

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER 2016 AT 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr R Franks in the Chair

Cllrs H Abid, B Armer, S Beresford, A Boden, R Bray, J Cowan, P Cunnington, D Hardcastle, L Holroyd, J Paxton, J Roebuck, J Sykes and M Sykes.

In attendance: Mrs A Royle.

Apologies were received from Cllrs M Ackroyd, R Barraclough, P Brook, R Burton, K Dunn, P McGleenan, B McGuin, C Rowatt and J Taylor, the reasons for which were accepted by the Council. Cllr C Walker was absent.

88 Apologies

The following personal interests were declared:

Cllr Cowan in Shepley Cricket Club as he knows the Club's President; Cllr Hardcastle as he knows members of the Club; Cllr Paxton in Planning Appl 16/92811 as he knows the applicant; Cllr Roebuck in Shepley Cricket Club as she knows the Club's President, and in Shepley allotments as she knows the tenant.

89 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Armer declared an interest in all the applications, as he is a member of the Kirklees Strategic Planning Committee and a substitute member of the Heavy Woollen and Huddersfield Planning Committees. He 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.

There were no members of the public present.

90 Public Participation

Resolved: To hold all items in the public session.

91 Admission of the Public

The Clerk reported there had been no appointments since the last meeting.

92 Chairman's Appointments

Resolved: To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4 August 2016.

93 Council Minutes

Resolved: To accept and adopt the minutes of the Land and Property Committee meeting held on 4 August 2016.

94 Committee Minutes

Members considered the Kirklees Weekly Plan Lists for weeks commencing 1, 8, 15 and 22 August 2016.

95 Plans

2016/92811 *Erection of 46 dwellings and associated works including access, public open space, landscaping, parking and ancillary works at Flockton Hall Farm, Barnsley Road, Flockton.* The Council strongly objected to this proposed development on highways' grounds since the access has extremely poor sightlines for traffic exiting the development and that driving along Barnsley Road. There has already been a serious accident in this area very recently, and is already documented as a dangerous stretch of road, with a high incidence of accidents.

Cllr Armer wished it to be recorded that he abstained from comment on this application.

There was no comment on the following applications:

2016/92322 Flockton; 2016/92333 Fenay Bridge; 2016/92350 Shelley; 2016/92448 Farnley Tyas; 2016/92456 Kirkburton; 2016/92485 Fenay Bridge; 2016/92510 Shepley; 2016/92528 Farnley Tyas; 2016/92556 Lepton; 2016/92562 Shelley; 2016/92568 Kirkburton; 2016/92571 Kirkburton; 2016/92575 Houses Hill; 2016/92576 Kirkheaton; 2016/92577 Lepton; 2016/92583 Kirkheaton; 2016/92636 Highburton; 2016/92668 Kirkheaton; 2016/92734 Shepley; 2016/92743 Flockton; 2016/92748 Thurstonland; 2016/92754 Shelley; 2016/92768 Highburton and 2016/92804 Stockmoor.

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

96 Planning Appeals

Resolved: To approve the accounts as presented (£3,383.45).

97 Accounts

Members noted the information about the event being hosted by the Greater Huddersfield and Calderdale Clinical Commissioning Groups on the future delivery of healthcare services in Calderdale and Greater Huddersfield on 13 September at the Cedar Court Hotel at Ainley Top.

98 Right Care, Time, Place Stakeholder Event

Resolved: To note the invitation.

Members considered the correspondence received from Shepley Cricket Club requesting permission to use the previously awarded community project grants to contribute towards the installation of a 3-phase power instead for the air source heat pump to supply heating to the changing rooms, for which the grants were originally awarded.

99 Shepley Cricket Club

A proposal was made that the funding is returned to the Parish Council and a new application is lodged. An amendment was added to the effect that the Club could retain the funding and the deadline is extended for a further 6 months if the members decided to return to the original plan of installing the heat pump. The amendment was lost.

Resolved: To refuse permission for the change to the award, and encourage Shepley Cricket Club to lodge a new application for the revised works.

Members considered whether it was now time for the planted tree on Moor Lane in Highburton to have a festoon of lights at Christmas to replace the cut tree normally located by Highburton Cross.

100 Christmas Trees

Resolved: To keep the cut tree by Highburton Cross this year.

Members discussed the situation of funding for the hanging baskets for the summer of 2017.

101 Hanging Baskets

Resolved: To make an application for £232 to the Huddersfield District Committee and £1,500 to the Rural District Committee to contribute towards the cost of providing hanging baskets across the Parish. The rationale for the applications is the scheme improves the environment, which falls within the aims of the District Committees and the Parish Council area forms part of the District Committees' areas.

The Clerk reported that an election had been requested to fill the vacancy in the Lepton ward. Members considered the appropriate timing for issuing the polling cards.

102 Vacancy in the Lepton Ward

Resolved: To request Kirklees Council to issue the polling cards at the earliest opportunity.

Members noted the written report from the Clerk, which had been circulated at the meeting. Members were provided with paper small annual grant forms and the Clerk outlined the rules to members.

103 Correspondence and Information

The Clerk was asked to use delegated authority to contact Highways about the problem with the traffic lights in Flockton.

Members were asked to respond to the Chairman's invitation to the Civic Sunday if they had not already done so.

No agenda items were requested.

104 Agenda Items

The Chairman then closed the meeting.