

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 11th May 2026

at The Verney, 13 Newboundmill Lane, Pleasley NG19 7PL

Present Parish Cllrs; I Allen (Chair) T Allsop, C Dale, M Gamble, M Fradley, W Kirkham, L McCormack, L Radford
District Councillor Tom Kirkham
Clerk I Weekes

0526/46 Election of Chairman of Pleasley Parish Council for the year of 2026/2027 Councillor I Allen was proposed as Chair by W Kirkham, seconded by C Dale and was RESOLVED unanimously.

0526/47 Election of Vice-Chairman of the Pleasley Parish Council for the year of 2026/27 Councillor W Kirkham was proposed as Vice Chair by C Dale and seconded by L Radford and was RESOLVED unanimously

0526/48 To receive apologies for absence. District Councillor C Tite and Derbyshire County Councillor S Reaney,

0526/49 To consider reasons for absence provided by Councillors who cannot attend and resolve the Council's acceptance noted.

0526/50 Variations of order of business - none

0526/51 Declaration of Members' Interests - none

0526/52 Requests for Dispensations - none

0526/53 Public Speaking (15 minutes) no members of public present

0526/54 Confidential items To determine which items on the agenda if any should be taken with the public excluded – Clerks hours to be discussed under confidential business (**see item**

0526/81)

0526/55 Chair's Announcements

i. Chairman to consider acceptance of Chairman's allowance of for 2026/27. Chair confirmed he declined the allowance for 2026/27.

0526/56 To approve the draft minutes of the meeting of the Full Council Meeting held on 13/4/26 Minutes approved as amended – Councillors C Dale accepted, seconded by L McCormack and RESOLVED unanimously.

0526/57 To confirm the date of next meeting of Pleasley Parish Council scheduled to be held at 7pm on Monday 1st June 2026 at New Houghton Community Centre, 13 Rotherham Rd, New Houghton.

0526/58 Review of Pleasley Parish Council's Standard Orders - updated to NALC model version 31/3/25 – Councillors to review and adopt. Councillors adopted

0526/59 Review of Pleasley Parish Council's Financial Regulations - updated to NALC model version 5/3/25 Councillors to review & adopt, Councillors adopted

0526/60 Risk Assessment Management report of 2026 - (the control of risks) Councillors to review and adopt. Councillors adopted

0526/61 Reports

(a) Report from and Questions to Derbyshire County Councillor Sarah Reaney. No report received

(b) Report and Questions to a District Councillor. C Title sent a report which was read by councillors. District Councillor T Kirkham attended in person and reports that works have started on Millpond No.1 at Pleasley Vale including building out the dam, Mill No.1 is self-insured due to previous flood damage in Mill 1 after having structural integrity issues.

On Inspection of the sluice gate which had shifted due to the weight of water and was urgently emptied to reduce risks. A recent meeting was set up with engineers and wildlife support staff including the toad rescue to explain why the pond was emptied. Another meeting is to be scheduled regarding the wildlife measures, other millponds between mills 2-3 are to have the mud pumped out to avoid affecting the wildlife.

Regarding the planning for midland cottage arguments for and against could go through on a technicality, a public meeting on the subject would give members of the public opportunities to answer questions.

Regarding parking issues regarding the food vans at the Nags Head, the District Councillor is working with them re the ongoing parking issues. The Chair asked if Derbyshire County Council would allow us to put traffic cones up on Saturdays when the food vans are present.

Planning has been involved in the planning applications in between New Houghton & Glapwell.

With the road closure of Newboundmill Lane the Wheelie Bins are due to be collected tomorrow Tuesday 12th May 2026.

District Councillor is continuing to engage with residents regarding damp issues at properties on Meden Avenue Coronation walk damp issues, a public meeting on this subject would be helpful. Chair reports that The Community Association also engaging on these issues.

Councillors raised the issue of fishing in one of the ponds – Councillors/Clerk to report issue to the landowner who is Derbyshire Countryside.

0526/62 Crime reports - Latest information for crimes that were reported in the Parish of Pleasley are as below.

	Nov 25	Dec 25	Jan 26	Feb 26	Mar 26
All Other Crime	5	3	4	5	6
Anti-social behaviour	3	2	2	2	5
Burglary	8				
Criminal Damage & Arson	3		1	3	1
Other Theft	1	2			
Possession Weapons		3			
Violence and sexual offences	5	4	3	8	8
Total	25	14	10	18	20

0526/62 Report from Community Speedwatch initiative.

A Community Speedwatch session was held on 16th April with a team of 4 volunteers held near Pleasley cross aiming at traffic travelling from the A617 Chesterfield Road roundabout.

