

## KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, Highburton on Thursday, 2 November 2017 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr R Franks in the Chair

Cllrs M Ackroyd, B Armer, R Barraclough, S Beresford, A Boden, R Bray, P Brook, R Burton, P Cunnington, D Hardcastle, P McGleenan, B McGuin, A Munro, J Paxton, J Roebuck, J Sykes, M Sykes and J Taylor.  
Officer in attendance: Mrs A Royle.

Apologies were received from Cllrs H Abid, J Cowan, K Dunn, L Holroyd and C Rowatt, the reasons for which were accepted by the Council **115 Apologies**

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. **116 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Beresford declared an interest in Lepton Vision, as he is a member of the group.

Cllr Brook declared an interest in the Kirkheaton Neighbourhood Plan, as she is a member of Kirkheaton Future.

Cllr Cunnington declared an interest in Lepton Vision, as he is a member of the group.

Cllr Franks declared an interest in Planning Application 17/93659, as he knows the applicant.

Cllr Hardcastle declared an interest in Planning Application 17/93501 as he knows the applicant.

Cllr McGuin declared an interest in all the applications, as he is a member of the Huddersfield Planning Committee and substitute member of the Kirklees Strategic 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.

Cllr Munro declared interests in Lepton Vision and Kirkheaton Future as she knows the people involved in both groups. She also declared interests in Planning Applications 17/93355, as she knows the applicant and agent, and 17/93535 as she knows the applicant.

Cllr Paxton declared interests in Planning Applications 17/92628, 17/93433 and 17/93439 as he knows the applicants.

Cllr Taylor declared an interest in all the applications, as he attends Kirklees 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. He also declared interests in Planning Applications 17/93391 as he knows the applicant and 17/93540 as he knows the owners.

West Yorkshire Police Officers addressed the meeting on the subject of crime in the Kirkburton ward. **117 Public Participation**

**Resolved:** To hold all items in the public session. **118 Admission of the Public**

The Chairman reported that he had not attended any official engagements since his last report. **119 Chairman's Appointments**

**Resolved:** To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5 October 2017. **120 Council Minutes**

**Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Management and Finance Committee meeting held on 5 October 2017.

**121 M&F Committee Minutes**

Members considered the Kirklees Weekly Plan Lists for weeks commencing 2, 9, 16 and 23 October 2017.

**122 Plans**

The following applications are recommended for approval: 17/93433 Flockton and 17/93512 Flockton.

17/91921 *Outline application for the erection of one dwelling on land adj to 102 Gawthorpe Lane, Lepton.* **Resolved:** To delegate the Clerk to submit the comment after consultation with the Lepton members.

17/91922 *Outline application for the erection of one dwelling on land adj to 102 Gawthorpe Lane, Lepton.* **Resolved:** To delegate the Clerk to submit the comment after consultation with the Lepton members.

17/93183 *Outline application for the erection of one dwelling (within a Conservation Area) at the Old Vicarage, Marsh Hall Lane, Thurstonland.* The Council objected on Highways grounds, since the sightlines to the left when exiting the access are exceptionally poor. Also as it has a detrimental impact on residential amenity, as the proposed dwelling is 2-storey, in a neighbourhood of bungalows.

17/93357 *Erection of detached dwelling (modified proposal) on Plot 1, land to rear of 59 Far Bank, Shelley.* The Council objects on Highways' grounds due to the close proximity of the access to School Terrace, which is exceptionally busy at school times. Its truncated design is also out of keeping with the neighbouring properties.

17/93439 *Erection of a detached dwelling at 193 Barnsley Road, Flockton.* The Council objected on Highways' grounds as the access is too narrow.

17/93501 *Erection of extension and alterations to convert existing garage block to one dwelling at Woodend, Greenside Road, Thurstonland.* The Council objected on the grounds that it was inappropriate development in the Green Belt.

There was no comment on the following applications:

17/93294 Shelley (Shepley ward); 17/93317 Thurstonland; 17/93339 Shelley; 17/93355 Lepton; 17/93368 Lepton; 17/93375 Stocks Moor; 17/93381 Flockton; 17/93391 Shepley; 17/93467 Lepton; 17/93471 Shelley; 17/93478 Kirkburton; 17/93487 Stocks Moor; 17/93495 Kirkheaton; 17/93506 Kirkburton; 17/93510 Shelley; 17/93518 Lepton (GM ward); 17/93521 Shepley; 17/93535 Lepton; 17/93540 Kirkburton; 17/93579 Thurstonland; 17/93588 Kirkheaton; 17/93593 Flockton (GM ward); 17/93624 Kirkburton; 17/93628 Flockton; 17/93635 Lepton (GM ward); 17/93659 Grange Moor and 17/93663 Shepley.

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

**123 Planning Appeals**

**Resolved:** To approve the accounts as presented (£5238.73 inc £235.00 agreed under LGA 1972 s137).

**124 Accounts**

In future accounts reports, the Clerk was asked to make it clear that the payments made in connection with the Kirkheaton neighbourhood plan were covered by a grant obtained from an external source, and not by the precept.

Members noted the consultation on the proposed new disqualification criteria for Councillors.

**125 Consultation on Disqualification Criteria for Councillors**

**Resolved:** To note the consultation.

Members considered whether to submit a funding application to the Kirklees Council's Members Local Project Fund to request a contribution towards the cost of hanging baskets in the Kirkburton ward.

**126 Hanging Baskets**

**Resolved:** To submit a request to the Kirklees Council's Members Local Project Fund to request a contribution towards the cost of hanging baskets in the Almondbury, Dalton and Kirkburton wards.

Members indicated the amount requested of the Kirkburton ward should be in line with last year's contribution.

Members considered the allocation of the remaining bat boxes.

**127 Bat Boxes**

**Resolved:** To allocate them as follows: Thurstonland Church (2); Grange Moor (1) and All Hallows Church (1).

Members noted the documents distributed with the meeting papers. The Clerk reported that since the issue of the papers, further information and advice had been received from Kirklees Planning Officers, which proposed an alternative boundary for the Neighbourhood Area.

**128 Lepton Neighbourhood Plan**

**Resolved:** To defer a decision on the matter, to allow Lepton Vision members to consider the Planning Officers' proposals.

Members noted the legal advice received and considered the two proposed options, of either setting up a committee to work with the unpaid volunteer to be co-opted onto the committee to prepare the necessary documentation for presentation to the Council to enable it to fulfil its statutory obligations; or to appoint the unpaid volunteer to prepare the necessary documentation for presentation to the Council to enable it to fulfil its statutory obligations.

**129 Kirkheaton Neighbourhood Plan**

**Resolved:** To set up a committee with the power to co-opt members, to prepare the necessary documentation for presentation to the Council to enable it to fulfil its statutory obligations with regard to the Kirkheaton and Lepton Neighbourhood Plans

**Resolved:** To call the committee the Neighbourhood Plans Committee.

**Resolved:** To elect the following members onto the Neighbourhood Plans Committee: Chairman, Vice Chairman, Cllrs H Abid (if she is willing), M Ackroyd, S Beresford, P Brook, R Burton, P Cunningham, K Dunn (if he is willing) and B McGuin.

Members noted the written report from the Clerk, which had been circulated at the meeting. Members of the Grants & Community Projects Committee were asked to collect their papers for the forthcoming meeting, and informed that the small annual grant application forms would be sent out under separate cover.

**130 Correspondence and Information**

- Flockton Link Road

**131 Agenda Items**

The Chairman then closed the meeting.