

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

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

PRESENT: Cllr R Barraclough in the Chair

M Atkinson, H Barraclough, R Burton, A Cooper, A Cruden, P Cunnington, S Dunford, J Heward, G Hickey, J Hirst, L Holroyd, E Hutchinson, B Moreton, A Munro, J Paxton, P Rock and M Sykes.

Before the meeting two members of the public addressed the Council on the subjects of the level of the Environment budget for the next year and on bus services.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Dunn, Hardcastle, MacDonald, A Murphy, S Murphy, and Taylor, the reasons for which were accepted by the Council.

**197 Apologies and
Declarations of
Interest**

The following personal interests were declared: Cllr H Barraclough in Shelley Village Hall as she is a Shelley resident; Cllr Hirst in the accounts as he is the payee of one of the cheques and in John Moore as he works with him at the Town Centre Partnership; Cllr Hutchinson in Kirkheaton Churchyard as he has connections with the church.

The following prejudicial interests were declared: Cllr R Barraclough in Farnley Estates as he works for them and Cllr Hirst in the photocopier. Both members left the meeting when the respective issues were discussed and decided upon.

It was agreed that it may be necessary to hold the discussions regarding the photocopier and Kirkheaton Churchyard contracts in private session.

**198 Admission of the
Public**

The Chairman reported he had attended the Denby Dale Centre Annual General meeting and Ripponden Parish Council's Civic Sunday.

**199 Chairman's
Appointments**

Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 5th November 2009 as a true record.

**200 Parish Council
Minutes**

Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Staff & Grievance Committee meeting on 25th November 2009 as a true record.

**201 Staff & Grievance
Committee Minutes**

Resolved: To agree and adopt the minutes of the Kirkheaton Committee meeting on 5th November 2009.

**202 Kirkheaton
Committee Minutes**

Resolved: To agree and adopt the minutes of the Risk Assessment Committee on 19th November 2009 and the attached inspection reports at Shelley Village Hall & Shepley allotments.

**203 Risk Assessment
Minutes**

Resolved: To agree and adopt the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting on 19th November 2009 subject to the inclusion of Cllr R Barraclough on the attendance list.

**204 Environment
Committee Minutes**

Resolved: To agree and adopt the minutes of the Grants & Community Projects Committee meeting on 25th November 2009, subject to the inclusion of the £250 grant to Lepton Pilots.

**205 Grants & CP
Committee Minutes**

Resolved: To agree and adopt the Management & Finance Committee minutes on 25th November 2009 subject to the addition that Cllr Rock left in disgust.

**206 Management &
Finance Committee
Minutes**

Members received the Action Plan updated on 15th November 2009.

93147 *Erection of detached dwelling at 13 Lydgate Lepton.* The Council suggested this application be withdrawn as it does not contain sufficient information to constitute a full application.

207 Plans

93167 *Erection of one pair of semi-detached dwellings at the rear of 34 Jenkyn Lane, Shepley.* The Parish Council objects to the change in planning permission from a single dwelling to two dwellings on this site on highways grounds. The proposed access, which is onto Stocks Drive, is at the point where the turning circle is, at the head of the cul de sac. This is already quite tight, as there are usually cars parked on the opposite side of the road and the additional traffic would be a concern.

207 Plans (Cont'd)

There was no comment made on the following applications:

93076 Kirkburton; 93127 Lepton; 93162 Kirkburton; 93169 Shepley; 93176 Kirkburton; 93189 Kirkburton; 93263 Shelley; 93272 Stocksmoor and 93273 Shelley.

Comment on the following applications was deferred pending receipt of the plans: 93256 Shepley; 93279 Farnley Tyas; 93284 Little Lepton and 93285 Lepton.

Members noted the pre-application consultation received from O₂ regarding proposed alterations to a telecommunications installation on land off Green Balk Lane, Lepton.

208 Telecom Pre-Application

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

209 Planning Appeals

Cllr R Barraclough left the meeting for the following item, and Cllr Hirst took over the chair.

