PLAISTOW AND IFOLD PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17th June 2025 at 19:30, Kelsey Hall, Ifold.

AttendanceParish Councillors: Paul Jordan (Chair); Andrew Woolf; Sarah Denyer; Phil Colmer;
Nicholas Taylor; Doug Brown; Sophie Capsey.
CDC Charles Todhunter (left the meeting after item P/25/63)
and WSCC Janet Duncton (left the meeting after item P/25/63)
No members of the public.
Jane Bromley, Parish Council Clerk.

- P/25/59 Apologies for absence: Parish Councillors: Rick Robinson and Jane Price. CDC Gareth Evans
- P/25/60 Disclosure of Interests. None.

P/25/61 Minutes

RESOLVED as approved the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on <u>14th May</u> <u>2025</u> with the additional note under P25/40 that Cllr Taylor sent apologies albeit not received ahead of the meeting, and to authorise the Chair to sign via Secured Signing in accordance with S.O. 12(g).

P/25/62 **Public Forum**: The Chair of The Kesley Hall Trust spoke to thank the Parish Council for arranging the Play Area in their grounds and gifting it to the Kelsey Hall Trust. A formal opening would be arranged possibly for 13th July. A toddler group was starting at the hall in September, and they were to be invited as well as the Plaistow Preschool parents.

P/25/63 To receive reports from <u>County</u> and <u>District Councillors</u>

Councillor Duncton was asked to investigate whether there was any action at WSCC Highways regarding the report of a potential safety hazard for the gap in the barrier running between Coxes Pond and the road.

Councillor Todhunter advised there had been an extension to the Foxbridge Planning application deadline for documents to September. It was unlikely going forward that decisions on applications would extend beyond the 12-week limit as there was a drive from government for extensions not to be given. The Loxwood Budgens opening date was not yet known there were some further details to address before this could happen. Councillor Todhunter would enquire at CDC concerning Neighbourhood Plan costs for Examination and Referendum now central government funding was no longer available to District Councils for these expenses.

Councillor Todhunter would enquire of Enforcement as to why some closed board fencing over 1m adjacent to a Highway was allowed and other examples given notice to remove?

P/25/64 Planning Matters

1. Neighbourhood Plan.

RESOLVED as noted the next Working Group meeting is on 17th June 25 to follow this meeting. Winterton Hall.

P/25/65 Financial Matters

1) <u>Financial Reports to 18th May 2025 to 21st June 2025</u>

Includes income and expenditure from 18th May 2025 to 21st June 2025, the Order for Payment for June 2025 (to be circulated separately) and <u>bank reconciliations</u> to 31st May 2025.

Recommendation: - To receive, review and note the financial reports and appoint three signatories for the order for payments and authorising bank BACs.

RESOLVED as approved and Councillor Colmer, Taylor and Brown would sign the Order for payments and Councillor Woolf would authorise BACs payments.

2) <u>Clerk's Delegated Decisions</u> -Scheme of Delegation

Recommendation: To note and ratify the following decision(s) made by the Clerk pursuant to paras 3.1.2, 3.1.3, 3.1.5, 3.1.6 of the Scheme of Delegation: -

- Purchase of Seeds for a handout for the Biodiversity Working group Stand at the school fete. £43.99
- Purchase of Title Deeds and Plans for land surrounding Coxes Pond £28
- Payment of the budgeted and quoted works to the Cricket Pavilion £1735
- Payment of the fence contractor and Ifold Play Area construction £2770 an additional £114 to the quote received £2656 as existing rail and post needed replacing.

RESOLVED as noted and approved.

P/25/66 Policies

Recommendation: to consider the updated Pension Discretion Policy responses to questions posed as an update to the Policy currently in place.

- Existing Pension Discretions Policy
- <u>Proposed Pension Discretions Policy</u>.

This item to be carried forward to the July agenda and in the meantime the Clerk to enquire of the Pension administrators whether some question answers required a mandatory response.

P/25/67 Play Parks

See Clerks Report

1. Kelsey Hall Playpark:

Recommendation: - to receive an update on this project and to discuss the bin and bench preferences.

RESOLVED as noted that the safety inspection had occurred on 12th June and the Playground had been deemed safe and could be opened and also to progress the CDC small grant applications for a picnic bench a single bench and a bin with a liner to be fixed to a post.

2. Lady Hope Playpark:

Recommendation: - to note that maintenance has been requested and is being chased from Vita Play to refix the boarding of the large play area platform surface and the fence panels.

RESOLVED as noted the maintenance has now been completed.

P/25/68 Plaistow Football Ground:

See Clerks Report

To consider the correspondence received and discuss for an approval in principle to a grant application being made.

The matter was discussed and there was concern at the loss of this valuable community resource for the children's football teams. The Parish Council would be writing to the owners of the field in connection with the intention to list the field as a Local Green Space in the Neighbourhood Plan and the importance to the community would be stressed in this letter.

The Parish Council would consider a grant application from the Club and would endeavour to support them with a donation.

P.25/69 Clerk's update & items for inclusion on a future agenda

Recommendation: - To receive general updates and resolve to add any matters arising to a future agenda in relation to: -

 CIO: Title Transfer Winterton Hall. An update had been requested from the solicitor as all actions required had been completed as far as possible, awaiting a reply.

- 2. Tennis Court Weed Spraying. Quote £30 received and accepted to proceed.
- Coxes Pond Water Testing & Fence quote. <u>See Clerk's Report</u> The testing was now to be carried out on 20th June.
- Coxes Pond Roadside barrier. There had been no action concerning a potential safety hazard of the gap in the barrier and this had been referred to WSCC Janet Duncton.
- 5. Biodiversity Working Group stand at the school fete. A stand was planned by the Biodiversity Working Group for this event to include a map for the use of the children to stick stickers of areas where wildlife was to be found in the Parish. Handout seed packets. Leaflets and worksheets.
- Shillinglee- Councillor canvassing and TRO application. <u>See Clerk's Report</u>. WSCC had disallowed this application for both a 30mph and 40mph limit and the residents had been advised. There had been no takers with regard to a Shillinglee Councillor request.

P/25/70 Correspondence

Nothing further to consider at point of publication of the agenda.

P/25/71 Items for Church Newsletter.

The Church newsletter would include items on the playpark opening. The refused Shillinglee TRO application. Crickets Pavilion renovations. Forthcoming tree works at the Recreation Ground and pond. 18th October Litter pick event.

A Summer E Newsletter was to be produced primarily to advertise the informal NP consultation.

P/25/72 Date of next meetings

Recommendation: - To note the dates of forthcoming meetings:

- Finance 29th July 7.30pm Winterton Hall
- Planning 9th July 7.30pm Winterton Hall
- Full Council 15th July 7.30pm Winterton Hall

The meeting closed at 8.30pm