

**KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL  
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON THURSDAY, 19<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2009 AT 7.30 pm  
AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr Atkinson in the Chair

Mr G Cliffe, Mr T Scott (Kirkburton Civic Society & KHCA) and Mr N Windett (Kirklees Countryside Officer)  
Cllrs R Barraclough, R Burton, A Cooper, P Cunnington, S Dunford, G Hickey, J Hirst, L Holroyd, E Hutchinson, M  
MacDonald, B Moreton, J Paxton, M Sykes and C Whittingham.

Children from Shelley First School were in attendance. They explained some of their tasks as members of the School  
Council and Parish Councillors reciprocated by explaining their various roles at the Parish Council.

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| Apologies were received from Cllrs Munro and Rock, the reasons for which were accepted.  | <b>E31</b> | <b>Apologies and<br/>Declarations of<br/>Interest</b>                   |
| The following declarations of interest were declared: Cllr Atkinson in EPIP, as she is a<br>member; Cllr MacDonald as he has written 10 of the walks and sorted out the 11th; Cllr Sykes<br>in EPIP as he is a Director.   |            |   |
| Members noted the minutes of 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2009. Mr Scott reported that his name was not<br>on the attendance list as he had not signed the book.   | <b>E32</b> | <b>Minutes</b>  |
| Mr Windett gave a detailed presentation on the work of the Countryside Unit across Kirklees<br>and showed photographs of completed projects which had been completed in co-operation with<br>various local and community groups across the borough.  | <b>E33</b> | <b>Kirklees Countryside<br/>Unit</b>                                    |
| The children left the meeting after the presentation. Mr Windett was thanked for the<br>presentation and answered various questions arising from it.   |            |   |
| Members noted the current financial statement.   | <b>E34</b> | <b>Environment Budget<br/>2009-10</b>                                   |
| Members considered the environment grant application for £500 from Grange Moor First<br>School to be used to contribute towards the cost of preparing ground and creating a school<br>garden.  | <b>E35</b> | <b>Budget Proposals<br/>2009-10<br/>a) Grange Moor<br/>First School</b> |
| <b>Resolved:</b> To recommend that Grange Moor First School is awarded a grant of £500 for the<br>above purposes.  |            |   |
| The Clerk reported that the trees and shrubs would be delivered to the schools on the following<br>Monday. She asked that if members wished to help the schools with the planting they contact<br>the schools directly.  | <b>E36</b> | <b>b) Trees &amp; Shrubs</b>  |
| Members discussed which competition should be held with the schools next year. The<br>majority of members were in favour of repeating the sunflower competition and possibly<br>holding a vegetable competition in the future when the schools had had the opportunity to<br>develop their gardens.            | <b>E37</b> | <b>c) Competition</b>   |
| <b>Resolved:</b> To hold the sunflower competition for a second year.  |            |   |
| Members noted the information provided on compost bins.  | <b>E38</b> | <b>d) Compost Bins</b>  |
| <b>Resolved:</b> That Cllr Cooper meets with officers of Kirklees Environmental Health to find out<br>what services already exist & any gaps in the provision and reports back to the Committee.<br>Also to draft a questionnaire designed for the Council's website to consult the residents on the<br>issue. |            |   |

Members were informed that funding was currently available from EPIP to develop the 11 walks and produce the leaflets/CD.

**E39 e) Parish Walks**

**Resolved:** To submit the application as drafted and to agree Cllr Atkinson and Cllr Sykes as the signatories on the form.

**Resolved:** To set up a Committee or a Working Party to carry out the detailed work on the project.

Members noted the information provided on the work carried out by the Denby Dale Environment Officer.

**E40 Environment Officer**

**Resolved:** That he is invited to a future meeting of the Committee to give a 20 minute session focussing on the organisation and funding aspects of the position.

The following suggestions were made regarding possible projects:

**E41 New Projects**

- Flockton allotments
- Countryside signposting and site maps
- Possibility of exchanging the modern telephone box to an older style red kiosk at Highburton Cross

Members considered the Committee's budgetary needs for the next year.

**E42 Budget for 2010-11**

**Resolved:** To discuss the matter with full Council.

Members noted that the next meeting would be held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2010 at 7.30 pm.

**E43 Next Meeting**

Members were asked to make any requests for agenda items and supply related information to the Clerk by Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> January 2010.

**E44 Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

There was no further information to report.

**E45 Correspondence/ Information**

The meeting then closed.