

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL (PLANNING/GENERAL PURPOSES) MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 18th FEBRUARY 2010 AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr R Barraclough in the Chair

Cllrs M Atkinson, H Barraclough, R Burton, A Cooper, P Cunnington, S Dunford, D Hardcastle, J Heward, J Hirst, L Holroyd, M MacDonald, B Moreton, A Munro, J Paxton, P Rock, M Sykes and C Whittingham.

Before the start of the meeting a PCSO made a verbal crime report and a member of the public addressed the Council on the subject of the Council's support for a 20 mph speed limit in Highburton.

Apologies were received from Cllrs A Cruden, G Hickey and E Hutchinson.

**P58 Apologies and
Declarations of
Interest**

The following personal interests were declared: Cllr Atkinson in the Kirklees Countryside Unit's grant application as she had been involved; Cllr H Barraclough in Shelley Village Hall as she is a resident of Shelley; Cllr R Barraclough in Planning Appl 90143 as he knows the applicant; Cllr Munro in the architect appointment for work at Kirkheaton Churchyard, as she knows one of the tenderers and Cllr Sykes in Planning Appl 90145 as he knows the applicant.

Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Council (Planning/GP) meeting on 21st January 2010 as a true record.

P59 Minutes

90145 *Erection of agricultural building and formation of vehicular access at West Royd Farm, Marsh Lane, Shepley.* Council deferred comment on this application in order to consult with the other 2 Shepley members.

P60 Planning

90233 *Erection of illuminated and non-illuminated signs at The Sovereign Public House, 172 Penistone Road, Shepley.* Council deferred comment on this application to allow time for members to make a site visit.

The following applications were recommended for approval: 90180 Stocksmoor; 90225 Shelley and 90277 Shelley.

There was no comment made on the following applications: 90107 Fenay Bridge; 90142 Shelley; 90143 Farnley Tyas; 90193 Kirkburton; 90252 Shelley; 90254 Flockton; 90264 Kirkburton; 90265 Grange Moor and 90274 Lepton.

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

P61 Planning Appeals

Members noted the consultation on improving engagement by statutory and non-statutory consultees on planning applications.

**P62 Engagement with
Consultees**

Members noted the consultation on improving the use and discharge of planning conditions.

P63 Planning Conditions

Members discussed the situation regarding the noticeboards at Lascelles Hall and Lepton, both of which had been vandalised.

**P64 Lascelles Hall &
Lepton
Noticeboards**

Resolved: Not to replace the noticeboards in Lascelles Hall and Lepton, but to seek an alternative site around the Spa Green area.

The Clerk gave a brief update on the situation regarding the proposed sale of the village hall.

P65 Shelley Village Hall

Members discussed the merits of attending Honley and Emley Shows again this year, whilst noting the previous decision taken just to attend one event per year.

P66 Shows

Resolved: To participate at Honley Show this year, sharing the trade stand with Holme Valley Parish Council if Holme Valley Parish Council is willing to do so.

Resolved: To establish a Shows Working Party 2010 with the remit of organising the event, producing the display and manning the trade stand at Honley Show and at any other similar events during 2010, and also organising the Environment Committee's Sunflower Competition & Environment Fayre.

Resolved: To elect the following Councillors to the Working Party: Cllrs R Barraclough, J Hirst, M Atkinson, S Dunford, L Holroyd A Munro and J Paxton.

Members noted Kirklees Countryside Unit's environment grant application for £480 to provide beginners vegetable growing classes, which had been submitted direct to Council in view of the urgency.

P67 Kirklees Countryside Unit

Resolved: To award Kirklees Countryside Unit £480 from the environment budget to provide beginners vegetable growing classes to residents of the Parish aged 16+, as detailed on the form.

The Clerk reported that Kirkheaton Committee, which had met earlier that evening, had considered quotes from architects firms to provide professional services with regard to the repair required to the lower wall (Job 5), and had recommended that Cllr Sykes be requested to approach Mr David Taylor, a structural engineer, to find out if he would be willing to oversee the contract, give permission for his previous set of drawings to be re-used and to produce any additional documents as required.

**P68 Kirkheaton Churchyard
a) Appointment of Architect**

Resolved: To request Cllr Sykes to approach Mr Taylor to find out if he would be willing to provide professional services for this job, including the re-use of his previous set of drawings and to report back to the Council.

Cllr Holroyd reported on the Trees item from the previous Committee meeting, and informed members that the Committee's recommendation was to have a site visit with the new Kirklees Trees Officer to identify the trees in need of felling/pruning and agree which ones were subject to Tree Preservation Orders.

P69 b) Trees

Resolved: To accept and adopt the Committee's recommendation of holding a site visit with the Kirklees Trees Officer in order to agree which trees were in need of felling or pruning, and which were subject to Tree Preservation Orders.

Members discussed Kirkburton & Highburton's Community Association's campaign to try and reinstate a village shop in Highburton, and noted the community project grant application for £3,000 to contribute towards legal costs.

P70 Kirkburton & Highburton Community Association

Resolved: To support the campaign and to award the grant in full (£3,000).

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

P71 Correspondence & Information

The Clerk was asked to find out if the bus shelters being removed for upgrading could be moved to alternative sites, and to write to the Community Association highlighting the health and safety problems with manner in which the tables had been stored.

- To consider changes in the way Council deals with consultations
- To inform members of its legal responsibilities in Kirkheaton Churchyard and consider any changes
- To report on progress with the Kirkburton and Shelley allotments following receipt of the petitions
- To consider adopting the new Model Standing Orders. The Clerk informed members this item was already included on the next Parish Council agenda.

P72 Future Agenda Items

The meeting then closed.