

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 10th JANUARY 2008 AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr Holroyd in the Chair

Cllrs M Atkinson, H Barraclough, R Barraclough, R Bottomley, R Burton A Cooper, A Cruden, P Cunnington, S Dunford, K Dunn, D Hardcastle, J Heward, G Hickey, J Hirst, E Hutchinson M MacDonald, B Moreton, J Myers, J Paxton, P Rock and M Sykes.

Two members of the public addressed the Council on the subjects of the co-option and the proposed community centre in Grange Moor.

Cllr Atkinson apologised for having to miss part of the meeting, due to her attendance at another meeting.

**239 Apologies and
Declarations of
Interest**

The following personal interests were declared: Cllr Cunnington in Planning Appl 95014 at Lepton Junior, Infant & Nursery School, Station Road, as he is a School Governor; Cllr Moreton in Planning Appl 95045 as the applicant is known to him; Cllr Myers in the proposed community centre in Grange Moor as he is on the Committee and Cllr Sykes in Planning Appl 94925 as the applicant is known to him.

Members considered the applications received from Michelle Atkinson and Mike Greetham to fill the vacancy in the Kirkburton ward of the Council.

**240 Co-option into the
Kirkburton
Vacancy**

Resolved: To elect Michelle Atkinson into the vacancy.

There was a brief adjournment whilst Cllr Atkinson signed the Declaration of Acceptance and the Dignity at Work Policy with the Clerk, before taking her seat in the Council Chamber.

241 Declarations

It was agreed to bring the following two items to the beginning of the meeting.

242 Order of Business

Standing Orders were raised in order to receive a presentation from Cllr Trevor Bagshaw and Graham Silverwood on the work of the Rural Development Programme for England and specifically the East Peak Innovation Partnership. A brief outline was given on how the organisation had been formed and progress to date. It was noted that the area included both Kirkburton and Denby Dale.

**243 Rural Development
Programme for
England**

Cllr Bagshaw and Mr Silverwood were thanked for attending and left the meeting. Standing Orders were then reinstated.

Resolved: To elect Cllr R Barraclough as the Council's representative of the East Peak Innovation Partnership.

Cllr Atkinson left the meeting.

Resolved: To consider the following item in the public session.

244 Public Session

Members noted the Interim Feasibility Study commissioned from John Popham Consulting. Discussion took place on the findings and whether the Council was minded to award the second grant of £5,875.

**245 Proposed
Community Centre
in Grange Moor**

Resolved: To defer a decision on the matter to the next Council meeting and to invite Mr Popham and a representative from UCS to attend the meeting.

The Chairman reported she had attended the Annual General Meeting of the Denby Dale Centre, which had been held at the Salvation Army Hall in Kirkburton.

**246 Chairman's
Appointments**

Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 6th December 2007 as a true record.

247 Council Minutes

Cllr Atkinson returned to the meeting.

- The Clerk reported that the date of the training event had had to be changed and a new date would be notified as soon as possible. **248 Microgeneration WP (Min 235)**
- The Clerk reported that Cllr R Barraclough had kindly taken delivery of the noticeboards and that she had been notified of 2 of the 5 locations for the noticeboards. Members were urged to notify the remaining sites as soon as possible, so that they could be installed. **249 Noticeboards (Min 237)**
- Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Management & Finance Committee on 29th November 2007, with the exception of the first resolution of Min MF20, which was returned to the Committee for reconsideration. **250 Management & Finance Committee**
- Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Grants & Community Projects Committee meeting of 6th December 2007. **251 Grants & CP Committee**
- 2007/94773 *Erection of local convenience store with associated parking on land adj to 40 North Road, Kirkburton* The Council still had objections to the proposed development on Highways grounds. However, if permission is granted, adequate car parking of a good standard must be provided for the village, and the infrastructure must be put in place. **252 Plans**
- 2007/94933 *Extension over enlarged garage to form additional accommodation at 'Stoneroyd', Liley Lane, Upper Hopton, Mirfield.* The Council objected on the grounds of detrimental impact on the visual amenity and inappropriate development in the Green Belt.
- 2007/94941 *Erection of Dwelling at Unit 1, Low Farm, Wakefield Road, Flockton (Lepton & Whitley Upper ward).* The Council objected on the grounds that it encroached into the Green Belt.
- 2007/93678 *Demolition and replacement of existing farmhouse and demolition of existing agricultural building and conversion of barn to ancillary accommodation at Cockley Hill Farm, 112 Cockley Hill Lane, Kirkheaton (amended plans).* The Council strongly objected on the grounds that it is inappropriate development in the Green Belt, for which there are no very special circumstances. It is contrary to PPG2 Green Belts and it would be out of keeping with the area and contrary to Policies BE1 and BE2 of the Unitary Development Plan. The comment was submitted under delegated authority.
- 2007/94975 *Outline application for erection of detached dwelling at 34 Jenkyn Lane, Shepley.* The Parish Council objected on the grounds of highways, impact on residential amenity and would stress that should development on this site be approved, it must be in keeping with the character and appearance of the area (PPS3 applies).
- There was no comment made on the following applications:
 94098 Fenay Bridge (agreed under delegated authority); 94430 Lepton; 94574 Grange Moor; 94634 Grange Moor; 94642 Fenay Bridge (submitted under delegated authority); 94749 Shepley; 94756 Shepley; 94827 Thurstonland; 94884 Flockton; 94890 Lepton; 94925 Shepley; 95014 Lepton; 95024 Kirkburton; 95025 Kirkburton; 95039 Shelley; 95045 Little Lepton; 95119 Kirkheaton; 95124 Shelley; 95132 Kirkburton; 95146 Fenay Bridge; 95148 Highburton; 95210 Kirkburton and 95278 Shepley.
- Comment on the following applications was deferred pending receipt of the plans:
 95288 Lepton; 95291 Lepton; 95305 Lepton; 95360 Lepton; 95368 Lepton;
 95370 Grange Moor and 95388 Highburton.
- There were no planning appeals before the Council **253 Planning Appeals**
- Members noted the response received in respect of the application to vary Condition of Planning Permission 07/70/94806/W2, with which the applicant had not complied despite this being required before development could commence. **254 Matrix Direct Recycle in Kirkheaton**
- Resolved:** To respond to Planning Services requesting a legal opinion is sought and include all relevant information regarding the non-compliance of the conditions of the existing permission.
- Resolved:** To settle the accounts as presented (£4,164.56, including £20 approved under LGA 1972 s137). **255 Accounts**

