

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 5th NOVEMBER 2009 AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr R Barraclough in the Chair

H Barraclough, R Burton, A Cooper, P Cunnington, S Dunford, D Hardcastle, G Hickey, J Hirst, L Holroyd, M MacDonald, A Murphy, J Paxton, P Rock, M Sykes and C Whittingham.

Before the meeting a member of the public address the Council asking for support for the provision of Boxing Day bus services in the areas of the Parish not currently served. The subject of winter road maintenance was also raised.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Atkinson, Cruden, Dunn, Moreton and Taylor, the reasons for which were accepted by the Council. Cllr Hardcastle apologised for having to leave the meeting early.

**184 Apologies and
Declarations of
Interest**

The following personal interests were declared: Cllr H Barraclough in Shelley Village Hall as she is a resident; Cllr R Barraclough in the piece of land at Fenay Bridge (Agenda Item 5) as the correspondent is known to him; Cllr Cunnington in Planning Appl 92904 as he knows the applicant; Cllr Hirst in the accounts as one of the cheques is payable to his employer; Cllr MacDonald in Shelley Village Hall as he frequents the place and also in R A Berry as the cheque is for work at Shelley Village Hall and Mrs Royle in EC Software as it is owned by her husband.

All members present declared a personal interest in Planning Appl 92940 as it had been submitted by the Parish Council.

Cllr A Murphy declared a personal interest in all the planning applications as he is 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 reported he had attended the Shepley Evergreens Annual Tea and the Kirklees Local Democracy Exhibition. Cllr Paxton also gave a short report on the latter.

**185 Chairman's
Appointments**

Resolved: To accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 1st October 2009 as a true record.

**186 Parish Council
Minutes**

92656 *Use of dwelling to operate 2 private hire cars at 8 Elder Mews, Shelley.* Council requested clarification on the number of cars, as the application stated 1 car.

187 Plans

92813 *Outline application for erection of one dwelling (within a conservation area) at Dene Fold, Kirkburton.* The Council objected to this proposed development unless the 3m section allowing for the Fenay Greenway is maintained.

92839 *Erection of single and 2-storey extensions at 9 Burton Royd Lane, Kirkburton.* The Council objected to the use of artificial stone on the roof – natural stone should be used to match in.

The following application was approved: 92875 Kirkburton, as it complied with Green Belt policies.

There was no comment made on the following applications:
92677 Shepley; 92685 Kirkburton; 92771 Thurstonland; 92772 Thurstonland;
92797 Lepton; 92819 Shelley; 92841 Stocksmoor; 92882 Kirkburton; 92893 Kirkburton;
92940 Thurstonland; 92941 Shelley; 92954 Shepley; 92957 Kirkburton;
92960 Grange Moor; 92962 Fenay Bridge; 92966 Thunderbridge; 92983 Lepton;
92993 Kirkheaton.

Comment on the following applications was deferred pending receipt of the plans:
92904 Houses Hill and 93024 Thurstonland.

- Members noted the planning appeal on land adjacent to 1/2 Hunt Royd, off Sowood Lane, Grange Moor for the outline application for erection of two detached dwellings. **188 Planning Appeals**
- Resolved:** To repeat Council's previous objections to the proposed development on the grounds of access and detrimental impact on the Green Belt.
- Members noted the information supplied and discussed the proposals for the land. **189 Proposed Recreation Facilities on land in Fenay Bridge**
- Resolved:** That the Council notes the information supplied and responds to say that it looks forward to the receipt of the reports as detailed in the correspondence. Also to ask that the Council is involved in the consideration of proposals at an early stage when it is possible to influence the outcome.
- Cllr Hardcastle left the meeting.
- Verbal reports were made by members who had attended the Kirklees planning training session on 21st October 2009. **190 Planning Training**
- Resolved:** To refer to the Management & Finance Committee proposals for e-planning.
- Cllr MacDonald raised various concerns regarding the accounts. The Chairman asked Cllr MacDonald to go through the proper channels and reminded him that at the Parish Council meeting on 3rd September 2009 he had been asked to write to the Chairman about these issues. **191 Accounts**
- A recorded vote was taken on the proposal to settle the accounts as presented on the schedule, with the following result:
- For: Cllrs Burton, Cooper, Cunnington, Dunford, Hickey, Hirst, Holroyd, Paxton, Rock, Sykes and Whittingham.
Against: Cllr MacDonald
Abstentions: Cllrs H Barraclough and Murphy.
- Resolved:** To settle the accounts as presented (£7,328.85 including £232.61 agreed under LGA 1972 s137).
- The Clerk reported that the Huddersfield Examiner had been in contact with the Chairman and Cllr Cooper about the proposed sale. A discussion took place about various related issues. **192 Shelley Village Hall**
- Resolved:** To refer the consideration of the Charity Bank and how it may be helpful to the Parish Council and/or community groups to the Management & Finance Committee. **193 Charity Bank**
- The Clerk reported that the work was scheduled to start on 9th November and that all the paperwork was in place, the traffic lights were organised, and that David Taylor had confirmed he would be available for the duration of the contract, as required. The Clerk informed members of the expected cost of the additional stone required. **194 Kirkheaton Churchyard**
- Resolved:** To agree the cost for the additional stone as notified by the contractor.
- Verbal reports were made of the Joint Review Meeting held on 30th September 2009 and attended by the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk. **195 Joint Review Meeting**
- Resolved:** To raise Standing Order 35 as the following item had been recently considered.
- Members noted the request from Kirklees and the joint meeting that the 5 Parish/Town Councils meet to form a collective view of the recommendations arising from the Parish Review.
- Resolved:** To take part in the above joint meeting and to nominate the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk to attend the meeting on behalf of the Council.
- Resolved:** To reinstate Standing Order 35.

Members noted the consultation currently being run by Kirklees into whether the Council should be run by a Cabinet Leader or an Elected Mayor.

**196 Kirklees
Consultation**

Resolved: To support the option of a Cabinet Leader.

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

Clerk's Report

The meeting then closed.