KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BURTON VILLAGE HALL, HIGHBURTON ON THURSDAY, 5 JANUARY 2017 AT 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr R Burton in the Chair

Cllrs M Ackroyd, B Armer, R Barraclough, S Beresford, A Boden, R Bray, J Cowan, P Cunnington, R Franks, D Hardcastle, L Holroyd, B McGuin, A Munro, J Paxton, J Roebuck, C Rowatt, J Sykes, M Sykes and J Taylor. Officer in attendance: Mrs A Royle.

The Chairman opened the meeting by wishing everyone a Happy New Year.

Apologies were received from Cllrs H Abid, P Brook and P McGleenan, the reasons for which were accepted by the Council. Cllrs K Dunn and C Walker were absent.

157 Apologies

The following personal interests were declared:

Cllr Beresford in planning applications 16/93998 and 93025 as he knows the applicants; Cllr Bray in planning application 16/93878 as he knows the applicant; Cllr Munro in planning application 16/93970 as she knows the applicant; Cllr Paxton in planning application 16/94257 as he is a life member of the Club.

158 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Armer declared an interest in all the applications, as he is a member of the Kirklees Strategic Planning Committee and a substitute member of the Heavy Woollen and Huddersfield 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 applications 16/94208 and 16/94257 as he knows members of the Club, and in the CCTV in licensed vehicles consultation as he is a member of the Kirklees Licensing Committee.

Cllr McGuin declared an interest in all the applications, as he is a member of the Huddersfield Planning Committee and substitute member of the Kirklees Strategic Planning Committee and 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 CCTV in licensed vehicles consultation as he is a member of the Kirklees Licensing Committee.

Cllr Taylor declared an interest in all the applications, as he attends 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.

No members of the public addressed the Council.

159 Public Participation

Resolved: To hold all items in the public session.

160 Admission of the Public

The Chairman reported that he had attended the Holme Valley Parish Council Civic Sunday and that the Vice Chairman had attended the Lepton Luncheon Club's Christmas Lunch.

161 Chairman's Appointments

Cllr Hardcastle entered the meeting.

Resolved: To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 1 December 2016, subject to the inclusion of Cllr Munro's declaration of interest in the Kirkheaton Neighbourhood Plan.

162 Council Minutes

Resolved: To accept and adopt the minutes of the Land & Property Committee meeting held on 3 November 2016.

163 Land & Property Committee Minutes **Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Library Committee meeting held on 1 December 2016.

164 Library Committee Minutes

Members considered the Kirklees Weekly Plan Lists for weeks commencing 28 November, 5, 12, 19 and 26 December 2016.

165 Plans

Planning Application 16/93935 Demolition of existing petrol station and erection of 4 retail and residential units (within a Conservation Area) (modified proposal) at the former Petrol Station, North Road, Kirkburton. The Council had concerns that the parking provision was inadequate and requested that time constraints are imposed on the parking places as there is already an identified lack of parking in Kirkburton. The Council also asked that the developer be required to finance a pedestrian crossing on North Road to address the road safety issues.

Planning Application 16/94073 Demolition of existing commercial buildings and agricultural building and erection of detached dwelling at Woodend Farm, Wood Lane, Thurstonland. As this is a complex application the Council asked for it to be referred to the Kirklees Planning Committee for determination.

Planning Application 16/94257 Formation of pedestrian access ramp at Flockton Green Working Men's Club, Barnsley Road, Flockton. The Council objected on highways grounds.

There was no comment on the following applications:

16/93878 Fenay Bridge; 16/93881 Kirkburton; 16/93919 Kirkheaton; 16/93970 Kirkheaton; 16/93998 Lepton; 16/94003 Fenay Bridge; 16/94025 Lepton; 16/94041 Grange Moor; 16/94047 Shelley; 16/94065 Lepton; 16/94105 Lepton; 16/94123 Kirkheaton; 16/94136 Fenay Bridge; 16/94138 Shepley; 16/94142 Kirkburton; 16/94161 Grange Moor; 16/94165 Stocksmoor; 16/94197 Fenay Bridge; 16/94204 Fenay Bridge; 16/94208 Flockton; 16/94209 Fenay Bridge and 16/94215 Kirkburton.

There were no planning appeals before the Council.

166 Planning Appeals

Resolved: To approve the accounts as presented (£19,101.05).

167 Accounts

Resolved: To accept and adopt the Receipts & Payments Statement and to note the cheque register covering the period 1 April to 30 September 2016.

Resolved: To note the Public Sector Deposit Fund review of the period 1 April to 30 September 2016.

Members considered the consultation document covering the mandatory introduction of CCTV in private hire and hackney carriages licensed by Kirklees Council.

168 CCTV in Licensed Vehicles

Resolved: To submit the following comments: The Council supports the initiative as it is beneficial for both passengers and drivers, but would prefer to see the on-off switch located remotely, away from reach of the driver's seat. There should also be audio recordings.

Members noted the health & safety seminar to be provided by the Local Council Advisory Service.

169 LCAS Seminar

Members noted the correspondence received regarding ambulance response times.

170 Ambulance Response Times

Resolved: To write to the Chief Executive of the Yorkshire Ambulance Service (cc Chairman of Kirklees Scrutiny Committee) enquiring about the current response times in the HD8 post code area, and if they are below target, enquire what measures are being put in place to address the issue.

Members noted the written report from the Clerk, which had been circulated at the meeting. Members were asked to note particularly her annual leave and the office closure. Members expressed concern at the theft of stone from Kirkheaton Churchyard and the subsequent accident. They asked that the Clerk does not use her delegated authority to deal with the matter, but instead refers it to the Land & Property Committee when information on the options is available.

171 Correspondence and Information

No agenda items were requested.

172 Agenda Items

The Chairman then closed the meeting.