

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, Highburton on Thursday, 3 October 2019 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr S Beresford in the Chair

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

In attendance: Mrs A Royle.

Apologies were received from Cllrs K Middleton and P Taylor, the reasons for which were accepted by the Council. Cllr Burton apologised for having to leave early.

121 Apologies

The following personal interests were declared:

122 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Armer declared an interest in all the applications, as he is a substitute member of all of the Kirklees Council 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 an interest in the Huddersfield to Westtown (Dewsbury) Scheme and an interest due to pre-determination in Planning Appl 19/92982 as he is challenging the application. He left the meeting whilst the Council considered the application and agreed on the comment.

Cllr Barraclough declared interests in Planning Appl 19/92982 as he had been lobbied on it, and Planning Appl 93066 as he knows the applicant.

Cllr Bray declared interests in Planning Appls 19/92930 and 19/92982 as he knows the applicants.

Cllr Munro declared an interest in all the applications, as she is a substitute member of the Huddersfield 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.

Cllr Paxton declared an interest in Planning Appl 19/93091 as he knows the applicant.

Cllr Roebuck declared an interest in Planning Appl 19/93024 as the applicant is a friend.

Cllr Taylor declared an interest in all the applications, as he is a substitute member of the 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 Appls 19/929467 and 19/929982 as he knows the applicants.

A Kirkheaton resident raised concerns regarding road safety at Laneside in Kirkheaton and asked for the Parish Council's help in addressing them.

123 Public Participation

Resolved: To hold all items in the public session.

124 Admission of the Public

The Council received a presentation on the proposed development off Penistone Road in Fenay Bridge from representatives of Stonewater and ENGIE. They also answered members' questions about the scheme.

125 Proposed Development in Fenay Bridge

The Council thanked both people for attending the meeting and for providing the information. They then left the meeting.

Cllr Burton left the meeting.

- The Chairman reported that he had attended the Civic Sunday at Meltham Town Council. **126 Chairman's Appointments**
- Resolved:** To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5 September 2019, subject to an amendment at Min 96, where it should read that Cllr Armer is a substitute member of the Kirklees Planning Committees. **127 Council Minutes**
- Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Grants & Community Projects Committee meeting held on 5 September 2019. **128 Grants & CP Committee Minutes**
- Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Land & Property Committee meeting held on 19 September 2019 subject to an amendment at Minute LP21, where it should read Tree 29 and not Tree 33. **129 Land & Property Committee Minutes**
- Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Management & Finance Committee meeting held on 26 September 2019. **130 M&F Committee Minutes**
- Members considered the Kirklees Weekly Plan Lists for weeks commencing 9, 16 and 23 September 2019. **131 Plans**
- 19/92364 *Erection of detached garage with home office above and two storey rear extension and alterations to dwelling at 7 Bankside, Shelley.* There were concerns that insufficient information was available to support the application, particularly with regard to access to the property, since the road is in private ownership.
- Cllr Armer left the meeting.
- 19/92982 *Variation Condition 25 (site levels and layout) on previous permission 2014/94021 for erection of one dwelling (within a Conservation Area) at East Paddock, 3 Deer Croft, Farnley Tyas.* The Council objected to the variation and asked that the original conditions are retained, as any alteration would be detrimental to residential and visual amenity.
- Cllr Armer returned to the meeting.
- 19/93091 *Non material amendment to previous permission 2018/91256 for demolition of existing bungalow and erection of residential development of 23 dwellings at Manor House Farm, Manor House, Flockton.* The Council had serious concerns with regard to ground contamination based on the fact that food cannot be grown in the gardens of the houses on adjacent Chessington Drive. It was agreed to ask for the soil to be analysed.
- There was no comment on the following applications:
 19/92883 Kirkheaton; 19/92928 Lepton; 19/92930 Kirkburton; 19/92945 Fenay Bridge (Lepton ward); 19/92947 Kirkburton; 19/92970 Upper Hopton (Grange Moor ward); 19/92980 Kirkburton; 19/92985 Farnley Tyas; 19/92992 Shepley; 19/92996 Lepton; 19/92998 Lepton; 19/93024 Shepley; 19/93030 Highburton; 19/93044 Almondbury (Thurstonland /FT ward); 19/93066 Stocksmoor; 19/93079 Kirkburton; 19/93093 Thurstonland; 19/93094 Thurstonland; 19/93101 Highburton; 19/93107 Shepley; 19/93133 Flockton (Grange Moor ward) and 19/93136 Shepley.
- There were no planning appeals before the Council. **132 Planning Appeals**
- Resolved:** To approve the accounts as presented (£8,052.63 inc £2,963.00 agreed under LGA 1972 s137). **133 Accounts**
- Members noted the information provided with regard to the proposed new noticeboard and the request from the community that an additional one is provided near to the new Flockton Working Men's Club on Barnsley Road. **134 New Noticeboard in Flockton**
- Resolved:** To provide a new noticeboard in Flockton to be installed by the new Flockton Working Men's Club on Barnsley Road, and that the 2 Flockton Councillors will be keyholders.

Members noted the poster giving hints and tips on cutting heating bills, and considered how to publicise the information.

135 Energy Saving Tips

Resolved: To put the information on the website and have copies printed for insertion into the noticeboards. Also to refer the subject to the Environment and Climate Change Committee to develop further.

Members considered the consultation documents supplied by Network Rail on the Huddersfield to Westtown (Dewsbury) Scheme.

136 Huddersfield to Westtown (Dewsbury) Rail Scheme

Resolved: To submit the following comments: To broadly welcome the scheme, which would bring benefits to the local passengers when it had been completed, but to acknowledge that the closure of Colne Bridge Road would cause problems whilst it was under construction, and request that the timing of this is kept to a minimum. Also to raise attention to the fact that Colne Bridge was often used to access the track, and request that measures are put in place to reduce this occurring in the future.

Members considered the highways road safety issues currently of concern on Laneside in Kirkheaton and noted the comments made by the member of the public at the start of the meeting regarding high speed traffic along a road, which has few pavements and is used by pedestrians and horse riders. A debate took place on the various measures which could be used to improve the situation.

137 Traffic Issues in Laneside in Kirkheaton

Resolved: To write to the Dalton Kirklees Councillors requesting that the start of the 30 mph limit is moved further away from the houses, so that motorists have time to reduce their speed before passing through the residential area, and that more signage is installed to raise motorists' awareness of the presence of horse riders and pedestrians.

Cllr Cooper entered the meeting.

Members noted the written report from the Clerk, which had been circulated at the meeting. Members who had been on the Council prior to the elections, were requested to collect a Staff Appraisal Pack. The Clerk also notified members that the poppy wreaths would be distributed at the next meeting.

138 Correspondence and Information

Members were notified of the "Ask Shelley" consultation currently being carried out by Kirklees Council and Shelley Community Association.

- To consider the issue of land allocated for the Flockton Bypass.

139 Agenda Items

The Chairman then closed the meeting.