

## KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2008 AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr Hickey in the Chair

Cllrs M Atkinson, R Barraclough, R Bottomley, R Burton, A Cooper, P Cunnington, S Dunford, D Hardcastle, J Hirst, J Heward, E Hutchinson, B Moreton, A Munro, M Sykes and J Taylor

Apologies were received from Cllr H Barraclough, L Holroyd, M MacDonad, J Myers and J Paxton, the reasons for which were accepted by the Council. Cllrs Hardcastle and Rock apologised for their late arrivals.

**94 Apologies and  
Declarations of  
Interest**

The following personal interests were declared: Cllr R Barraclough in Shepley Allotments as he knows one of the contractors; Cllrs Dunford, Hirst and Moreton declared an interest in Planning Appl 08/92655 as they are acquainted with the applicant and Cllr Sykes in Planning Appl 08/92948 as he is acquainted with the applicant.

The Chairman reported that he had attended the welcome for the new Superintendent Minister for the Huddersfield East Methodist Circuit, Rev David Bidnell at Almondbury Methodist Church.

**95 Chairman's  
Appointments**

**Resolved:** To accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2008 as a true record, subject to the amendment of the comment on Planning Application 08/92499 where it should read Rowley Lane School (Min 70).

**96 Council Minutes**

Cllr Hardcastle entered the meeting.

2008/92737 *Erection of 1 double sided illuminated free-standing advertisement display unit at Lane Head Service Station, Lane Head Road, Shepley.* The Council objected to this application on the grounds of highways, as it would detrimentally affect motorists' sightlines, as well as providing a distraction at a junction which has a history of serious road traffic accidents. The sign is also unnecessary from the point of view of attracting trade, as the service is already highly visible from most angles.

**97 Plans**

2008/92881 *Erection of detached bungalow with garage (within a conservation area) adjacent to 41 Station Road, Shepley.* The Council agreed with the Officer's comments "Subject to principle of development, visual/residential amenity, highway safety and conservation issues." However, it also had concerns with regard to the access, as the road is very narrow.

2008/92996 *Outline application for erection of one dwelling with integral garage at 12 Near Bank, Shelley.* The Clerk was delegated to submit the comment when Cllr Taylor had visited the site and consulted with the ward members.

2008/93005 *Outline application for erection of 1 dwelling at the Young Farmers Club, Barnsley Road, Flockton.* The Clerk was delegated to submit the comment when Cllr Taylor had visited the site and consulted with the ward members.

2008/93018 *Erection of illuminated advertisement sign panel to existing bus shelter. Ref 20681 – adjacent to the Blacksmiths Arms, Wakefield Road, Grange Moor.* The Parish Council objected to this application on the grounds of aesthetics and inappropriate development in the Green Belt.

There was no comment made on the following applications:

92348 Grange Moor; 92593 Kirkburton; 92655 Highburton; 92745 Lepton; 92760 Kirkburton; 92828 Lepton; 92829 Fenay Bridge; 92833 Highburton; 92875 Kirkburton; 92878 Kirkburton; 92885 Farnley Tyas; 92889 Highburton; 92897 Shepley; 92919 Kirkburton; 92937 Kirkburton; 92948 Shepley; 92965 Shelley; 92971 Kirkburton; 92973 Kirkburton; 92980 Shepley; 92981 Lepton; 92982 Shelley; 92989 Highburton; 92992 Flockton and 93037 Highburton.

- Comment on the following application was deferred pending receipt of the plan:  
92946 Kirkheaton; **97 Plans (Cont'd)**
- There were no planning appeals before the Council **98 Planning Appeal**
- Resolved:** To settle the accounts as presented (£5,508.34, including £178 under Local Government Act 1972 s137). **99 Accounts**
- There were no reports from the Area Committees. **100 Area Committees**
- Resolved:** To defer this item to the next meeting. **101 Councillor Training**
- Members noted the Clerk's Report as distributed at the meeting. The Clerk asked members to collect grant forms and newsletters from the table before leaving. **102 Clerk's Report**
- There were no requests. **103 Item for a Future Agenda**
- 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 Clerk reported that the Terms of Reference had been agreed by the Kirklees Cabinet and gave a brief update on the current situation. Members were informed that the decision had been taken to review only the areas where the Parish Councils currently exist. **104 Corporate Governance Review**
- Resolved:** To set up a cross-party committee to deal with the matter.
- The Chairman and Clerk gave verbal reports on progress at the village hall, which was now open for public use. **105 Shelley Village Hall – Porch & Ramp**
- The Clerk reported on the mistake in the quote for the autumn crocus bulbs. The Council recognised the Garden Centre's error and expressed the wish to make a one-off goodwill gesture by covering half of the costs for the bulbs. **106 Autumn Crocus**
- Resolved:** To approve the invoice and to make a one-off goodwill gesture by paying half of the actual costs (£1,500).
- Resolved:** To distribute the bulbs between all 8 wards instead of just Lepton and Shepley, as previously agreed.
- Cllr Burton and Cllr Taylor agreed to distribute the bulbs to the other members.
- Members noted the quotes for the two contracts, which were to clear the drive and path of vegetation and to replace a section of the water pipe of the tap. **107 Shepley Allotments**
- Resolved:** To appoint Simon Holmes to carry out both contracts on the terms and conditions notified, subject to being covered by public liability insurance.
- Cllr Rock entered the meeting.
- It was reported that Kirklees Cabinet had approved the scheme for all residents of the district, and the requests over and above the Parish Council's budget will be passed to Kirklees as duly made. The butts within the Parish Council's budget will be organised by the Clerk. Members noted the quotes for the supply and fitting of the water butts. **108 Water Butts**
- Resolved:** That the Clerk be delegated to obtain the services at the best prices available and organise distribution.
- The Chairman informed members that there was a provisional date of 12<sup>th</sup> October for his Civic Service, which would be taking place in the evening in Kirkburton. **109 Civic Service**
- The meeting then closed.