

## KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 5<sup>th</sup> JULY 2007 AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr Holroyd in the Chair

Cllrs R Barraclough, R Bottomley, A Cooper, S Dunford, K Dunn, D Hardcastle, J Heward, J Hirst, E Hutchinson, M MacDonald, J Myers, J Paxton, H Seymour and M Sykes.

Prior to the meeting members of the public addressed the Council on the subject of the bus changes with particular reference to Shelley College.

Mr Nick Wild of KMC Planning Services gave a presentation in respect of the planning application for additional student accommodation at Storthes Hall, Kirkburton.

Apologies were received from Cllrs H Barraclough, R Burton, A Cruden, P Cunnington, G Hickey, B Moreton, P Rock and J Taylor, the reasons for which were accepted by the Council. 72    **Apologies and  
Declarations of  
Interest**

Cllr Myers declared a personal interest in the community centre at Grange Moor as he is Vice Chairman of the Grange Moor Community Action Group.

Cllr Dunn declared a prejudicial interest in the planning application at Storthes Hall as he is employed by the developer. He left the meeting whilst the Council discussed the application and decided upon the comments.

The Chairman reported she had attended the Mayor Making at Kirklees MC and Civic Sundays at Saddleworth Parish Council and Kirklees MC. 73    **Chairman's  
Appointments**

**Resolved:** To accept the Parish Council minutes of 21<sup>st</sup> June 2007 as a true record. 74    **Council Minutes**

Cllr Hutchinson passed on information to the Council with regard to an enquiry he has been pursuing in identifying responsibility for a collapsed boundary wall. He agreed to pass the documents to the Clerk. 75    **Kirkheaton  
Committee (Min 61)**

07/62/91502 *Erection of 318 student bed accommodation and extension to arboretum to provide ancillary facilities at Storthes Hall Student Village, Storthes Hall Park, Storthes Hall Lane, Kirkburton.* The Council questioned the need for additional accommodation and raised concerns in respect of highways, renewable energy, and the provision of recycling facilities. The Council also stated that the materials must be inkeeping with the existing development and surrounding area and requested information regarding the use of the section of the site identified as Huddersfield Town FC, immediately adjacent to the area under consideration. 76    **Plans**

07/62/92296 *Erection of 2 storey extension at 3 Bar Green, Kirkheaton.* The Council objected to this proposed development on the grounds that it would be too close to the neighbouring property.

07/62/92298 *Demolition of existing dwelling and outbuilding and erection of 1 no detached dwelling at Woodley Villa, 6 Beldon Brook Green, Fenay Bridge.* The Council made no comment since it was noted that the development is on the footprint of previous buildings.

07/62/92511 *Use of existing takeaway to operate 1 minibuss and 2 taxi private hire vehicles at Pizza Verona, 5 Heaton Moor Road, Kirkheaton.* The Council objected on highways' grounds as this is located by a busy junction and there is insufficient safe parking for the vehicles.

There was no comment made on the following applications:  
92335 Lepton; 92384 Kirkburton; 92393 Houses Hill; 92411 Shepley; 92431 Shelley;  
92435 Lascelles Hall; 92450 Grange Moor; 92507 Shepley; 92522 Lepton; 92544 Shelley;  
92560 Shepley; 92571 Kirkburton and 92584 Fenay Bridge.

76 **Plans (Cont'd)**

Comment on the following applications was deferred pending receipt of the plans:  
92392 Kirkheaton; 92432 Shepley; 92508 Kirkheaton and 92604 Lepton.

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

77 **Planning Appeals**

Members noted the correspondence from the appellant in support of the application.

78 **Public Inquiry at  
Croftlands in  
Kirkburton**

**Resolved:** To object to the application on the grounds that although the Council recognises there is a need for additional care facilities in this area, such facilities should be provided on brownfield sites in the area, rather than on Green Belt land.

**Resolved:** To approve the accounts as presented (£3,849.05 including £1,500 approved under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972).

79 **Accounts**

It was reported that in future there would be no planning meetings prior to Kirkburton Area Committee meetings. However, Cllr Hardcastle stated he was willing to meet with Parish Councillors prior to Area Committee meetings, if they wished.

80 **Kirkburton Area  
Committee**

**Resolved:** To invite Cllr Murphy and Cllr Smith to attend the meetings.

**Resolved:** To ask Planning Officers to provide more specific information on planning applications making reference to UDP Policies rather than personal opinion.

81 **Planning Comments**

Members discussed the proposal for the creation of a sensory garden at Shelley Village Hall. It was reported there was to be a meeting with the contractor on site the following day, to which all members were invited.

82 **Sensory Garden at  
Shelley Village Hall**

**Resolved:** To obtain further information, particularly with regard to the insurance and to discuss the matter further at the next meeting.

The Clerk advised that the application for a clock grant was within the Council's rules.

83 **Clock Grant**

**Resolved:** To award a grant of £100 to St Lucius Church in Farnley Tyas for the maintenance of the clock.

Members noted the information regarding micro-generation equipment on domestic properties.

84 **Micro-Generation  
Equipment**

Members noted that although the traffic-calming measures put in place in Kirkheaton were working, Highways had failed to address similar problems in the lower half of the village, despite the Parish Council's comments to this effect during the consultation period. It was reported that there were still problems of speeding traffic and poor sightlines in this area of the village.

85 **Traffic Calming in  
Kirkheaton**

**Resolved:** To ask Highways for similar traffic-calming measures to be taken in the lower half of the village.

Members noted the situation with regard to the proposed new community building in Grange Moor.

86 **Community Centre  
in Grange Moor**

**Resolved:** To defer this item to the next meeting.

The Clerk advised members on the subject of personal and prejudicial interests and explained the implications of Clause 12(2).

87 **Revised Code of  
Conduct**

**Resolved:** To adopt the revised Model Code of Conduct including Clause 12(2).  
Members were advised that they were required to fill in an additional Register of Interests and to submit it to the Clerk within the next 28 days.

**Resolved:** To nominate Cllr MacDonald and Cllr Paxton to attend the Yorkshire Planning

88 **Yorkshire Planning**

Aid Information Day on 14<sup>th</sup> July in Selby, and to cover their travelling costs.

**Aid Training Event**

**Resolved:** To nominate Cllr Cunnington to attend the YLCA Annual Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> July in York and to cover his travelling costs.

**89 YLCA Annual Meeting**

**Resolved:** To nominate the Clerk to attend the SLCC Annual Conference from 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October in Coventry.

**90 SLCC Annual Conference**

The Chairman reported that planning permission and building regulations approval was needed at Shelley Village Hall for the alterations/construction of ramps at both entrances of the Hall, and the demolition of the porch at the rear of the building. She also reported that the Clerk had obtained the necessary drawings and had lodged the applications as required. It was noted that this would delay the start of the contracts.

**91 Contract at Shelley Village Hall**

Members noted the Clerk's Report as distributed at the meeting.

**92 Clerk's Report**

The Clerk reported her leave arrangements to the Council.

**93 Clerk's Leave**

- To request speed cameras in Flockton following several road traffic accidents

**94 Agenda Items for Future Meetings**

The Clerk was asked to respond to Highways under delegated authority to check which power was being used to temporarily divert the footpath by the Whitley Willows and to raise the matter with the Public Rights of Way Unit.

**95 Whitley Willows Footpath**

The meeting then closed.