The Clerk reported that it was the final invoice from Adam Goodyear, as he had ceased charging from the date the Council agreed to cover the costs of installing the stained glass windows into Kirkburton Parish Church. She was asked to send a thank-you letter to him.

It was reported that there had been no Area Committee meetings since the last Council meeting.

256 Area Committees

Members noted the resignation of Cllr Dunn from the Environment meetings, and the options now available with regard to the meeting format.

257 Environment Meetings

Resolved: To create an Environment Committee with all members unless they notified the Clerk they did not wish to serve on the committee.

Resolved: To elect Cllrs Atkinson, R Barraclough, Bottomley, Burton, Cooper, Cruden, Cunnington, Dunford, Hardcastle, Heward, Hickey, Hirst, Holroyd, Hutchinson, MacDonald, Moreton, Murphy, Myers, Paxton, Rock, Sykes and Taylor.

Cllr Myers left the meeting.

Resolved: To refer proposal of identifying aims and objectives for the Council and creating an action plan to the Management & Finance Committee to consider and bring a recommendation to the Council.

258 Aims & Objectives

Resolved: To elect Cllr Atkinson to the Kirkburton Area Committee.

259 Vacancy on Kirkburton AC

Resolved: To elect Cllr Holroyd to the Denby Dale Centre Management Committee.

260 Denby Dale Centre

Members noted the written report of the SLCC Annual Conference. The Clerk made verbal reports on the NALC Regional Training Event and the recent SLCC Branch Meeting. She also reported that there would be a Branch Training Day on 7th March at Cave Castle in South Cave. Full details would be notified as soon as possible. Cllr MacDonald also made a verbal report on the NALC Regional Training Event.

261 Conference/ Training Events

Resolved: To award a grant of £200 to St Lucius' Church in Farnley Tyas towards the maintenance of the church clock.

262 St Lucius' Church, Farnley Tyas

The Chairman informed members that the Kirkheaton bye-election would be taking place on the same date as the scheduled February Parish Council meeting and members considered whether to change the date of the meeting.

263 February Parish Council Meeting

Resolved: To hold the meeting on 7th February as scheduled.

Members noted the Clerk's Report as distributed at the meeting.

264 Clerk's Report

Cllr Cooper reported that the Parish Council was eligible to be nominated for an award for its resolution on microgeneration. The Clerk was asked to submit the application under delegated authority, in co-operation with Cllr Cooper.

265 Microgeneration Competition

The Chairman reported that the people from Kirkheaton Parish Church were having the next clean-up of the Churchyard on 19th January. She informed members she would be helping and asked for support in this venture.

266 Clearance at Kirkheaton Churchyard

The Clerk reported that the agenda for the next Planning/GP meeting would be sent out on Thursday next week, so requested early notification of agenda items.

267 Planning/GP Agenda

- How villages can access funding for parish plans
- Proposal to approve the removal of the telephone box at Highburton Cross in order to facilitate its refurbishment

268 Items for Next Agenda

The meeting then closed.