# Kirkby Mallory, Peckleton & Stapleton Parish Council

# Minutes of meeting held at Kirkby Mallory Old School Room on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2024

Present: Cllr A Porter (S), Cllr J Newbury Smith (KM), Cllr F Barson (KM), Cllr S Sykes (P), Cllr C Gerrard (S).

In Attendance: Mrs A Stretton (Clerk and RFO).

There were 5 members of the public present plus Cllr Mark Bools (HBBC).

# 24/102 Welcome/Apologies for Absence

**RESOLVED:** Apologies were accepted from Cllr M Hill. Apologies were also noted from Cllrs Crookes and Webber-Jones (HBBC).

24/103 Declarations by Members of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests (in relation to Agenda items) including requests for dispensations.

**RESOLVED:** None.

24/104 To review, approve and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2024

**RESOLVED:** On the proposal of Cllr Newbury-Smith, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> June 2024 were approved and the Chairman signed them.

# 24/105 To receive reports from Borough and County Councillors

**RESOLVED:** Council noted receipt of the County Councillor's report. Cllr Bools commented that the HBBC Local Plan is now in consultation. There is no assigned development in the plan for our parish. All three villages are classed as hamlets. There will be a number of roadshows locally to enable parishioners to view the plans.

HBBC are reviewing the Noise Abatement Notice and will carry out a public consultation in due course.

## 24/106 Parishioners Question Time

A member of the public reported that the Old School Room Committee is now confirmed as a CIO, they have submitted notice to HBBC that they wish to purchase the School Room and have until the 29<sup>th</sup> November when the 6 month period allowed for Community Assets ends. They plan to write to the parish Council to formally ask them to apply for a Public Works Board Loan to aid the purchase. They also commented that their solicitor has contradicted the advice from the Diocesan Board of Education and it is their opinion that the Trust has not failed. This has been sent to the Diocese and to the vicar who have said they will respond in September.

# 24/107 Situation Updates.

24/107.1 Crime Statistics – to note the latest report for May and June 2024.

**RESOLVED:** Council noted the statistics listed below:

May:

Stapleton: 3 – burglary, violence & sexual offences, vehicle crime. Kirkby Mallory: 2 – vehicle crime, violence & sexual offences.

Peckleton: 1 – burglary.

June:

Stapleton: 2 - Burglary on Mill Close, public order offence on Beale Close car park.

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Kirkby Mallory: 8 - Stapleton Lane/Circuit -3 x violence and sexual offences, 1 x public order offence. Church Road -1 x criminal damage and 1 x violence and sexual offences. Preston Close -1 x vehicle crime. Shilton Road -1 x violence or sexual offences.

Peckleton: 3 - Kirkby Lane burglary, Main Street – 2 x burglary and 1 x criminal damage
The Clerk has not had a response from the local police for an explanation of and update on recent crime statistics and will pursue this. Cllr Bools offered contact details which he will share with the Clerk.
24/107.2 Playground inspections – to note the monthly inspection reports and consider any actions arising from them.

**RESOLVED:** Council noted the reports, which did not raise any issues. A number of mole hills have been noted at the parks but not close to any play equipment. Council gave the clerk permission to call in a pest controller if moles become a safety issue between meetings.

24/107.3 Traffic Calming- to receive an update on conversations with LCC Highways and other traffic related matters in the Parish.

**RESOLVED:** Council noted that 2 parishioners in Kirkby Mallory have volunteered to move and charge the MVAS sign/battery. Quotations have also been received from 2 contractors. Clerk to ensure that contractors can provide PL insurance and to draft a risk assessment. Clerk to check LCC requirements for moving the signs.

[Cllr Gerrard entered the meeting at this point]

MVAS at Peckleton – clerk to organise obtaining data.

Peckleton Common – further correspondence received from LCC Highways in which they have refused to provide further signage or traffic calming measures. Clerk to respond.

24/107.4 Peckleton Village Hall – damp issues - to receive an update.

**RESOLVED:** Council noted that a detailed survey of the building has been carried out but an update is awaited from the Architect. In the meantime it was noted during the survey that there is quite a lot of damp under the floor which is not causing issues at the moment but has affected the trap door. A member of the village hall management committee has offered to reinforce the trapdoor pending future works. 24/108.5 Change of Parish Name – to receive an update

**RESOLVED:** No update received. Delays caused by land registry. Clerk continues to liaise with solicitors. Council asked the Clerk to look into .gov.uk email addresses once the name change is complete. 24/107.6 Application for Asset of Community Value – Old School Room – to receive an update and agree any actions.

**RESOLVED**: Council noted that the School Room Committee is now a CIO and is actively fund raising to purchase the building and land.

# 24/108 Finance

24/108.1 To review and approve the Bank Reconciliations for June and July 2024

**RESOLVED:** Cllr Porter reported that, in accordance with Standing Orders, a different councillor should review the bank reconciliations occasionally and it was agreed that Cllr Sykes would review them after the meeting.

24/108.2 Bill Payment list –to ratify the payment list for July and approve the bill payment list for August 2024.

