

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 3rd SEPTEMBER 2009 AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr R Barraclough in the Chair

Cllrs M Atkinson, S Dunford, K Dunn, D Hardcastle, J Heward, G Hickey, J Hirst, L Holroyd, E Hutchinson, M MacDonald, B Moreton, A Munro, A Murphy, S Murphy, J Paxton, P Rock and C Whittingham.

The Council was addressed by a member of the public on the subject of the lack of retail facilities in Highburton and the objectives of the Parish Council.

Apologies were received from Cllrs H Barraclough, Burton, Cooper, Cruden, Cunnington, Sykes and Taylor, the reasons for which were accepted by the Council.

**133 Apologies and
Declarations of
Interest**

The following personal interests were declared: Cllr Atkinson in Caro Ward as she is known to her; Cllr R Barraclough in Planning Appl 09/92049 as he knows the applicant; Cllrs Dunn and Hutchinson in Planning Appl 09/92324 as they are acquainted with the applicant; Cllr Hirst in the accounts as one cheque is made payable to his employer and as another cheque is reimbursing himself for a purchase on behalf of the Council; Cllr MacDonald in the grant application from Shelley Rainbows as he knows the applicant. Cllr Rock in David Taylor, as he knows him.

Cllr A Murphy declared a personal interest in all the planning applications as he was on the Kirklees Planning Sub-Committees for the Heavy Woollen and Huddersfield areas and on the Kirklees Planning and Highways Committee. He stated that all views expressed by himself at the Parish Council were preliminary as the final decisions on all applications will be made when he has received all information at the Kirklees committee meetings.

The Chairman expressed his condolences at the death of Cllr Smith's husband. The Clerk was asked to send a sympathy card.

134 Condolences

The Chairman reported there had not been any further appointments since the last meeting.

**135 Chairman's
Appointments**

Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 6th August 2009 as a true record. As clarification it was pointed out that Cllr A Murphy's declaration of interest had been made after he had been elected onto the Council.

**136 Parish Council
Minutes**

The Chairman wished it minuting that he had asked Cllr MacDonald to write to him with full details of all his issues over the last 12 months, so that the Chairman could investigate all the issues, taking information/advice as appropriate, and would write back bringing a conclusion to the whole matter. Cllr MacDonald was asked to make it clear whether the issues were questions, concerns or complaints so that the Chairman could deal with them correctly. And that all correspondence is signed.

**137 Chairman's
Statement**

The Clerk reported that the Leader of Kirklees Council had made a response to the Parish Council's letter and sent a copy of a Cabinet report. Cllrs Dunn and Hirst each requested a copy.

**138 Supermarket
Proposals (Min 115)**

Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Grants & Community Projects Committee meeting on 6th August 2009 as a true record. It was noted that the recommendation at Min CG1 had been agreed by Council, also on 6th August 2009.

**139 Grants & CP
Committee Minutes**

Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Environment Working Party meeting on 8th August 2009 as a true record.

**140 Environment
Working Party**

Resolved: To adopt agree additional the arrangements for the Environment Fayre as detailed in the papers circulated with the above set of minutes.

141 Environment Fayre

Resolved: To appoint local artist, Caro Ward, on the terms and conditions notified to do art & craft activities with the children at the Fayre.

**142 Local Artist
Appointment**

92197 *Erection of single storey extension at 18 Heaton Drive, Kirkheaton.* The Council had concerns regarding the flat roof. **143 Plans**

92207 *Outline application for the erection of one dwelling and one dormer bungalow at Rose Villa, 84 Barnsley Road, Flockton.* The Council objected on the grounds of highways since the traffic backs up on the road beyond the site of the proposed development, which would worsen the situation. Also, the proposed development was too large for the size of the plot.

92324 *Outline application for erection of detached dwelling and replacement garage on land adjacent to 17 Lane Side, Kirkheaton.* The Council objected to this proposed development on the grounds of highways safety – it is a fast road, often used as a short cut to/from the motorway. As there is no turning facility at the site, it would entail vehicles reversing into the road, which is contrary to UDP Policy D2.

92164 *Reuse extension and adaptation of existing barn to form granny annexe (listed building) at 2 Farnley Bank, Farnley Tyas.* Comment on this application was deferred to allow the ward members to make a site visit. The Clerk was delegated to submit the comment after consultation with the ward members.

92171 *Listed building consent for alterations and extension to convert single storey barn to granny annexe at 2 Farnley Bank, Farnley Tyas.* Comment on this application was deferred to allow the ward members to make a site visit. The Clerk was delegated to submit the comment after consultation with the ward members.

