

## KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 2<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY 2014 AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr S Beresford in the Chair

Cllrs B Armer, R Barraclough, P Brook, A Cooper, P Cunnington, D Hardcastle, J Hirst, I Lumb, L Parsley, J Paxton, M Pitts, R Thomas and C Whittingham

In attendance: Mrs R Perry and Mrs A Royle.

Apologies were received from Cllrs N Berry, R Burton, S Dunford, R Edmunds, P Pankhurst, S Triggs and B Wightman the reasons for which were accepted by the Council.

**187 Apologies and  
Declarations of  
Interest**

Cllr D Hardcastle apologised for lateness.

Cllrs H Barraclough, D Bradbury, K Dunn and A Munro were absent.

The following personal interests were declared: Cllr D Hardcastle in planning application 93919 as he knows the applicant; Cllr J Hirst in the Accounts as he was listed in the cheque schedule; Cllr L Parsley in planning application 93826 as she resides in the same area as the applicant.

Cllr R Barraclough declared an interest planning application 93919 as he knows the applicant. He also declared an interest in all the planning applications as he is a member of the Kirklees Heavy Woollen Planning Committee and stated that any views expressed would be of a preliminary nature with the final decision being taken at the Committee meeting when in receipt of full information.

The local Police gave a verbal update on incidents in the area.

**188 Public Participation**

Cllr D Hardcastle entered the meeting.

**Resolved:** To hold all items in the public session.

**189 Admission of the  
Public**

Mr Peter Butters, Connectivity Strategy Manager at Kirklees, gave a verbal update to the Council regarding the progress of the Superfast Broadband proposal. Meetings are on-going with DEFRA and we will be kept informed of developments as and when they happen.

**190 Superfast  
Broadband**

**Resolved:** To receive further information from Peter Butters when it becomes available.

The Chairman reported that he had attended Scissett Youth Band Christmas Concert, the "Re-Opening" Service at St John's Church, Kirkheaton and also had a Christmas lunch with Lepton Luncheon Club.

**191 Chairman's  
Appointments**

**Resolved:** To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5th December 2013 as an accurate record.

**192 Parish Council  
Minutes**

*2013/62/93893/E Yew Tree Cottage, Bath Street, Kirkburton  
Erection of 1 detached dwelling, change of use of part of existing paddock to garden and demolition of existing dwelling (within a Conservation Area)*

**193 Plans**

The Parish Council objected to this proposed development on the grounds that it is too large for the site, it is inappropriate development in the Green Belt and also on highways' grounds, since the access would be onto an unadopted track.

*2013/62/93249/W Land of Thurgory Lane, Lascelles Hall, HD8 0NH*

*Installation of a 100kw northern power wind turbine on a 23m mast*

The Parish Council objected to this proposed development on the grounds of the cumulative effect of turbines in this area – there is a similar turbine quite close to this location which already has permission, it would be within close proximity to the public footpath and there has been no coal mining survey undertaken. There would also be detrimental visual and residential impact.

*2013/60/93908/E Land adj Grange Moor Garage, 14 Wakefield Road, Grange Moor*

*Outline application for erection of 2 detached dwellings and associated works*

The Parish Council objected to this proposed development on highways' grounds, as it would entail an additional access onto a busy road, which has a history of road traffic incidents.

*2013/60/93921/E Adj 52 Barnsley Road, Flockton*

*Outline application for erection of one dwelling*

The Parish Council objected to this proposed development on highways' grounds, as the access is onto the main road at its narrowest section in the village, where it cannot be widened. Also, the sightlines of traffic travelling from the Grange Moor direction are very poor.

There was no comment on the following applications:

93624 Fenay Bridge; 93684 Shelley; 93692 Grange Moor; 93762 Fenay Bridge; 93785 Lepton; 93793 Stocksmoor; 93797 Kirkburton; 93828 Shelley; 93848 Lascelles Hall; 93872 Kirkburton; 93904 Kirkheaton; 93909 Farnley Tyas; 93912 Kirkburton; 93915 Kirkburton; 93919 Farnley Tyas; 93920 Shepley; 93923 Kirkburton; 93924 Highburton; 93957 Highburton; 93970 Kirkburton; 93974 Kirkburton; 93978 Shepley

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

**194 Planning Appeals**

**Resolved:** To approve the accounts as presented (£6,126.51 including £150.00 agreed under LGA 1972 s137.)

**195 Accounts**

Members considered referring the new NALC Model Standing Orders to the Management & Finance Committee for review in comparison with the existing ones.

**196 New Model Standing Orders**

**Resolved:** To refer the new NALC Model Standing Orders to the Management & Finance Committee for review.

Members considered producing a long-term plan for the management of the churchyard.

**197 Kirkheaton Churchyard**

**Resolved:** To refer this matter to the Kirkheaton Committee for consideration.

The Clerk gave a verbal report to members on the SLCC Annual Conference that she had attended and the information sessions she had been to. She thanked Council for allowing her to attend the conference.

**198 SLCC Annual Conference**

The Clerk gave a verbal report to members on the SLCC West Yorkshire Branch Training Day that she had attended with the Assistant Clerk and the Chairman and reported back on the training they had received, in particular details of a new investment opportunity open to public bodies.

**199 SLCC West Yorkshire Branch Training Day**

**Resolved:** To request that the Management & Finance Committee looks into the investment possibilities and makes a recommendation to Council.

Members noted the Clerk's Report which had been circulated at the meeting.

**200 Clerk's Report**

The Clerk was asked to make enquiries about staff structure changes at Shelley College and to table an agenda item when the information was available.

**201 Agenda Items**

The meeting then closed.