**RESOLVED**: On the proposal of Cllr Newbury Smith, Council approved the following payments:

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A Stretton	Clerk Salary	£771.48
HMRC	PAYE	£7.80
Mike Smith	Playground Inspections	£45.00
Mike Smith	Grounds maintenance	£615.00
Carl Andrews	Architect/Survey Fee - Peckleton village hall	£1,080.00
		£2,519.28
NEST	Staff Pension	£55.51
EE	Parish Mobile Phone	£21.10

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		£2,595.89
Income:		
VAT Refund		£810.44
A Stretton	Clerk Salary	£771.48
HMRC	PAYE	£7.80
Mike Smith	Playground Inspections	£45.00
Mike Smith	Grounds maintenance	£410.00
Soul Architects	Surveying services - Peckleton Village Hall	£1,080.00
GTB	Shredding Service	£32.00
DM Payroll	Payroll Services	£60.00
		£2,406.28
NEST	Staff Pension	£55.51
EE	Parish Mobile Phone	£22.21
		£2,484.00

24/108.3 To agree 2 councillors to authorise the online payment of the accounts listed in the above bill payment listings.

**RESOLVED:** It was resolved that Cllrs Newbury Smith and Barson would authorise the online payments. Clerk to email once payments set up ready for authorisation.

24/108.4 To review the cashflow forecast.

**RESOLVED:** Council noted the cashflow forecast.

24/108.5 To review the quarterly report for period ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

**RESOLVED**: Council reviewed and noted the report. It was noted that the Wayleave payments from

Western Power have stopped arriving and the clerk will chase them up.

24/108.6 To consider donating Remembrance wreaths to churches in the parish

**RESOLVED**: Councillors to notify the Clerk if a wreath is needed for their village church.

24/108.7 To consider quotations for a replacement fence at the parish field.

**RESOLVED**: Council reviewed the quotations and aske the clerk to accept one from NCK fencing.

#### 24/109 Planning

To consider the following planning applications and any received since the publication of this agenda. 24/109.1 24/0575/FUL - Installation of an underground grid connection cable within the highway verge and 300m of agricultural land located between the consented Hill Farm Solar Farm (Blaby District Council LPA ref. 21/1386/FUL) and Clump Farm Solar Farm (Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council LPA ref. 21/01242/FUL) to the point of connection at Enderby Substation, Desford Road, Enderby, LE19 4AD. Location: Highway Verge And Agricultural Land On Leicester Road /Hinckley Road (A47) And Desford Road

**RESOLVED:** Noted.

24/109.2 HBBC Local Plan Review – to note that the consultation period for this runs from 31<sup>st</sup> July to 27<sup>th</sup> September and to consider any comments.

**RESOLVED:** Council noted that our 3 villages have rural hamlet status. Add to next agenda for review and comment. Clerk has published on the council website.

## 24/110 Correspondence

24/110.1 Emails of thanks from churches

(B582) Between Thurlaston And Enderby.

**RESOLVED**: Noted

24/110.2 From LCC re the Snow Warden Scheme

RESOLVED: Noted.

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24/110.3 From KM Old School Room re their proposed purchase of the building.

**RESOLVED**: Noted.

24/110.4 From a parishioner relating to planning permissions and noise abatement notice at Mallory Park Circuit and from HBBC re the Noise Abatement Notice at Mallory Park Circuit.

**RESOLVED**: Noted.

24/110.5 From a parishioner about the Council's biodiversity policy, the management of hedgerows and weeds and the lights that have been attached to trees on the green in Peckleton.

**RESOLVED**: Noted. Council noted that the few hedges they are responsible for are cut in accordance with government guidance in order to protect wildlife. The trees that lights have been attached to are owned by LCC.

24/110.6 From a resident about the Kirkby Mallory wildlife verge.

**RESOLVED**: Noted.

24/110.7 Police & Crime Commissioner feedback request.

**RESOLVED**: Noted.

24/110.8 Response from LCC to queries about traffic calming at Peckleton Common.

**RESOLVED**: Noted. Discussed at item 24/107.3 above.

24/108.9 From a parishioner concerned about noise levels and recent traffic levels for events at Mallory

Park.

**RESOLVED**: Noted.

24/109 Clerks Report – to note the content.

**RESOLVED:** Noted.

# 24/110 Members Exchange – for information and suggestion of future agenda items only.

**RESOLVED:** The clerk was asked to add Speedwatch campaign to the next agenda. Cllr Barson and a parishioner had looked into the flooding issue on Stapleton Lane and had some information to feed back to LCC about the source of the problem.

Cllr Porter reported that the Methodist Chapel in Stapleton is to close on the 31st August.

Due to the resignation of the Clerk, it was noted that a Staffing Committee meeting is needed in the near future.

Cllr Sykes reported that she had attended the Caterpillar/Neovia liaison meeting. The recent noise, due to pile driving was due to temporary testing. Neovia is due to close in September.

**24/111 Date of Next Council Meeting:** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at Peckleton.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

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