

## KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 6<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2008 AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr G Hickey in the Chair

Cllrs M Atkinson, H Barraclough, R Barraclough, R Bottomley, R Burton, P Cunnington, A Cooper, S Dunford, D Hardcastle, J Heward, L Holroyd, E Hutchinson, M MacDonald, A Munro, J Paxton, P Rock and M Sykes.

Apologies were received from Cllr A Cruden, J Hirst, B Moreton and J Taylor, the reasons (where given) were accepted by the Council. **137 Apologies and Declarations of Interest**

The following personal interests were declared: Cllr Cooper in the proposed feasibility study at Stocksmoor Village Hall, as he is acquainted with the contractor; Cllr Hardcastle in Planning Cllr Heward in Planning Application 93199 as he knows the applicant; Cllrs Hardcastle and Heward declared personal interests in the planning application at the Smith's Arms, as they know the applicant.

Cllr Cunnington declared he no longer had an interest in Planning Appl No 93502, as the property used to belong to his Mother, but it had now been sold.

The Chairman reported that he had attended the Freedom Parade by the Yorkshire Regiment. **138 Chairman's Appointments**

**Resolved:** To accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2008 as a true record. **139 Council Minutes**

Cllr Cooper distributed written information, which confirmed the Council's powers with regard to encouraging microgeneration in houses. **140 Microgeneration WP Meeting (Min 121)**

Cllr Hutchinson gave a verbal update on the bus situation in Kirkheaton following the bus route changes. He asked if the Clerk could request the Council be kept informed of the usage of the additional hourly service 261 in January, so that notice would be received of any further changes due to low usage. **141 Bus Route Change (Min 113)**

The Clerk reported that the Police had indicated it was not possible to accompany the officers to housing belonging to old people, but had suggested appointments are made with those interested instead. **142 Warm Zone (Min 126)**

**Resolved:** To agree and adopt the minutes of the Risk Assessment Committee meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> October 2008 and the Inspection Reports of 16<sup>th</sup> September 2008. **143 Risk Assessment Minutes**

2008/93343 *Erection of single and two storey extensions at 6 Beckside, Flockton.* The Council objected to this proposed development on the grounds that it was too large, and also because it would cause drainage problems for the area. **144 Plans**

2008/93731 *Erection of 3 apartments on Plot 7, Whitley Willows, Addle Croft Lane, Lepton.* Although the plan for this development had not been received, the last time this application came to Council, it was agreed that any development on the site should be of low density due to the access onto the narrow country lanes. It was agreed to find out if there was in fact the same number of dwellings as the original plan, and if not, to object to the proposal on highways grounds.

The following application was approved: 92944 Highburton and 93784 Shelley.

There was no comment made on the following applications:  
93090 Kirkheaton; 93199 Highburton; 93492 Highburton; 93529 Highburton;  
93533 Lepton; 93545 Highburton; 93560 Shepley; 93603 Kirkburton; 93617 Kirkheaton;  
93632 Shepley; 93637 Shepley; 93743 Fenay Bridge; 93749 Shepley; 93786 Highburton  
and 93818 Kirkburton.