Approximately 502 cars travelled through the village with 6 cars travelling above the threshold,

however The Police couldn't find 4 of the vehicles, however 2 motorists received warning letters – neither of these lived within the parish. The CSW Zoom meeting had to be moved due to illness until 29.4.26, a meeting was held with the other co-ordinators – issue raised regarding abuse received from motorists – we haven't any issues locally. As a result, The Police has raised a letter and abusive motorists can receive a letter if they abuse CSW volunteers. Training for new volunteers is available every month online every Wednesday. The response of an "All out day" could happen on a monthly basis, perhaps on 30th of each month in cooperation with other community speed watch groups.

0526/63 Allotments /Grazing Land correspondence/reports

For information – Concern received on 28/4/26 regarding an allegation that an allotment tenant has more than 3 bee hives on allotment site. **Chair to ascertain if there's an issue.**

0526/64 Cemetery Correspondence/report - none

0526/65 Street Lighting correspondence/reports - none

0526/66 Footpath/Highways correspondence / reports – for information – email from Derbyshire Highways Chesterfield Rd Pleasley A617 to facilitate annual highway maintenance traffic restrictions/speed limits will be in force from 0930 – 1530 on for Friday 17th July 2026. From the Junction with Chesterfield Rd (traffic lights nr White Swan) – up to the roundabout and continuing onto the A617 towards Appleby Guest House.

0526/67 Community Centre correspondence

Councillors to approve costs for a new contractor to undertake collection and emptying of hygiene waste at both Community Centres – Emailed Quote of 7/4/26 from Contractor. The cost of each unit is £156 per year. Councillors to determine the number of units required for each community centre and approve costs. Clerk to gain another quote for approval at the next meeting.

0526/68 Councillors to approve costs of Annual and maintenance and service contractor for the Fire Alarm & Emergency Lighting Systems for £496.38 plus vat per annum for New Houghton Community & The Verney – re Email of 19/4/26 – Councillors approved service contract from 01/06/26 – 31/5/27.

0526/69 - Recreations Grounds correspondence/reports).

Playground Inspections & Maintenance Service Monthly Report April 2026– Clerk reports only significant change since previous report is U 8" flat seat swing at Terrace Lane has wear & tear – Clerk has requested quote for repair for approval at future meeting. **Quote received for £75 plus vat Councillors approved these costs.**

0526/70 - Live and Local reports – 3 councillors met recently to look at menu of artist choices, selection made & to be submitted.

0526/71 - The appearance of Pleasley Parish

email of 10 4 26 requesting Councillors to provide feedback regarding Customer Services Scrutiny Committee (CSSC) - Review of Ground Spaces and Green Maintenance 2025-2026 noted – **no comments - noted**

0526/72 - Councillors reported that there is thick overgrowth near the doctors surgery that requires cutting.

0526/73 - Correspondence for Information of 28/4/26 with **Cleaning Report for Cleaning of 9 Bus Shelters** in New Houghton/Pleasley – no change in condition.

0526/74 - Failure of Battery on Defibrillator at Terrace Lane Bus Shelter Email of 16/8/26 from Community Heartbeat Charity - As the Defib battery has failed early and the defibrillator is still under warranty Clerk is raising this as a return with the manufacture, defibrillator is currently offline, however the other 3 in the village are all active. Clerk & Chair to chase.

0526/75 - email of 4/5/26 from District Councillor T Kirkham, residents have approached me asking if a bench can be put at the top of the lane from the parish council as at present residents are using the grit bin as a seat when resting on the way up terrace lane. Chair reports although we are not responsible for installing such a seat, this would require maintenance and upkeep. Councillors to look at this issue for discussion on next agenda item.

Event Planning

0526/76 - Proposal to organise children and mature persons parties at each Community Centre near Christmas. Entertainer charges £150 per party for a maximum of 30 attendees per party. Working Group has been set up to discuss this further and bring these details to this meeting for approval. – to be discussed at a future meeting.

0526/77 - Councillors to approve request from St Michael's Church Events Committee asking if they can have a stall at the Scarecrow Festival Councillors – approved. Scarecrow group working group to feedback at the next meeting.

0526/78 – recent Newsletter no matters arising

0526/79 - Parish Newsletter update - Information to be received before the end of May to include scarecrow, Halloween group, Christmas events.

