

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 6 JUNE 2019 AT 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr S Beresford in the Chair

Cllrs B Armer, R Barraclough, R Battye, M Booth, R Bray, P Brook, R Burton, A Cooper, J Cowan, P Cunningham, S Duffy, D Hardcastle, D Knight, K Middleton, T Moores, A Munro, J Paxton, J Roebuck, B Smith, P Taylor, C Walters and M Wheelhouse.

Officer in attendance: Mrs A Royle.

Before the meeting started, the Chairman paid tribute to past Chairman and Councillor Lin Holroyd, who had recently died. The Council stood in one minute's silence out of respect.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Clerk gave out 'housekeeping' notices for the benefit of new members, and also outlined the fire procedures.

28 Chairman's Welcome / Fire Procedures

Apologies were received from Cllrs J Spivey and J Taylor, the reasons for which were accepted by the Council.

29 Apologies

The following personal interests were declared:

30 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Armer declared an interest in all the applications, as he is a substitute member of Kirklees Planning Sub-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 declared a particular interest in Planning Application 19/91578 as he knows the applicant.

Cllr Bray declared an interest in Planning Applications 19/91502 and 19/91744, as he knows the applicants.

Cllr Cowan declared an interest in Planning Application 18/93600 as he knows the applicant.

Cllr Hardcastle declared an interest in Planning Application 19/91502 as he knows the applicant.

Cllr Munro declared an interest in all the applications, as she is a substitute member of the Kirklees Planning Committee. She 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. She declared a particular interest in Planning Application 19/91500 as she knows the applicant.

Cllr Paxton declared an interest in Planning Application 19/91502 as he knows the applicant.

Cllr P Taylor declared an interest in Planning Application 19/91502 as he knows the applicant.

The Clerk read out a letter from a resident of Flockton concerning the highways and road safety issues currently being experienced.

31 Public Participation

Resolved: To hold all items in the public session.

32 Admission of the Public

The Chairman reported that he had not attended any engagements since the last report.

33 Chairman's Appointments

Resolved: To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4 April 2019.

34 Council Minutes

Resolved: To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 16 May 2019.

35 Annual Council Minutes

Members considered the Kirklees Weekly Plan Lists for weeks commencing 13, 20 and 27 May 2019.

36 Plans

19/91638 *Reserved Matters application for erection of 22 dwellings pursuant to outline permission 2017/92233 on land at Abbey Road North, Shepley.* The Council stated its preference for access to the site to be via Stretchgate, as this provides access to the station and creates a safe route into the village, to the shops, library, school, etc and avoiding the busy A629. Concerns were also expressed regarding play equipment and facilities, and requested that the S106 monies from the two proposed developments in Shepley be combined to fund the scheme. Clarification regarding the sizes of the housing stock was also requested.

19/91569 *Erection of 31 dwellings on land to the south-east of Abbey Road North, Shepley.* The Council had concerns about the ownership of this site and also the one relating to Planning Application No 2019/91638. This site is currently bounded by a dry stone wall on Abbey Road, which is a nice feature the Council would like to see retained, with the access suitably keyed into the existing wall. This would help to maintain a safe route to school for the young children attending Shepley First School.

There was no comment on the following applications:

18/93600 Shepley; 19/91484 Shepley; 19/91487 Lascelles Hall (Lepton ward); 19/91499 Grange Moor; 19/91500 Lepton; 19/91502 Kirkburton; 19/91548 Lepton (Grange Moor ward); 19/91556 Shepley; 19/91578 Grange Moor; 19/91605 Lepton; 19/91631 Shepley; 19/91639 Lascelles Hall (Lepton ward); 19/91640 Lascelles Hall (Lepton ward); 19/91642 Kirkheaton; 19/91660 Shepley; 19/91685 Shepley; 19/91712 Shepley; 19/91743 Shepley; 19/91744 Kirkburton; 19/91757 Lepton and 19/91762 Shepley.