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Comment on the following applications was deferred pending receipt of the plans:  93502 Lepton; 93556 Shelley; 93679 Highburton; 93710 Fenay Bridge; 93715 Waterloo; 93727 Kirkburton; 93742 Lepton; 93777 Colne Bridge; 93778 Thurstonland and 93808 Fenay Bridge.	<b>144 Plans (Cont'd)</b>
There were no appeals before the Council.	<b>145 Planning Appeals</b>
<b>Resolved:</b> To settle the accounts as presented £16,351.29 including £8,444.80 agreed under Local Government Act 1972 s137.	<b>146 Accounts</b>
Thanks were expressed to Cllr Holroyd for her work in securing the future of the stained glass windows, which were now installed in All Hallows Church, Kirkburton. Cllr Hickey reported that he had produced some postcards of the window for sale by the church. The Clerk reported that the work had been more extensive than originally envisaged and that there may be a request for some additional funding in the future to cover the work and additional expenditure.	
Verbal reports were received from Kirkburton and Huddersfield South Area Committees.	<b>147 Area Committees</b>
Cllr Hutchinson reported that a Highways Engineer was undertaking a survey of the situation in Moorside Road, Kirkheaton. The Clerk was asked to obtain a copy of the report for the Council when it was available.	<b>148 School Bus Service in Kirkheaton</b>
The Clerk informed members that a suggestion had been made that the repair costs be shared between Kirkburton Area Committee and the Parish Council. Cllr MacDonald reported that further work was required on this item before a decision could be taken on the issue. It was agreed to consider the matter again at the next meeting.	<b>149 Shelley Noticeboard</b>
Members noted the draft letter, which was proposed to be signed by all the Parish Councils.	<b>150 Corporate Governance Review</b>
<b>Resolved:</b> To sign the letter on condition that Denby Dale PC, Holme Valley PC and Meltham TC also signed the letter.	
Members received the written reports from Cllr Hirst and Cllr MacDonald. Additionally, Cllr MacDonald made a verbal report on the event. The Clerk informed members that the powerpoint presentations were available to download from the YLCA website.	<b>151 YH RTP Joint Training Conference</b>
Members considered the application for £352.50 towards the cost of carrying out a feasibility study into the installation of photovoltaic solar panels on Stocksmoor Village Hall.	<b>152 Stocksmoor Village Hall</b>
<b>Resolved:</b> To award Stocksmoor Village Hall £352.50 towards the cost of the feasibility study, on condition that the Council also receives a copy of the study.	
Members considered the licence for the erection of 4 noticeboards on Kirklees land at the junction of Ings Way/Highgate Lane, Lepton; at Towngate/Moor Lane, Highburton; land at the junction of Highfield Lane/Lascelles Hall Road, Kirkheaton, as well as an additional piece of land in Kirkheaton to be identified when the site of the new health centre has been decided upon, at a cost of £270 and with an annual renewal fee of £5.	<b>153 Licence for Noticeboards</b>
<b>Resolved:</b> To agree to the terms and conditions set down in the licence application dated 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2008 for the above four noticeboards.	
Members noted the Clerk's Report as distributed at the meeting.	<b>154 Clerk's Report</b>
The Clerk reported serious problems with the Council's laptop computer. It was agreed that a replacement should be purchased as soon as possible using the Clerk's delegated authority.	<b>155 Laptop Computer</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report on the Zurich Municipal Annual Meeting</li> <li>• Information on the role of members</li> <li>• Highburton Cross</li> <li>• To consider the future of Shelley Village Hall</li> </ul>	<b>156 Items for a Future Agenda</b>

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Cllr Holroyd informed members that the next issue of One Voice was due to be published soon, and asked that any items for inclusion be sent to the Clerk as soon as possible. **157 One Voice**

**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 item of business would be conducted in private:-**

The Clerk reported that she had received written confirmation from Building Control that the work at the rear of the Hall complied with the permission received. However, a certificate would not be issued until the work at front of the building was also complete as the two phases had been applied for in one application. She also confirmed that payment had been made to the contractor. **158 Shelley Village Hall**

Members noted the requested amendments/additions to the contract at the rear of Shelley Village Hall.

**Resolved:** To carry out the following items of work as soon as the budget permits: a) To replace of the top panel of the rear door with a window; b) To install a lockable gate and steps on the first landing of the ramp to enable easier access to the rear of the building; and c) To install a bulk head light over the rear entrance.

Members noted the letter of 22<sup>nd</sup> October from the Chairman Shelley Community Association and considered the identified problem with the 'well' in the ramp.

**Resolved:** To refer the matter to the Management & Finance Committee to look into and to bring options back to the Council.

Members noted the compensation claim received from the Community Association. The Clerk gave some additional information. A proposal was made and seconded to send the issue to the Management & Finance Committee for consideration and to make a recommendation to Council, with the following result:

For: Cllrs Atkinson, H Barraclough, R Barraclough, Bottomley, Burton, Cooper, Cunnington, Dunford, Hardcastle, Heward, Hickey, Holroyd, Hutchinson, MacDonald and Sykes

Against: Cllr Paxton

Abstentions: Cllrs Munro and Rock.

**Resolved:** To refer the matter to the Management & Finance Committee for consideration and to make a recommendation to Council.

The meeting then closed.