

**KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL****Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on  
Thursday 1 December 2022 at 7.30 pm at Burton Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllr J Cowan (in the chair)

Cllrs B Armer, R Barraclough, S Beresford, A Booth, R Bray, P Brook, R Burton, P Cunnington, S Duffy, D Hardcastle, D Knight, A McCaig, J Paxton, B Smith, J Spivey, J Taylor, P Taylor and C Walters.

Officer in attendance: Mrs A Royle.

**Min 111 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs T Moores, A Munro and J Roebuck. Cllrs A Cooper and M Wheelhouse were absent.

**Min 112 Declarations of Interest**

The following declarations of interest were made:

Cllr Armer declared an interest in all planning applications as he is a member of Kirklees' Strategic Planning Committee and a reserve member of the Heavy Woollen and Huddersfield 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 also declared an interest in the pre-application consultations in Thunderbridge and Colne Bridge, as they may be considered by the Kirklees Committee.

Cllr J Taylor declared an interest in all planning applications as he is a reserve 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.

Cllr P Taylor declared an interest in Planning Application 22/93641, as he knows the applicant.

**Min 113 Public Participation**

No-one addressed the Council before the meeting.

**Min 114 Admission of the Public**

**Resolved:** To hold the meeting in the public session.

**Min 115 Civic Appointments**

The Chairman reported he had not attended any events since the last meeting. Cllr Hardcastle reported that he had attended the Kirkburton Scouts AGM in his capacity as immediate past Chairman, as the event had clashed with the Council's Grants Committee meeting.

**Min 116 Council Minutes**

**Resolved:** To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 3 November 2022.

**Min 117 Land and Property Committee Minutes**

**Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 3 November 2022.

**Min 118 Grants and Community Projects Committee Minutes**

**Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 17 November 2022, subject to the following amendments: removal of Shepley Junior Cricket Club and Shepley Spring Festival from the list of small annual grants awarded (Min CG37). Also the grant amount recommended to Shepley & District Naturalists' Society and Shepley Scout Council – Scouts was £300 in both cases.

**Min 119 Plans**

Members considered the Kirklees Weekly Plan Lists for weeks commencing 31 October, 7, 14 and 21 November 2022.

*App No 22/93642 Discharge of Conditions 5 (Visibility Splay), 6 (Replanting Plan) and 8 (Car Parking Management Plan) on previous Permission No. 2022/90505 for change of use of agricultural land to Sui Generis for private dog walking with associated works on land adjacent to Moor Top Lane, Flockton.*

The Council objected on the grounds of highways safety as the access is very close to Long Lane, which would make parking difficult.

There was no comment on the following applications:

22/93498 Shelley; 22/93508 Lepton; 22/93521 Kirkburton; 22/93523 Lepton;  
22/93546 Shepley; 22/93547 Kirkheaton; 22/93578 Kirkheaton; 22/93632 Kirkburton;  
22/93641 Kirkburton; 22/93654 Thurstonland; 22/93675 Kirkburton;  
22/93676 Lepton (GM ward); 22/93683 Kirkheaton; 22/93686 Lepton; 22/93693 Shelley;  
22/93807 Shepley and 22/93829 Shepley.

**Min 121 Pre-Application Consultation: Proposed Telecommunications Installation Upgrade in Colne Bridge**

**Resolved:** To note the consultation.

**Min 122 Pre-Application Consultation: Proposed Base Station Installation at Box Ings Lane, Thunderbridge**

**Resolved:** To note the consultation.

**Min 123 Accounts**

**Resolved:** To approve the accounts as presented (£30,827.07 including £7,558.80 agreed under LGA 1972 s137).

**Min 124 Laneside Landfill Community Trust**

Members noted that Cllr Walters had resigned from the Trust as the Council's representative and considered nominating a replacement.

**Resolved:** To elect Cllr McCaig as the Council's representative on the Trust.

**Min 125 Parliamentary Constituency Boundary Review**

Members considered the proposed boundary changes.

**Resolved:** To submit the following comments: To express concerns with regard to dividing the Council area into 4 constituencies, which would make it more difficult for the Council to engage with its MP's; and the local residents have no affinity with the new constituencies, particularly the Spen Valley. Also to suggest naming the new constituency Agbrigg instead of Wakefield West and Denby Dale CC, as the latter is too wordy, and the new proposal is a historic name to which local people can relate.

**Min 126 Shepley Cricket Club**

Members considered the small annual grant application, which had been received by the Council before the deadline, but had been omitted from the committee's documentation.

**Resolved:** To award a small annual grant of £300 to Shepley Cricket Club.

**Min 127 Correspondence and Information**

Members noted the written report, which was distributed at the meeting. Members particularly noted the office closure and the arrangements for staff annual leave.

**Min 128 Annual Meetings in May 2023**

The Clerk reported that Shepley Methodist Church had been booked for the Annual Meetings. She thanked Cllr J Taylor for making the enquiries at the venues suggested at the last meeting.

**Min 128 Agenda Items**

The following items were requested:

- To consider allowing Cllr Paxton to use the Village Improvement Funding allocation available due to the current vacancy.
- To consider contacting the developer in connection with a dangerous footpath at Laneside Quarry. Cllr Walters agreed to supply the necessary details.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending, wished members a Happy Christmas and closed the meeting.