

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL (PLANNING/GENERAL PURPOSES) MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, Highburton ON THURSDAY, 17th SEPTEMBER 2009 AT 9.00 pm

PRESENT: Cllr J Hirst in the Chair

Cllrs M Atkinson, A Cooper, P Cunnington, S Dunford, D Hardcastle, L Holroyd, E Hutchinson, M MacDonald, B Moreton, A Munro, J Paxton, P Rock and C Whittingham.

Apologies were received from Cllrs R Barraclough, R Burton, A Cruden, J Heward, G Hickey, M Sykes and J Taylor. The Council accepted the reasons for the absences.

**P11 Apologies and
Declarations of
Interest**

The following personal interests were declared: Cllrs Hutchinson, Munro and Rock in Planning Appl No 94298 as they know the applicant; Cllr Munro in Planning Appl No 92435 as she knows the applicant; Cllrs Hardcastle, MacDonald and Munro in Planning Appl No 92101 at 241 Huddersfield Road, as they are regular users of the outlet.

The following application was approved: 92101 Shelley.

P12 Plans

There was no comment made on the following applications:

92164 Farnley Tyas; 92171 Farnley Tyas; 92346 Flockton (Grange Moor ward); 92373 Kirkburton; 92435 Kirkheaton; 92465 Kirkburton (Thurstonland/FT ward); 92483 Flockton; 92499 Farnley Tyas and 92515 Fenay Bridge.

Comment on the following applications was deferred pending receipt of the plan:

92455 Shepley; 92498 Kirkheaton and 92524 Kirkburton.

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

P13 Planning Appeals

Members noted the consultation on Strengthening Local Democracy.

P14 Consultation

The Clerk reported the cost of the trees, inclusive of delivery, collection, insurance, maintenance whilst in situ, replacement bulbs etc. It was noted that the cost of any replacement sockets would be covered from the general reserve, if any were required.

P15 Christmas Trees

Resolved: To order 10 Christmas trees from Kirklees to be sited in: Farnley Tyas, Flockton, Grange Moor, Highburton, Kirkheaton, Lascelles Hall, Shelley, Shepley, Stocksmoor and Thurstonland at a cost of £550 each, one of which will be provided free of charge by Kirklees, and to cover the cost of replacement sockets from the general reserve.

Resolved: To delegate the Clerk to organise the Christmas tree order in future, on condition that it came within the agreed budget.

Members discussed the possibility of planting saplings to use as living Christmas trees in the future.

Resolved: To investigate the possibility of planting a sapling at the junction of Highfield Lane and Lascelles Hall Road in Lascelles Hall for use as a Christmas tree in the future, and to refer the investigation of further possible sites to the Environment Committee.

Members discussed if there was a need for a business plan and a parish plan.

**P16 Parish Business
Plan**

Resolved: To refer the matter to the Management & Finance Committee for consideration.

Resolved: To refer the consideration of whether the Council needs to review its remits and working practices to the Management & Finance Committee.

**P17 Remit of the
Council**

Members noted the event being hosted by Kirklees on Saturday 10th October at Huddersfield Town Hall.

**P18 Local Democracy
Week**

Resolved: To take a stand. Cllr Paxton and Cllr Whittingham (subject to availability) volunteered to attend.

The Clerk reported receipt of two complaints, which were currently being dealt with.

P19 Complaints

Members noted the Clerk's Report as distributed at the meeting and the grants posters provided for the noticeboards.

P20 Clerk's Report

The meeting then closed.