0526/80- Planning Matters –comments received 21 days of the notification date.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Consultation on application for Full Planning Permission

16th April 2026

REFERENCE NO : 26/00062/FUL

APPLICANT : Iain and Katherine Bird

DEVELOPMENT : Proposed dwelling house attached to an existing outbuilding

LOCATION : Land South East Of 5 Newboundmill Lane Pleasley

15th April 2026

REFERENCE NO : 26/00133/TPO

APPLICANT : Mr Mark Morgan

DEVELOPMENT : 20% crown thin of Beech tree

LOCATION : 7 Booth Avenue Pleasley Mansfield NG19 7T

0526/81 - Financial Reports - Councillors to approve the following payment schedule.

Invoice Date	Payee	Invoice No	Details	Net £	VAT £	Gross £
17.02.26	TIS Integrated Solutions Ltd	SI-084523	MCP found not reset corrected and reset, Detector in Verney Cleaning Cupboard Detector faulty replaced and reset with new detector	281.55	56.31	337.86
23.03.26	Bolsover District Council	232546	Playground Inspection and Maintenance - monthly - December 25 - March 26	240	48	288
31.03.26	Shirebook Town Council	1637	Hire of Outreach Chair Aerobics Instructors - 4th ,11th ,18th, 25th 2026	73.33	14.67	88
01.04.26	Bolsover District Council	232979	Trade Refuse Contract 2618 from 01.04.26-30.09.26 240 Litre Bin Fornightly	171.21	0	171.21
01.04.26	Bolsover District Council	232711	Trade Refuse Contract 830 from 01.04.26-30.09.26 240/500 litre Bins Monthly	838.76	0	838.76
01.04.26	Bolsover District Council	232700	Trade Refuse Contract 1049 from 01.04.26-30.09.26 660 litre trade weekly	558.74	0	558.74
01.04.26	TIS Integrated Solutions Ltd	SI-085017	Emergency Lights & Fire Alarm Service Verney/New Houghton Community Centres	499.04	99.81	598.85
01.04.26	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	17253	Cleaning of 9 bus shelters in Pleasley & New Houghton - March 26	71.28	14.26	85.54
13.04.26	Bolsover District Council	233845	Holiday Activity Programme for 2026/27	1278	0	1278
24.04.26	Dalc	SI-5076	Clerk Essential Parts & 1 & 2 Refresher Training 21st /23rd April 2026	110	0	110
25.03.26	Bolsover District Council	232572	Remove of fly tipping containing asbestos on Crompton St Allotments 1/9/25	1492	298.4	1790.4
28.04.26	Civic Pride UK Ltd	SI-6672	43 x Lamppost Testing completed	451.5	90.3	541.8
29.04.26	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	17302	Cleaning of 9 bus shelters in Pleasley & New Houghton- April 26	78.39	15.68	94.07
	Derbyshire Unemployed Workers		1st installment of £1000 donation, 2nd Installment to be reviewed October 2026 (as approved March 26 minutes)	1000		1000
				7143.8	637.43	7781.23

Councillors Approved

0526/80 - Councillors receive copies of the below bank reconciliations as part of this agenda and these transactions to be reviewed by councillors and to be approved during this meeting.

Date	Type	Description	Rate	VAT	EXP	INCOME	BALANCE
		Opening Balance					12,859.42
01-Apr-26	D/D	BOLSOVER D C , 800224800			-178.4		12,681.02
01-Apr-26	D/D	BOLSOVER D C , 800197465			-205.6		12,475.42
01-Apr-26	DPC	Clerk Amazon HP Printer Cartridge refund	20.00%	-3.47	-20.79		12,454.63
01-Apr-26	DPC	HMRC Liabilities Tax/NI Month 12 - MARCH 26			-861.97		11,592.66
01-Apr-26	DPC	Staff Salaries Month 12 - MARCH 26			-2805.49		8,787.17
01-Apr-26	BAC	CB Meden Grazing Monthly Rental				100	8,887.17
01-Apr-26	BAC	SH & BC Dale Engineering Grazing Land Monthly				75	8,962.17
01-Apr-26	BAC	JM Dale Engineering Grazing Land Monthly Rental				125	9,087.17
02-Apr-26	D/D	AQUISS New Houghton Internet Fees	20.00%	-6.00	-36		9,051.17
02-Apr-26	DPC	Wholesale Office Supplies - H&S Law Posters for Verney & New Houghton Community Centres	20.00%	-10.23	-61.4		8,989.77
02-Apr-26	DPC	Clerk Amazon HP Printer Cartridge refund	20.00%	-6.86	-41.15		8,948.62
02-Apr-26	C/R	836112 Credit				500	9,448.62
07-Apr-26	D/D	NEST Pension Fees M12			-52.31		9,396.31
10-Apr-26	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINE, 600221089 Gas NHCC	5.00%	-1.37	-28.67		9,367.64
14-Apr-26	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINE, 601078138 Electricity Verney	5.00%	-1.58	-33.15		9,334.49
14-Apr-26	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINE, 601078068 Electricity NHCC	5.00%	-1.17	-24.62		9,309.87
16-Apr-26	DPC	Clerk refund - Cartridge World - box of A5 paper	20.00%	-3.83	-22.98		9,286.89
17-Apr-26	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINE, 601078068 Electricity NHCC	5.00%	-2.76	-57.93		9,228.96
20-Apr-26	D/D	BRITISH GAS BUSINE, 600983076 Gas Verney	5.00%	-12.77	-268.11		8,960.85
20-Apr-26	D/D	BT GROUP PLC Verney Telephone & Internet	20.00%	-6.79	-40.74		8,920.11
20-Apr-26	DPC	SHIREBROOKTOWN C , PLEASLEY PC 001633	20.00%	-11.00	-66		8,854.11
20-Apr-26	DPC	SHELTER MAINTAIN LTD, INV17184 Bus Shelter Clean February 2026	20.00%	-14.26	-85.54		8,768.57
20-Apr-26	DPC	Clerk Amazon HP Printer Cartridge refund	20.00%	-7.19	-43.12		8,725.45