Members noted the information supplied regarding the revised draft plan and sustainability appraisal for the Farnley Tyas Village Framework Plan.

210 Farnley Tyas Village Framework Plan

Resolved: To support the proposals for a biomass heating scheme and a 20 mph speed limit for traffic in Farnley Tyas on condition that the latter does not delay any similar proposals being worked on by Kirklees Council. Also to ask that the Plan addresses the issue of social housing.

Cllr R Barraclough returned to the meeting.

Resolved: To settle the accounts as presented (£12,388.76 including £1,569.60 agreed under LGA 1972 s137).

211 Accounts

Resolved: To adopt the Receipts & Payments Statement covering the period of April to September 2009.

212 Receipts & Payments Statement

Cllr Hirst left the meeting.

Resolved: To hold the discussion of the following two items in private session, as the contracts were still under negotiation and may be subject to a tendering process.

213 Private Session

Members noted the information provided by the Clerk.

214 Photocopier

Resolved: To take out a lease on the Konica Minolta Bizhub 282 b/w copier and to obtain additional quotes, delegating the authority to the Clerk to make the decision on which firm to use.

Cllr Hirst returned to the meeting.

Members were given additional information regarding the work still required at Kirkheaton Churchyard, in conjunction with the budget proposals for 2010-11.

215 Kirkheaton Churchyard

Resolved: To invite the Vicar of Kirkheaton Parish Church to present the Church's proposals to a future Parish Council meeting.

Members noted the Management & Finance Committee's budget proposals for 2010-11.

216 Budget/Precept for 2010/11

Resolved: To accept the Management & Finance Committee's recommendations for the 2010/11 budget & precept with a budgetted expenditure of £153,760.00 and a precept of £122,000 for the financial year 2010-11.

- There was no further information available to the Council on the proposed sale of the village hall. The Clerk reported that she had received a request from the Community Association for a breakdown of the Council's expenditure on the building for the last 8-10 years.
- 217 **Shelley Village Hall**
- It was reported that the contract had been satisfactorily completed, and that complimentary emails had been received from the Church.
- 218 **Kirkheaton Churchyard Wall**
- Resolved:** To approve the final account.
- A verbal report was given on the recent meeting of Huddersfield South Area Committee.
- 219 **Area Committees**
- Members noted the Kirkburton Area Committee Community Action Plan Summary 2009-10.
- Members noted the request from Bag It Up/Yorkshire Air Ambulance to put up a notice on the website promoting their campaign to recycle textiles to raise funds for the charity.
- 220 **Notice on Website**
- Members noted the environment grant application from Grange Moor First School for £500 to contribute towards the cost of creating a school garden.
- 221 **Grange Moor First School**
- Resolved:** To award an environment grant of £500 to Grange Moor First School to contribute towards the costs of creating a school garden.
- Members noted the information from Kirklees regarding funding available to adopt red telephone kiosks within the parish.
- 222 **Red Telephone Kiosks**
- Resolved:** Not to pursue this issue.
- Members noted the additional information provided by Kirklees on the situation regarding requests for allotment land in Kirkburton and Shelley.
- 223 **Requests for Additional Allotments**
- Resolved:** To ask Kirklees about using the land adjoining Lane Side Cemetery in Kirkheaton for allotments.
- Members noted the Clerk's Report as distributed at the meeting.
- 224 **Clerk's Report**
- The Clerk reported NALC had requested permission to use Kirkburton Parish Council's environment policy as a case study in a new publication. The Clerk was asked to use her delegated authority to issue the permission.
- 225 **NALC**
- Renovation of village halls, in conjunction with the current EPIP scheme to refurbish 3 halls in the area over a period of 3 years.
 - Drainage problems in Flockton
 - To obtain a colour version of the Council crest - the Clerk was asked to obtain information on this matter.
- 226 **Agenda Items**
- The Chairman wished everyone a Happy Christmas and invited them to join him for Christmas refreshments.
- The meeting then closed.