

PEWSEY COMMUNITY AREA PARTNERSHIP (PCAP)

Thursday 18th April 2019
7pm at Hilcott Village Hall

With thanks to North Newnton Parish Council for the donation of the meeting room

MINUTES

Present

Cllr Dawn Wilson	WfCAP, PCAP Chair Wilcot & Huish (With Oare) Parish Council
Cllr Peter Deck	Pewsey Parish Council PCAP Sub Group Lead - Planning and Crime & Community Safety
Cllr Colin Gale	Rushall Parish Council, CATG Chair PCAP Sub Group Lead - Transport
Cllr Paul Oatway	Pewsey Area Board, Wiltshire Council
Cllr John Brewin	Woodborough Parish Council
Cllr Caroline Dalrymple	Pewsey Parish Council
Cllr Carolyn Whistler	North Newnton Parish Council PCAP Sub Group Lead - Environment
Mick Leafield	Bobby Van Trust
Susie Brew	PCAP & PVTP Coordinator

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the PCAP Meeting of Thursday 24th January 2019 were approved (proposed Cllr Colin Gale, seconded Cllr Peter Deck) and signed off.

3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from:

Cllr Margaret Holden	Easton Royal Parish Council
Hew Helps	Easton Royal Resident
Cllr Gerry Ward	Upavon Parish Council
Cllr Curly Haskell	Pewsey Parish Council

4. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were declared.

5. Bobby Van Trust Presentation

Mick Leafield from the Bobby Van Trust did a presentation of the work that the Trust undertakes. The presentation was extremely interesting and highlighted the variety of work that the Trust does for the community. Parish Councils at the meeting confirmed that they make an annual donation.

There are a number of schemes across the country, but the only one that is a charity is the Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust - others are council or Police run. There are 3 vans for the county. The Trust doesn't normally charge for the work they do, but they welcome donations to keep the charity going.

The number of domestic burglaries is declining overall, but doorstep crime and online safety issues are on the increase. Domestic abuse cases are frequent, when people need additional security to prevent the perpetrator entering the home.

The Trust can visit someone to do an assessment as a result of a direct request or a referral.

The type of work they may carry out includes fitting of carbon monoxide, fire or heat alarms and installing locks, spyholes and chains. Keysafes can be installed, but they are chargeable (currently £70). In some cases, where police think the victim will be targeted again, they can install security cameras.

The Trust can also help with online safety, providing guidance on internet use and passwords.

Most burglaries are opportunist and unplanned. Mick's advice was to move jewellery out of the bedroom and tell the family where it is. A burglar will generally go immediately to the bedroom and it can take as little as 3 minutes for them to find the valuables and get out of the building.

Mick also advised on marking property with an ultra violet pen as any articles that end up with the police are automatically checked for this.

6. Parish Issues Report, including Fly Tipping Reports

The weekly Local Crime Report from the police is extremely useful and the feedback was positive. If anyone wants to receive this report, then you can register here - <https://member-admin.neighbourhoodalert.co.uk/135/admin-area>

Susie Brew reported that there were no Parish Issues reported and two further fly tipping incidents this quarter.

7. Community Area Plan

Dawn Wilson thanked everyone for their contributions to the update of the PCAP Plan. The changes have been incorporated and Susie will put the document on Dropbox so that everyone can access it. There is not much more to do to the plan, but it would benefit from the PCAP committee members doing a full review. Susie will send out the details.

a. Economy - Patrick Wilson

Susie provided an update on the Pewsey Business Group Project. This is being led by PCAP, with the Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership and Pewsey Parish Council. A Terms of Reference is in progress and will be circulated to all 3 organisations for review. The plan is currently to do a footfall count in May.

The North Wessex Downs AONB is running an inaugural Walking Festival from 8th June to the 23rd June. They would welcome anyone who would like to run a walk during this period to contact them so that they can include it in the programme of events. Email Ann Shepley at AnnShepley@northwessexdowns.org.uk.

b. Transport - Colin Gale

Trains

PCAP is unable to attend the TransWilts meeting.

Pewsey Parish Council has been successful in obtaining a grant to help fund lighting at Pewsey station.

The two tickets from GWR are still available for a raffle.