20-Apr-26	DPC	GUARDIAN GAS , INV 1265 New Houghton Boiler	20.00%	-660.60	-3963.6		4,761.85
20-Apr-26	DPC	CL JANITORIAL , Inv 48505 Verney Cleaning Supplies	20.00%	-21.88	-131.28		4,630.57
20-Apr-26	DPC	Trevor Davis , 11833 Newsletter Printing			-398		4,232.57
22-Apr-26	BAC	SB Meden Allotment 26/27 Payment				40	4,272.57
23-Apr-26	D/D	SAGE UK LTD Accounting Software	20.00%	-11.20	-67.2		4,205.37
23-Apr-26	BAC	TL Crompton Allotment 26/27 Payment				40	4,245.37
23-Apr-26	BAC	IK Crompton Allotment 26/27 Payment				80	4,325.37
23-Apr-26	BAC	JP Crompton Allotment 26/27 Payment				120	4,445.37
23-Apr-26	BAC	BC Crompton Allotment 26/27 Payment				80	4,525.37
27-Apr-26	D/D	WATER PLUS , 0831128392 Water rates Verney			-61.98		4,463.39
27-Apr-26	D/D	WATER PLUS , 0748010617 Water Rates Meden			-596.46		3,866.93
27-Apr-26	D/D	WATER PLUS , 0510004799 NHCC Water			-39.86		3,827.07
27-Apr-26	BAC	KS Meden Allotment 26/27 Payment				80	3,907.07
28-Apr-26	BAC	KM Meden Allotment 26/27 Payment				40	3,947.07
28-Apr-26	BAC	SK Crompton Allotment 26/27 Payment				40	3,987.07
29-Apr-26	C/R	New Houghton Community Centre April Income				305	4,292.07
30-Apr-26	D/D	NPOWER , A0009234798001 Electricity CCTV	5.00%	-7.32	-153.72		4,138.35
30-Apr-26	BAC	BOLSOVER DISTRICT PRECEPT 1st payment				57825.5	61,963.85
		TOTALS		-790.26	-10346.07	59450.5	
		OPENING BALANCE		12,859.42			
		CLOSING BALANCE		61,963.85			

i Clerk notes that the Balance of the Current account on 30/4/25 was £53511.47

ii..Clerk notes that the Current Balance of the Reserve Account is £4,160.68

0526/81 - Item moved items from Chairman's announcements to Confidential Business

Chair requested Councillors discuss hours worked by Clerk - On behalf of the Pleasley Parish Councillors we would like to say thank you to the Clerk for the extra hours worked. Councillors approved an increase in the Clerk's contracted working hours from 15 to 20 per week to cover the extra hours worked through the year.

0526/82 Councillors to list items for the future agenda items

- i. Clerk to start make requests for quotes regarding replacement fire alarms at New Houghton & The Verney to influence future budgeting decisions.
- ii. Discuss siting of seat on Terrace Lane, Pleasley
- iii. Feedback from working group re Christmas party arrangements
- iv. Feedback from working group re scarecrow festival arrangements
- v. Feedback from Chair regarding Bee Hives on Crompton Allotments
- vi. Additional quote required for Hygiene waste collections for community centres.
- vii Update on Terrace Lane Defibrillator.

