misleading. A point of order was raised that in last month's meeting it was agreed for a review on 8<sup>th</sup> July, discussion held on rebranding of the group, questions previously raised and unanswered, shopping lists, parcels, and costs. Chair reiterated group is run by volunteers this question not appropriate for Parish meeting.

Cllr Heaver asked about email regarding Management meeting, a report had been sent with minutes from Deputy Manager, and further updates were becoming available week commencing 15<sup>th</sup> June, further discussion on frequency of meetings and way forward to safely operate, request for a Management meeting was to be added on next month's agenda.

**Resolved: Clerk to place on July's agenda.**

### **C2884 REPORT FROM PARISH SURGERY**

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None held.

Next Parish surgery TBA

### **C2885 MONTHLY ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL & INVOICES FOR PAYMENT**

- Accounts for June 2020 and the monthly expenditure of £10,771.43 including DD KLS £9,850.
- Closing balance of £277,358.80 and unpresented cheques £65.00 were accurate.

**Proposed Cllr Simm and seconded Cllr Baker invoices to be signed after meeting.**

A request was made for copies of two cheques.

**Resolved: Clerk to provide.**

**AOB**

**C2886**

A discussion was held on the need for a budget meeting. A request had been made for a budget/finance meeting as cash flow/forecast was not known, it was agreed 24<sup>th</sup> June 7:30pm

**Resolved: Items for discussion to be sent to Clerk prior to the meeting.**

Cllr Baker had requested motions to be put to part two, upon advice was advised if personal details not mentioned they could remain in part one, after Councillors spoke about each motion agreed in part two.

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