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

37 Planning Appeals

Resolved: To approve the accounts as presented (£3,667.87).

38 Accounts

Members considered whether to replace the dog waste bag dispensers located on the recreation ground by Lepton Square in Lepton, and by the entrance to the Whinns in Shelley. The former is damaged and the latter has been stolen.

39 Dog Wastebag Dispensers

Resolved: To replace both dog wastebag dispensers.

Members noted the information circulated with the meeting papers, which outlined the road safety and highways issues on Barnsley Road in Flockton.

**40 Highways Issues
i. Flockton**

Resolved: To write to West Yorkshire Police to request enforcement with regard to motorists driving on the pavement and illegal parking. Also to write to the Kirklees Chief Executive requesting better signage of the 20 mph speed limit, especially by painting on the road.

Members noted the information circulated with the meeting papers, which outlined the road safety and highways issues on Rowley Lane and Woodlands Road in Lepton.

41 ii. Lepton

Resolved: To write to West Yorkshire Police requesting enforcement with regard to the impingements of the law. Also to write to the Kirklees Chief Executive to request that double yellow lines are extended along Rowley Lane in Lepton and introduced at the junction of Woodlands Road and Rowley Lane in Lepton.

Resolved: That Cllr Beresford and Cllr Munro would speak to the Head Teachers of the two Lepton primary schools requesting they raise the issue of irresponsible parking with parents.

- Members noted the information with regard to submitting resolutions to the YLCA Joint Annual Meeting. **42 YLCA Joint Annual Meeting**
- Resolved:** To note the information.
- Members noted that the new Good Councillor's Guides were now available and considered whether to purchase paper copies. **43 Good Councillor's Guide**
- Resolved:** That the Clerk would download the publication and send out the link to all members. Paper copies would be available to anyone unable to download and print the publication.
- Members discussed the proposal of nominating members to the Waste Strategy Working Group. **44 Waste Strategy Working Group**
- Resolved:** To defer a decision to the next meeting.
- Members noted the poor condition of a guidestoop at the crossroads by the Blacksmiths Arms in Kirkheaton, and considered the possibility of organising its repainting. The Clerk advised that permission would be required as it was Grade II listed, and as it belonged to Kirklees Council. **45 Guidestoop at Kirkheaton**
- Resolved:** That an 'in principle' decision is taken to refurbish the guidestoop, subject to receipt of permissions and costings.
- Members pointed out that there were other guidestoops in the Parish, which would benefit from refurbishment. They were asked to let the Clerk have full details, so they may be considered at a future meeting.
- Resolved:** To nominate Cllr P Taylor as the keyholder for the noticeboards located in Highburton and Kirkburton. **46 Noticeboards in Kirkburton & Highburton**
- A volunteer keyholder was sought for the dog wastebag dispensers in Highburton and Kirkburton, willing to take responsibility for filling the dispensers. **47 Dog Wastebag Dispensers**
- Resolved:** To nominate Cllr Hardcastle as the keyholder for the dispensers in Highburton and Kirkburton.
- Members noted the training courses currently available. **48 Training Courses**
- Resolved:** To nominate the Clerk to attend the SLCC Regional Training Seminar on 31 July in Harrogate.
- Resolved:** To accept the offer of the Monitoring Officer to provide training on the Code of Conduct to all members.
- Resolved:** To delegate the Clerk to making bookings for any member wishing to attend a training course on the list.
- The Clerk reported that a Clerk's Report was provided at all Council meetings. She requested members to note the content. **49 Correspondence and Information**
- She reported that a few Registers of Interests (DPI forms) were still missing, and asked members to return them to her, if they had not already done so.
- To consider reinstating the Council's Annual Report
 - To consider highways issues at the junction of Penistone Road and Station Road, Fenay Bridge
 - Dog Wastebag Dispensers in Kirkheaton
- 50 Agenda Items**
- The Chairman then closed the meeting.