KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held via 'Zoom' on Thursday, 7 January 2021 at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllr D Hardcastle in the Chair

Cllrs B Armer, R Barraclough, A Booth, R Bray, P Brook, R Burton, A Cooper, J Cowan, P Cunnington, S Duffy, D Knight, K Middleton, T Moores, A Munro, B Smith, J Spivey, J Taylor, P Taylor, C Walters and M Wheelhouse.

Officer in Attendance: Mrs A Royle

Min 136 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and wished everyone a Happy New Year. He reminded them of the procedures regarding voting in virtual meetings and stated that the meeting would be recorded and the recording would be discarded when the Clerk had written the minutes.

Min 137 Apologies and Declarations of Interest

Apologies were received from Cllrs S Beresford and J Paxton. Cllrs R Battye and J Roebuck were absent.

The following declarations of interest were made:

Cllr Armer declared an interest in all the applications, as he is a member of the Kirklees Huddersfield Planning Committee and a substitute member of the other 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 Munro declared a personal interest in all the applications, as she is a substitute member of the Kirklees Planning Committees. She 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 Taylor declared an interest in all the applications, as he is a member of the Kirklees Heavy Woollen Planning Committee. 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.

Min 138 Public Participation

No members of the public addressed the Council before the meeting.

Min 139 Admission of the Public

Resolved: To hold the meeting in the public session.

Min 140 Civic Appointments

The Chairman reported that there had been no civic appointments since the last meeting. He thanked the Councillors who had attended the Remembrance Day Services and laid wreaths on behalf of the Council. Members of the public had expressed their appreciation of this, despite the current difficult conditions.

Min 141 Council Minutes

Resolved: To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2020.

Min 142 Plans

Members considered the Kirklees Plan Lists for weeks commencing 30 November, 7, 14, 21 and 28 December 2020.

20/94218 Demolition of existing garage and dormer, erection of extensions and dormer and external alterations at 6 Station Road, Stocksmoor.

Resolved: To delegate the Clerk to submit a comment when the Councillors have had the opportunity to look into the proposals.

There was no comment on the following applications:

20/93877 Flockton; 20/93914 Lepton; 20/93948 Lepton; 20/93997; 20/94020 Flockton; 20/94045 Shelley; 20/94052 Grange Moor; 20/94069 Shepley; 20/94104 Grange Moor; 20/94145 Grange Moor; 20/94170 Kirkburton; 20/94176 Kirkburton; 20/94235 Shepley; 20/94255 Flockton; 20/94298 Highburton; 20/94312 Highburton; 20/94334 Highburton; 20/94396 Shepley and 20/94398 Shepley.

Cllr J Spivey entered the meeting.

Min 143 Accounts

Resolved: To approve the accounts as presented (£18,214.23 including £235 agreed under Local Government Act 1972 s137).

Min 144 Funding for Hanging Baskets

Members noted the written report circulated with the meeting papers regarding the hanging baskets and the means of funding them in the past, and considered the funding of the baskets for Summer 2021. The Clerk was asked to check if the compost would be peat free.

Resolved: To apply for funding to the Kirklees Local Project Funds to contribute towards the costs of the baskets in the Kirklees Kirkburton ward, Lepton and Kirkheaton.

Min 145 Grange Moor Noticeboard

Members considered the information circulated with regard to the proposal for a doublesided noticeboard to be sited adjacent to the recreation ground and the bus stop, which would increase the usage.

Resolved: To purchase a double-sided noticeboard to be installed by the bus stop and adjacent to the new garden on the recreation ground up to a maximum cost of £850 excluding fees and installation costs.

Min 146 Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan

Members noted the consultation being carried out by Kirklees Council under Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

Resolved: To note the information and not to submit a comment.

Min 147 YLCA Training Sessions

Members noted the information circulated with the agenda detailing all of the courses available. Members were requested to let the Clerk know if they wished to attend any of the sessions.

Resolved: To delegate the Clerk to make bookings as requested.

Min 148 Correspondence and Information

Members noted the written report from the Clerk, which had been emailed to members before the meeting.

The Clerk drew members' attention to the deadline for submitting applications to the Village Improvement Fund, which is Friday 12 February, as this is the last opportunity to put forward projects for this financial year.

She also reported that the wall repair at Kirkheaton Churchyard was finished, and that the contractor had completed ahead of schedule and done more than required at no extra cost. The people from the Parish Church had sent sincere thanks to the Council for having the work completed.

Min 149 Agenda Items

• To look at the impact Covid-19 has had on the local residents.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting.