

## KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2013 AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr S Beresford in the Chair

Cllrs B Armer, H Barraclough, R Barraclough, N Berry, D Bradbury, P Brook, R Burton, A Cooper, P Cunnington, K Dunn, R Edmunds, J Hirst, I Lumb, A Munro, L Parsley, J Paxton, M Pitts, R Thomas, S Triggs, C Whittingham and B Wightman

In attendance: Mrs R Perry and Mrs A Royle.

Apologies were received from Cllrs S Dunford and P Pankhurst the reasons for which were accepted by the Council.

Cllr D Hardcastle was absent.

**140 Apologies and Declarations of Interest**

Members considered the correspondence from Cllr Pankhurst and his request that the Council accept apologies from him for six months.

**Resolved:** To accept apologies from Cllr Pankhurst until 7<sup>th</sup> May 2014 for the reasons specified and to review the situation in six month's time.

The following personal interests were declared: Cllr B Armer in planning application 93117 as he knows the applicant; Cllr R Barraclough in planning applications 93021 and 93473 as he knows the applicants; Cllr R Edmunds in any crime related issues; Cllr J Hirst in planning applications 93201 and 93302 as he knows the applicants; Cllr A Munro in planning application 92856 as she knows the applicant; Cllr L Parsley in the Shelley Village Hall item as she is a resident of Shelley; Cllr S Triggs in the Shelley Village Hall item as she is a resident of Shelley. All members declared a personal interest in planning applications 93117 and 93302 as they know the applicants.

Cllr R Barraclough and Cllr A Cooper both declared personal interests in all the planning applications as they are members 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.

**141 Public Participation**

**Resolved:** To hold all items in the public session with the exception of the item on Shelley Village Hall which is to be held in the private session as it concerns contractual matters and the discussion will disclose confidential information.

**142 Admission of the Public**

The Chairman reported that he had attended the presentation to Allotment Competition winners, the opening of the NCMM Exhibition "A Bevan Boy in Yorkshire", the opening of the skateboard park in Skelmanthorpe, the Chairman's sponsored walk and Ripponden Parish Council's Civic Service.

**143 Chairman's Appointments**

**Resolved:** To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013 as an accurate record.

**144 Parish Council Minutes**

Cllr N Berry left the meeting.

**Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Land & Property Committee meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013 as an accurate record.

**145 Land & Property Committee Minutes**

**Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2013 as an accurate record.

**146 Environment Committee Minutes**

Cllr B Wightman entered the meeting.

**Resolved:** To agree the notes of the Fruit Tree Working Party meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2013 as an accurate record. **147 Fruit Tree Working Party**

**Resolved:** To replace the dead trees in Thurstonland and Kirkheaton and to continue the tree planting as detailed on the schedule dated 9<sup>th</sup> September 2013.

**Resolved:** To look into the possibility of donating trees to community groups for distribution to local residents with community groups retaining any funds raised.

Members received the notes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2013. A verbal update on the two projects was received. The opening of the skateboard park had been a great success and the young people were to be congratulated for their efforts in helping to organise the event. Members considered supporting a follow-on project to create a mosaic at the skateboard park from winning entries of the art competition and incorporating a picture of Charlie White. **148 Youth Engagement**

**Resolved:** To support the development of the mosaic project.

*2013/54/93300/W Land at Whitley Willows, Lepton, Huddersfield, HD8 0GD  
Discharge of Section 106 obligation relating to previous applications 2005/93527 for conversion of part of mill/offices to 12 apartments and 5 townhouses with garages and car ports and 2006/93255 for conversion of mill to 13 apartments and erection of extension to form 3 apartments.*

**149 Plans**

Council expressed concerns that a successor in title to the Section 106 had not been appointed at the time the planning permissions were granted. There were concerns that discharging the company's responsibilities in this way would set a bad precedent for the future.

*2013/93375/E Land adj 497 Penistone Road, Shelley  
Erection of detached dwelling*

The Parish Council had concerns regarding the traffic disruption and the potential for road traffic accidents whilst the work is being carried out, since the property is located close to a sharp bend.