91858 *Erection of detached dwelling to the rear of 103 Marsh Lane, Shepley.* The Council objected on the grounds that it had already been built further up the garden than indicated on the plan. This resulted in the property being 3m closer to the neighbouring property and caused a detrimental impact on the visual and residential amenity

There was no comment made on the following applications:

92049 Thurstonland; 92170 Stocksmoor; 92202 Grange Moor; 92242 Kirkheaton; 92269 Kirkburton; 92285 Kirkburton; 92312 Kirkburton; 92316 Flockton; 92338 Lepton and 92396 Shepley.

Comment on the following applications was deferred pending receipt of the plans: 92346 Flockton (Grange Moor ward); 92373 Kirkburton; and 92465 Kirkburton (Thurstonland/FT ward).

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

144 Planning Appeals

A recorded vote was taken on the proposal to settle the accounts as presented with the following results:

145 Accounts

For: Cllrs Atkinson, R Barraclough, Dunford, Dunn, Hardcastle, Heward, Hickey, Hirst, Holroyd, Hutchinson, Moreton, Munro, A Murphy, S Murphy, Paxton, Rock and Whittingham.

Against: Cllr MacDonald

Abstentions: None

Resolved: To settle the accounts as presented (£4,836.96 including £718.99 agreed under LGA 1972 s137).

Members noted the Internal Auditor's report and the notified charges for the next two years.

146 Internal Auditor

Resolved: To note the report and appoint Torevell Dent to carry out the audit for the year ending 2010 on the terms and conditions notified.

Resolved: To elect Cllr Rock onto the Microgeneration Working Party.

147 Microgeneration Working Party

- Members noted the report from Kirklees on the findings of the Community Governance Review and the recommendations. Members also noted the additional information received and the Clerk reported that the issue would be discussed at the forthcoming Joint Review meeting, when a Kirklees officer would be present to offer further clarification and information on the recommendations.
- Resolved:** To defer consideration of the recommendations until further information and clarification had been received.
- Members noted the suggestion that two meetings be held with the other Kirklees Parish and Town Councils.
- Resolved:** To agree that one meeting would appear to be sufficient at this stage.
- Members noted the emergency grant application for £100 to part-finance the setting up costs of the new group fund the installation of cover the costs of fixing an additional rail in the disabled toilet. The Clerk reported that the recommendation of the Grants & Community Projects Committee was that the award be made in full.
- Resolved:** To award £100 to 10th Pennine East (Shelley) Rainbows to contribute towards the setting up costs of the new group.
- The Clerk gave a verbal update on progress of the contract. Members considered Mr David Taylor's terms and conditions. Members discussed the Council's expectations of Mr Taylor in this contract.
- Resolved:** To delegate the Clerk to discuss and agree the Council's contract requirements with Mr Taylor in consultation with the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Cllr Sykes.
- Resolved:** To delegate the Clerk to authorise expenditure up to £5,000 for unforeseen items to avoid undue delay to the contract.
- Cllr Paxton made a verbal report of Emley Show.
- Cllr Holroyd made a verbal report of the YLCA Annual General Meeting, which she had attended on behalf of the Council. Cllr Holroyd was thanked for her attendance and her report.
- Members noted the consultation.
- Resolved:** To send a letter of support.
- Members considered the issues at Grange Moor allotments.
- Resolved:** To authorise the Clerk to take the necessary actions when tenants are not fulfilling the terms of their leases.
- Resolved:** To request the Management & Finance Committee draw up a specification of work and develop a Council project to enable the vacant plots to be re-let in the Spring.
- Resolved:** To request the Management & Finance Committee review the conditions of the allotment agreement and make recommendations to Council.
- Members noted the two training events on Health & Safety and Cemetery Management.
- Resolved:** Not to send any delegates to either event.
- Members noted the Clerk's Report as distributed at the meeting.
- The Clerk drew attention to the grants forms which were now available on the table and may be downloaded from the Council's website.
- EPIP's joint project with Bradfield Parish Council to digitize parish council records.
- The meeting then closed.

148 Community Governance Review

149 10th Pennine East (Shelley) Rainbows Emergency Grant Application

150 Kirkheaton Churchyard – Boundary Wall Repair

151 Emley Show

152 YLCA Annual General Meeting

153 Creative Kirklees: Strategy

154 Grange Moor Allotments

155 Training Events

156 Clerk's Report

157 Grant Forms

158 Items for Future Agendas