

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 5th JUNE 2008 AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr Hickey in the Chair

Cllrs M Atkinson, H Barraclough, R Barraclough, R Bottomley, R Burton, A Cooper, P Cunnington, S Dunford, K Dunn, J Heward, J Hirst, L Holroyd, E Hutchinson, M MacDonald, B Moreton, A Munro, J Paxton, P Rock, M Sykes and J Taylor.

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| <p>Apologies were received from Cllr A Cruden and D Hardcastle, the reasons for which were accepted.</p> | <p>20</p> | <p>Apologies and
Declarations of
Interest</p> |
| <p>The following personal interests were declared: Cllr Bottomley and Cllr Sykes in Planning Application No 91780 as the applicant is known to them; Cllr Hutchinson in Planning Application No 91650 as the applicant is a near neighbour and Cllr MacDonald in Shelley Village Hall and Shelley Community Association, as he is the Vice Chairman of the Association.</p> | | |
| <p>The Chairman reported that he had attended the inauguration of the new Kirklees Mayor and the evening reception. He also indicated he was to attend the Civic Sunday at Holme Valley Parish Council at the weekend.</p> | <p>21</p> | <p>Chairman's
Appointments</p> |
| <p>Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Grants & Community Projects meeting on 3rd April as a true record. It was noted that the recommendation at Min C31 had been adopted at the Council meeting of the same date.</p> | <p>22</p> | <p>Grants &
Community
Projects Minutes</p> |
| <p>Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 3rd April 2008 as a true record.</p> | <p>23</p> | <p>Council Minutes</p> |
| <p>It was reported that a new bus route had been introduced between Barnsley, Denby Dale and Skelmanthorpe, but it did not pass through Kirkburton.</p> | <p>24</p> | <p>Bus Service
(Min 325)</p> |
| <p>Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting on 15th May 2008 as a true record, subject to the inclusion of Cllr Hirst in the list of cheque signatories.</p> | <p>25</p> | <p>Annual Parish
Council Minutes</p> |
| <p>2008/91859 <i>Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 5 no dwellings with garages (modified proposal) at 88 Station Road, Lepton.</i> The Council strongly objected to this proposed development on the grounds of traffic – it is very near to the school, where there are already serious road safety and parking problems. The Council also has concerns with regard to access and the over-development of this area.</p> | <p>26</p> | <p>Plans</p> |
| <p>There was no comment made on the following applications:
19837 Shelley; 91500 Flockton; 91619 Shelley; 91650 Kirkheaton; 91718 Shepley;
91720 Shepley; 91733 Kirkburton; 91751 Kirkburton; 91753 Shepley; 91756 Shepley;
91780 Shepley; 91788 Shepley; 91828 Shepley and 91843 Kirkburton.</p> | | |
| <p>Comment on the following applications was deferred pending receipt of the plans:
91456 Fenay Bridge; 91691 Lepton; 91736 Lascelles Hall; 91781 Fenay Bridge;
91861 Shelley; 91863 Lascelles Hall; 91892 Stocksmoor and 91911 Lepton.</p> | | |
| <p>Resolved: To defer comment on the planning appeal in Lepton (Lepton & Whitley Upper ward).</p> | <p>27</p> | <p>Planning Appeal</p> |
| <p>Resolved: To settle the accounts as presented (£6,535.86)</p> | <p>28</p> | <p>Accounts</p> |
| <p>Resolved: To nominate Cllr Hickey to attend the health & safety seminar on 24th July, subject to his availability.</p> | <p>29</p> | <p>Health & Safety
Seminar</p> |

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- It was reported that the current location of the noticeboard in Thurstonland was now inappropriate, as since it had been installed, the post office had closed and the area was no longer well used. Requests have been received that it is resited to a suitable position on The Green and that a larger one is provided. It was noted that the noticeboard had been provided by Kirkburton Area Committee.
- 30 Thurstonland Noticeboard**
- Resolved:** To find out the Area Committee's position on this matter.
- Members noted the training courses available over the next few months. Cllrs Atkinson, R Barraclough, Hickey and Hirst expressed interest in the training opportunities.
- 31 Training Courses**
- Resolved:** To nominate Cllr Holroyd and Cllr MacDonald to attend the Annual Joint Training Conference in Scarborough from 26th to 28th September.
- 32 Annual Training Conference**
- Resolved:** To nominate Cllr Holroyd and Cllr MacDonald to attend the YLCA Annual Meeting on 19 July at 2pm at Poppleton Community Centre, near York.
- 33 YLCA Annual Meeting**
- The Clerk reported on the Parish Review to be undertaken in the autumn by Kirklees Council, and that the Parish Councils needed to put forward a Councillor and a Clerk as representatives on the Kirklees committee. Members noted the Guidance on Community Governance Reviews, as distributed at the meeting.
- 34 Parish Review**
- Resolved:** To support Dr Hazel Chowcat (Clerk at Denby Dale PC) and Cllr Charles Kaye (Holme Valley PC) as the Parish Councils' representatives.
- Members thanked Cllr Holroyd and the Clerk for producing the latest Annual Report.
- 35 Annual Report 2007-08**
- Resolved:** To approve the copy of the Annual Report 2007-08.
- It was reported that the Council had been shortlisted in the National Renewable Energy Awards. Cllr Cooper reported that as he worked in the renewable energy industry he was already attending the event.
- 36 National Renewable Energy Awards**
- Resolved:** To authorise Cllr Cooper to represent the Parish Council, and to collect the prize should the Parish Council be successful.
- Cllr Cooper and the Clerk also updated members on the Council's Big Green Challenge application. Members asked for this matter to be included on the next Council (Planning/GP) agenda.
- Members noted the Clerk's Report as distributed at the meeting.
- 37 Clerk's Report**
- Members were informed of the Burton Open Gardens event.
- 38 Burton Open Gardens**
- Big Green Challenge
- 39 Item for Future Agenda**

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Pursuant to Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it was resolved that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the discussion on the following items of business would be conducted in private:-

The Chairman informed members of the Management & Finance Committee's recommendations in respect of the contracts involving the demolition of the porch and erection of a ramp at the rear, and alterations to the ramp at the front of the building.

**40 Shelley Village Hall:
Building Contracts
on Rear Porch and
Both Entrances**

Resolved: To appoint M S & B Walker to carry out the work subject to receipt of satisfactory references.

The Clerk advised members on the budget situation, and informed them of Shelley Community Association's preference that the work to the rear of the building is carried out first if the work was to be carried out in two phases. The Chairman confirmed that the building will be closed during the works.

Resolved: That if there are insufficient funds available, the work at the rear entrance is carried out first.

Members noted revised quotations for the repair of the wall at Kirkheaton Churchyard. The Clerk reported to the Council on a site meeting held by the Kirkheaton Committee.

**41 Kirkheaton
Churchyard Wall**

Resolved: That the Kirkheaton Committee explores the opportunity for a joint venture between the Parish Council and the Parochial Church Council with regard to the works on the wall and that it puts forward a recommendation to Council.

Members noted the correspondence received from Shelley Community Association covering a number of items.

**42 Shelley Community
Association**

Resolved: That the Chairman meets with the Community Association to try and resolve the issues raised.

The meeting then closed.