There was no comment on the following applications:

92856 Kirkheaton; 92927 Kirkheaton; 93117 Kirkburton; 93150 Kirkburton;  
93201 Farnley Tyas; 93231 Kirkheaton; 93236 Shepley; 93238 Thurstonland;  
93240 Shepley; 93248 Stocksmoor; 93250 Shelley; 93276 Fenay Bridge; 93278 Kirkheaton;  
93293 Grange Moor; 93294 Shepley; 93298 Kirkheaton; 93302 Shelley; 93310 Lepton;  
93311 Farnley Tyas; 93313 Thurstonland; 93338 Grange Moor; 93359 Grange Moor;  
93372 Highburton; 93377 Kirkburton; 93407 Shepley; 93408 Shepley; 93409 Shepley;  
93421 Shelley; 93423 Highburton; 93444 Shepley; 93463 Shelley; 93473 Highburton

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

**150 Planning Appeals**

**Resolved:** To bring forward the following two items to this point in the meeting.

**151 Change of Business**

Members considered nominating delegate/s to attend any of the following training courses:

**152 YLCA Training Events**

- a) What Councillors need to know.
- b) Learning procedures and legalities through practical examples.
- c) Planning.
- d) Finding out more about employment and getting it right.
- e) Chairmanship.

**Resolved:** Cllr John Hirst to attend the course on Finding out about employment and getting it right on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

- Members considered nominating delegate/s to attend the event to be held at the Moorthorpe Station on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.
- 153 SLCC West Yorkshire Branch Annual Training Day**
- Resolved:** Cllr Steve Beresford, the Clerk and Assistant Clerk to attend the SLCC Branch Annual Training Day at Moorthorpe Station on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.
- Resolved:** To approve the accounts as presented (£6,088.43).
- 154 Accounts**
- Members considered the suggestions put forward on ways of marking the event in a respectful manner. It was noted that the Council should do what it can to protect local buildings with historical significance to World War 1.
- 155 Commemoration of World War 1**
- Resolved:** To commemorate the event in the following ways: a) Purchase poppy seeds and sow them throughout the Parish; b) Send a letter to all schools in the Parish area enclosing packets of poppy seeds for the children to sow where they deem appropriate, with the Chairman and Vice Chairman visiting schools to explain the reasons for the poppy seed sowing, subject to the schools' agreement; c) Councillors to record all the war memorials in their wards, transcribe the information and request that the information is included on Kirklees' website, as well as the Parish Council's newsletter / website; d) Request Kirklees check the wording on the Kirkburton Cenotaph for accuracy.
- Members also considered nominating delegate/s to attend one of the Kirklees 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Network Meetings being held on 14<sup>th</sup> November in Huddersfield Town Hall and 18<sup>th</sup> November in Cleckheaton Town Hall.
- Resolved:** To express an interest in the meetings and request any information available following the meetings to be sent to the Parish Council.
- Members considered granting permission to Shelley Community Association to erect the extension as detailed in the Planning Application No 2013/62/93302/E, which had been previously circulated in accordance with Clause 26.2 of the lease.
- 156 Shelley Village Hall - Extension**
- Resolved:** To grant permission to Shelley Community Association to erect the extension in accordance with Clause 26.2 of the lease.
- Members noted the consultation and considered whether to submit a comment.
- 157 The Electoral Commission Consultation: Standing for Election in the UK**
- Resolved:** To note the consultation but not to submit a comment at this time.
- Members considered approving the draft copy for Volume 4 Issue 3. The Assistant Clerk was thanked for her efforts in the production of the newsletter.
- 158 One Voice**
- Resolved:** To approve Volume 4 Issue 3 of One Voice.
- Members noted the information received from YLCA and Kirklees and discussed the timing for setting the budget and precept.
- 159 Budget / Precept Setting**
- Resolved:** To note the information received and to maintain the existing timetable for setting the budget and precept for 2014/15.

**Resolved:** That the discussion of the following item is held in private, as it concerns future contracts.

**160 Shelley Village Hall  
– Drain and Wall  
on Far Bank**

Members received a verbal update and recommendations from the Management and Finance Committee on the current situation with both the drain and the wall on Far Bank.

**Resolved:** To waive Financial Regulations on this occasion and appoint the Drain Doctor to carry out the work as detailed in the quote on the terms and conditions notified, as any possible cost savings are likely to be taken up with the cost of obtaining additional quotes.

**Resolved:** To appoint Lucas Lee to draw up a specification for the work required to the wall on Far Bank on the terms and conditions notified.

Members noted the written report which had been circulated at the meeting.

**161 Clerk's Report**

A vote of thanks was given to Cllr John Hirst for organising the recent visit to the Houses of Parliament upon the invitation of Simon Reeve MP.

**162 Thanks**

- Update on Broadband application

**163 Agenda Items**

The Chairman closed the meeting.