

**KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON THURSDAY, 20th JUNE 2013 AT 7.30 pm
AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr Wightman in the Chair

Mr T Scott (KHCA), Cllrs B Armer, R Barraclough, S Beresford, R Burton, A Cooper, P Cunnington, D Hardcastle, J Hirst, A Munro, J Paxton, M Pitts and C Whittingham.

In attendance: Mrs R Perry and Mrs A Royle

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| Resolved: To elect Cllr Ben Wightman as Chairman for the year 2013/14. | E1 Election of Chairman for 2013-14 |
| Resolved: To elect Cllr Ian Lumb as Vice Chairman for the year 2012-13 | E2 Election of Vice Chairman for 2013-14 |
| Resolved: To elect Mr Tim Scott, Kirkburton and Highburton Community Association as a co-opted member for 2013-14. | E3 Election of Co-opted Members for 2013-14 |
| Resolved: To write to Kirklees thanking them for the work Mr Neil Windett has done over the years. | |
| Resolved: To request the name of another representative from Kirklees Countryside Department who would be prepared to advice the Council and also to invite to meetings | |
| Apologies were received from Cllrs P Brook, P Pankhurst and L Parsley the reasons for which were accepted. | E4 Apologies and Declarations of Interest |
| There were no members of the public present. | E5 Public Participation |
| Resolved: To hold all the items in the public session. | E6 Public Admission |
| Resolved: To note the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting on 21 st March 2013. | E7 Minutes |
| Members noted the year's budget and latest financial statement dated 10 th June 2013. | E8 Budget 2013-14 |
| Members considered the project form which gave full information of how the project will be run including costings and had a lengthy discussion. It was noted that the use of water meters should be promoted while this scheme is running especially to single use households. | E9 Funding Proposals |
| Cllr Hardcastle entered the meeting. | |
| Recommendation: To accept the proposal as presented but water butts to be awarded randomly to the first 50 residents who apply. | |
| Recommendation: Residents who received a Parish Council or Kirklees water butt (via the Parish Council) in 2008 will not be eligible to receive another water butt in this scheme. | |
| Members received a verbal report on the Coronation Gates which had been recently found and considered whether to obtain further information and more detailed costings. | E10 b) Coronation Gates, Shelley Recreation Ground |
| Recommendation: Cllr Ian Lumb to complete a project form listing costings and providing full details of the repairs needed. | |
| Recommendation: This matter to be discussed further at a future Environment Committee meeting when full information is available. | |

These minutes are subject to confirmation of accuracy and adoption at the Council meeting on 4th July 2013

<p>Members considered awarding a £30 garden centre voucher and a rosette to the winners at both Grange Moor and Shepley allotments and a £15 garden centre voucher and a rosette to the runners up at both Grange Moor and Shepley allotments.</p>	<p>E11 c) Allotment Competition</p>
<p>Recommendation: To award a £30 garden centre voucher and a rosette to the winners at both Grange Moor and Shepley allotments and a £15 garden centre voucher and a rosette to the runners up at both Grange Moor and Shepley allotments.</p>	
<p>Recommendation: The following members were elected to serve on the Fruit Trees Working Party:</p>	<p>E12 Fruit Tree Working Party 2012-13</p>
<p>Cllr Robert Barraclough; Cllr Richard Burton; Cllr Andrew Cooper; Cllr John Hirst; Cllr Ian Lumb; Cllr A Munro; Cllr Cass Whittingham and Cllr Ben Wightman.</p>	
<p>Members received a verbal report from the Clerk on the progress of the workshops. The next session is a visit to Royds Hall on the theme of Getting the Most Our of Your Greenhouse and a further one is due to take place shortly about Pest Control. There has been a lot of interest from the allotment tenants.</p>	<p>E13 Fruit & Vegetable Workshops</p>
<p>Members considered the responses received.</p>	<p>E14 Environment Plan Consultation</p>
<p>Recommendation: To note the responses received.</p>	
<p>Members considered the possibility of a community-led project relating to growing produce and swapping seeds. A similar project is running very successfully in Newsome.</p>	<p>E15 New Projects</p>
<p>Recommendation: To invite the Newsome representative to a future Environment Committee meeting to discuss further.</p>	
<p>Resolved: To hold committee meetings on 19th September, 17th October, 16th January and 20th March.</p>	<p>E16 Meeting Dates for the Year</p>
<p>Members were asked to supply the Assistant Clerk with full details and information of all items required on the next agenda by 6th September 2013.</p>	<p>E17 Items for the Next Agenda</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating a new Eco-Park at Kirkburton Middle School • Fruit Tree planting update 	
<p>There was no correspondence to report.</p>	<p>E18 Correspondence / Information</p>
<p>A vote of thanks was given to Cllr Alison Munro for the last 2 years of service she has given as Chairman of the Environment Committee.</p>	
<p>The meeting then closed.</p>	