

## PEASLAKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Meeting held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025 in Peaslake Memorial Hall at 8.00pm**  
**The meeting was chaired by Zoe Fowle and attended by 23 Peaslakers**

### **Welcome & Introduction**

**Present:** Nick & Pennie Wells, Jim & Anne Heyes, Julie Barham, Nick & Sally Bray, Marion & Jeff Jones, Ted Horton, Adrienne Golightly, Gerry Reffo, Amanda Cobbett, Julie Knight, Lesley Perry, Martyn Warrell, Jane Walters, Cyndie Gould, Elena Marchidann, Alan Hilton, Jack Roadsley & Janette Weller.

**Apologies:** Tania Florent, Andrew Clayton, Zoe Horton, Deb Stevens Kate Denny & Nicola Anstey

### **Actions from June Minutes:**

**Speed Limit Signs & Alterations** - Gerry has spoken to Bob Hughes about the disappearance of the speed limit signs from the common, he couldn't shed any light. She also reminded him about the proposal to change the speed limit past Eastview Cottages to 20mph (down from 30mph) and the rest of Pursers Lane to 30mph (currently 40).

**Footpath past Pond in Walking Bottom** – Zoe has this in hand.

**Old School Room Bell** – We believe Richard Sherlock has this in hand. Please carry this forward to the September meeting.

Anything else is covered by discussions at this meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Jane Williams was unable to attend the meeting but she sent a report via Zoe. The Community Council bank balance currently stands at £13.37, with bank charges of £4.25 due to be debited next week. There are no outgoings due, apart from the monthly bank charges, until after the Fair when takings will be paid into the account. It was agreed that no action is needed.

### **Peaslake School (inc Open Gardens and Parking Issue)**

Andy Clayton was unable to attend the meeting but sent the following report:

Thank you to all the owners who very generously opened their gardens and everyone who supported Open Gardens on the day and behind the scenes.

School is still asking for any volunteers who would be willing to help with a trial of the walking bus between Avril's and School via the steps. Again, thanks to those who have offered, but we have no more than 4 or 5 at the moment, so we're still a long way short. (We would need at least 2 for each round trip, both before and after School.) This would be for September now.

He also advised that Ofsted will be visiting the School on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July to carry out an inspection.

### **Peaslake Fair**

Organisation is in hand. Drew Nicholson is running the Classic Car Show and is seeking further entries. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please contact him. Amanda Cobbett would like to borrow a PA system for the Dog Show. Again, if you know anyone who might be able to help, please contact her. (Ted might be able to help with this).

Our insurers have confirmed the cover is suitable for the Fair in general. Janette is corresponding with them to ensure cover is in place for the Dog Show as further conditions have to be met.

Ted is hopeful the Hall building work will be completed by August as the car-park space currently being used by the builders is needed for the 'Peaslake Presents' stage.

### **Cemetery Fence Appeal**

The sum raised so far is £14,500 towards estimated costs of around £20,000. There is a fundraising Quiz Night in October and the committee is hoping to secure a donation from the Community Fund.

### **Community Garden**

No report.

### **Peaslake Community Fund**

Julie and Amanda reported that this committee hasn't met for a while but they are considering the cemetery fence request. This group is organising the Peaslake Presents stage at the Fair and bands have been booked, but some help with setting up the stage may be needed.

### **Friends of the Hurtwood**

Zoe has spoken to Tim Metson about the ruts in the area needed for the Fair car-park and is confident they will be repaired in time for the event.

### **Peaslake Players**

Ted Horton reported that auditions for the pantomime (Aladdin) will take place on Tuesdays 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> July. Do check their website for further details and to get involved!

### **Independent Parish Council Update**

The Community Governance Review consultation has closed. Submissions will be considered by GBC ahead of a Council meeting on 29th July. Draft recommendations will be published on 18<sup>th</sup> August.

### **Shere Parish Council**

**Tanyard Hall Refurbishment:** Gerry reported that she had suggested the Old School Room as an alternative venue for the drop in centre. Holmbury St Mary residents had suggested getting Fire Brigade advice on evacuation of wheelchair users from the first floor.

**Peaslake Fair Traffic Management Plan:** Rob Hedgecock has produced an excellent plan including a risk assessment on access from Peaslake Farm Fields through Peaslake Farmyard. SPC will seek advice from their insurers.

**Reducing soil erosion blocking drains on Ewhurst Road:** local resident, Lisa Rabinowitz, suggested reinforcing the bank on the east side with sleepers. SPC to consider a quote for supply and installation of sleepers at the July Council meeting.

**Shere Local Businesses:** there was a discussion about the detrimental effect the parking charges in Shere are having on the local businesses. Support was expressed for the suggestion to abolish parking charges during the working week and only charge at the weekends.

### **AOB**

#### **Bin in Pond Lane Car-park**

Pond Lane residents reported that foxes have been scavenging in this litter bin and there is often considerable mess to clean up in the mornings. Gerry will request a more secure bin from SPC. She will also request a separate dog-waste bin for the same area.

### **Quiz Night**

The July quiz will be held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July, not the date already reported.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting is on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 8pm.

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