

## KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 2<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY 2012 AT 7.30 pm

These minutes are subject to confirmation of accuracy at the Council meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012.

PRESENT: Cllr S Dunford in the Chair

Cllrs M Atkinson, H Barraclough, R Barraclough, S Beresford, N Berry, P Brook, R Burton, A Cooper, P Cunnington, K Dunn, D Hardcastle, J Hirst, L Parsley, J Paxton, M Pitts, M Sykes, C Whittingham and B Wightman  
Officers in attendance: Mrs R Perry, Mrs A Royle

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| <p>Apologies were received from Cllrs B Armer, A Munro and S Triggs the reasons for which were accepted by the Council.</p>   | <p><b>236 Apologies and Declarations of Interest</b></p> |
| <p>The following personal interests were declared: Cllr M Atkinson in Item 9a and b as she is the Project Manager for the Parish Walks project; Cllr H Barraclough in planning application 93400 as she knows the applicant; Cllr R Barraclough in Item 13 as he is a director of EPIP; Cllr N Berry in planning application 90222 as he attends this church; Cllr M Sykes in Item 9a and b as he is the Vice Chair of the local league of EPIP; Cllr B Wightman in planning application 90107 as he is related to the applicant.</p> |  |
| <p>Inspector Dave Barnett addressed the Council and gave information on incidents in the Parish.</p>  | <p><b>237 Public Participation</b></p>                   |
| <p><b>Resolved:</b> To hold all items in the public session.</p>  | <p><b>238 Admission of the Public</b></p>                |
| <p>Members received a detailed verbal report from Mrs Carol Stump, Kirklees Chief Librarian, on the current Kirklees proposals regarding the four libraries in the Parish (Shepley, Kirkburton, Kirkheaton and Lepton).</p>   | <p><b>239 Libraries</b></p>                              |
| <p>It was reported that the Chairman had attended Saddleworth Civic Dinner and the Launch of the Community-Led Plan at Kirkheaton.</p>  | <p><b>240 Chairman's Appointment</b></p>                 |
| <p><b>Resolved:</b> To accept and adopt the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> January 2012 as a true record.</p>  | <p><b>241 Council Minutes</b></p>                        |
| <p><b>Resolved:</b> To agree and adopt the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2012 as an accurate record.</p>   | <p><b>242 Environment Committee Minutes</b></p>          |
| <p><b>Resolved:</b> To agree the notes of the Shows &amp; Events Working Party meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2012 subject to the following amendments: Item SW10: Recommended: To have the Highburton to Lepton circular walk as the Chairman's Charity walk and to have the Jubilee Walk around all the guidestoops.</p>   | <p><b>243 Shows &amp; Working Events Party Notes</b></p> |
| <p><b>Resolved:</b> To raise Standing Order No 11a in order to discuss the following items, as it is less than six months since the Council last discussed and agreed the EPIP grant application.</p>   | <p><b>244 Jubilee Walk &amp; Plaques</b></p>             |
| <p><b>Resolved:</b> To note the information received from EPIP regarding lodging a grant application to install/engrave plaques on the guidestoops and to widen the EPIP grant application to cover the Parish Jubilee Walk and to take any required match-funding from the Environment budget 2012/13.</p>   |  |
| <p><b>Resolved:</b> To reinstate Standing Order No 11a</p>  |  |

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- Resolved:** To use the £5000 Diamond Jubilee budget to offer as grants to each of the 9 villages named on the Council's coat of arms, with the remaining £500 being kept as a contingency. The Thurstonland/Farnley Tyas ward's £1,000 to be divided into 3 so as to include Stocksmoor.
- 245 Diamond Jubilee Grants**
- Resolved:** To accept the draft form as presented subject to the above notified amendment in the Thurstonland/Farnley Tyas ward and the removal of the second paragraph and the Councillor signature section on the second page.
- 90127 Junction of Crossley Lane & School Lane, Kirkheaton Telecommunications.* The Council strongly objected to this application on highways safety grounds as it would be a distraction to drivers, detrimental to street scene and it is at the start of the Fenay Greenway. Members requested that if this application is approved it is developed in a manner inkeeping with the surrounding countryside.
- 246 Plans**
- There was no comment on the following applications:  
2011/93400 Thurstonland; 90050 Shelley; 90068 Kirkheaton; 90078 Shepley; 90107 Lascelles Hall; 90125 Shelley; 90181 Stocksmoor; 90185 Grange Moor; 90222 Kirkburton.
- There were no planning appeals before the Council.
- 247 Planning Appeals**
- Resolved:** To approve the accounts as presented (£10,410.94).
- 248 Accounts**
- The Clerk showed members the new website and explained how it had all been put together. The Clerk reported that there were still a number of items and functionalities to be completed before it could go live, but it was hoped to have these finished in the near future.
- 249 a) Council's New Website & Twitter Account**
- The Clerk also updated members on Twitter and demonstrated the account. The Council had 41 followers at the time of the meeting. The Clerk asked members to let her have any information they wished to be put up on the site.
- The EPIP Tourism website covers Denby Dale and Kirkburton Parish Council and lists the major attractions of the area, historic churches, walks, accommodation, food and drink. The Clerk currently spends 2 hours a month updating this website which Council has already agreed to, the cost for which is covered by EPIP. Members considered covering 50% of the hosting cost (£70) funded from the Public Information budget.
- 250 b) EPIP Tourism Website**
- Resolved:** To cover 50% of the hosting cost from the Public Information budget provided that Denby Dale Parish Council reciprocates.
- Members received a demonstration of the new website built for digitalized archives in both Kirkburton and Denby Dale and considered if Kirkburton wanted to share eventual ownership of the site.
- 251 c) EPIP Archive Site**
- Resolved:** To continue to be involved in this project and to follow progress
- Resolved:** To approve the Clerk's attendance at the EPIP website training course on 13<sup>th</sup> February in Penistone.
- 252 d) EPIP Website Training Course**
- Resolved:** To hold two competitions for the Best Allotment at both Grange Moor and Shepley to be judged by the owner of the Horticulture in Overton and to confirm sponsorship arrangements and judging criteria with the organisation.
- 253 Best Allotment Competition**
- Resolved:** To appoint the Holme Valley Gardening Network to hold a 6 week course of 2 hours per week at Grange Moor allotments, open to all allotment holders, with members/staff able to take up any vacant places. To take place during April / May.
- 254 Fruit & Vegetable Gardening Workshop**
- Resolved:** To purchase two woodcrete boxes for installation at Grange Moor allotments (subject to landlord's permission and professional advice).
- 255 Bat Boxes**

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Members were updated on the current situation at the allotments. It was reported that warning signs were needed to alert people to the standing water and that the Clerk had taken advice regarding Health and Safety. Members agreed that as well as warning signs it would be advisable to install a fence to try to keep people away from the water.

**256 Grange Moor Allotments**

**Resolved:** The Clerk organises the supply and erection of a fence under delegated authority.

A request was made that the next liaison meeting takes place at the allotments to engage with the tenants and gauge satisfaction with the current situation. It was agreed that the Clerk could organise the meeting under delegated authority.

Members noted the Clerk's Report which had been circulated at the meeting and were asked to note that the office will be closed on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February.

**257 Correspondence and Information**

The Administrative Support Officer gave members an update on the Dog Fouling project. Schools have been contacted about the poster competition and an article has been submitted to all the village magazines, explaining what the project is and how residents can be involved.

No items were requested.

**258 Agenda Items**

The meeting then closed.