Buses

No update.

Highways

Colin Gale updated that there is a briefing note from Wiltshire Council on freight management. Due to cutbacks, it looks like it will be a 'free-for-all'. Parishes are encouraged to review the document here:

<https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/documents/s160566/BriefingNote19010FreightManagementUpdateApril2019.pdf>

c. Planning - Peter Deck

Peter highlighted a briefing note from the government includes changes to permitted development rights, expanding the classes for shops and removal of the requirement for planning permission to change A5 use to residential - Peter said it was not clear whether this would apply to conservation areas. Extensions to properties that go upwards will not need planning permission. There is also reference to the development of phone boxes.

d. Environment - Carolyn Whistler

The GB Spring Clean was well supported across the Pewsey Community Area and a lot of rubbish was collected. Peter Deck said that it would be good to do this more often than once a year.

Cutting of grass verges - the company contracted by Wiltshire Council will only do one cut per year so additional cuts are the responsibility of the Parish Council or landowner.

e. Culture, Heritage & Leisure - Position Vacant

Susie informed the meeting that the 2019 open season for heritage locations will all be underway by Easter with Wilton Windmill opening on Easter Saturday.

There are lots of events across the Vale which are on the www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk website.

f. Vice-Chair Management Group - Position Vacant

Dawn Wilson said that after 7 years, the Management Group wishes to bring the Coordinator role up to the same rate as the national rate for Parish Clerks, together with an increase to the advised rate for mileage. Dawn Wilson thanked Susie Brew for her work. This Group can be removed from next meeting as a regular agenda item.

g. Pewsey Vale Health & Wellbeing Group - Dawn Wilson

Dawn Wilson said that The Messenger published the H&WB article, but about 2 months after it was sent. It also missed out the contact details which has made things a bit difficult, but there is interest.

Colin Gale confirmed that the Rushall Café is going well and had a start up grant from the Health & Wellbeing Fund.

Dawn Wilson confirmed that for any start up group there is the opportunity to use the PCAP insurance and banking facilities whilst the initiative is tested out.

Projects in the pipeline are the Memory Café boat trip on the canal and movement classes.

h. Children & Young People - Dawn Wilson

Dawn Wilson confirmed that Nicola Gilbert has updated the PCAP Plan.

The cheerleading group in Pewsey had to close as a new instructor could not be found.

The Volunteer Rewards replaced Spice Time Credits when Wiltshire Council removed support. The Volunteer Rewards scheme is now being run down and is used for the Youth Groups. There have been 26 volunteers on the rewards scheme currently and in total there have been 85 participants. Spending opportunities (on trips and events) amount to 13 this summer.

The BMX course in Pewsey has now been closed. It was only ever a temporary measure until the wheeled sports area at The Vale became available. The survey this year showed that there would need to be major renovation if the site were to remain open and so, given that the wheeled sports area is now in planning, the cost could not be justified. The site is now returned to its original state with the exception of the fence which is being retained.

i. Treasurer - Dawn Wilson

Dawn Wilson confirmed that Community First have released funding from the bus work that PCAP did that wasn't used, so this will go into the general fund.

John Brewin requested a reminder to Parish Councils in June/July regarding a donation for PCAP.

Ringfenced funding includes Pewsey Vale Railway User Group, Memory Café, Raizer Chair, 360 Skate Day and Volunteer Rewards.

8. Area Board & Council News - Paul Oatway

Jane Scott will stand down in May. There has been some reorganisation of the management structure at County Hall.

Jonathan Seed has been selected as Police & Crime Commissioner candidate for the Conservatives for the election in 2020.

Council elections will be in 2021.

9. Items for Next Agenda

None.

10. Any Other Business

None.

The meeting ended at 8.50pm.

Future Meeting Dates

Thank you to all the Parish Councils who have offered their halls for our meetings

Thursday 18th July 2019 - Easton Royal Village Hall

Thursday 17th October 2019 - Shalbourne Village Hall

Future dates and venues are also available on the website - www.pewseycap.org.uk/events

Contact: Susie Brew - PCAP Coordinator pcap@hotmail.co.uk

Signed _____ Date _____
Dawn Wilson, Chair PCAP