

KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Burton Village Hall, Highburton on Thursday, 6 January 2022 at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllr D Hardcastle in the Chair

Cllrs B Armer, R Barraclough, R Bray, P Brook, R Burton, A Cooper, J Cowan, P Cunnington, A McCaig, T Moores, A Munro, C Myles, J Paxton, J Roebuck, B Smith, J Spivey, J Taylor, P Taylor and M Wheelhouse.

Officer in Attendance: Mrs A Royle.

The Chairman opened the meeting and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Min 129 Apologies and Declarations of Interest

Apologies were received from Cllrs S Beresford, A Booth, S Duffy, D Knight and C Walters.

The following declarations of interest were made:

Cllr Armer declared interests in all of the planning applications as he is a member of the Kirklees Huddersfield Planning Sub-Committee and a reserve member of the Kirklees Heavy Woollen and Strategic Planning Sub-Committees. He also declared interests in Planning Applications 21/94381 as he has advised neighbours on the application, and 21/94602 and 21/94724 as he has already commented as a Kirklees Councillor. He left the meeting when the latter 3 applications were debated by the Council.

Cllr Barraclough declared an interest in Planning Application 21/84624 as he knows the applicant. He left the meeting when it was debated by the Council.

Cllr Bray declared an interest in Planning Application 21/94641, as he knows the applicant.

Cllr Cowan declared an interest in Planning Application 21/94621, as he knows the applicant.

Cllr Munro declared an interest in all of the applications, as she is a reserve member of the Heavy Woollen and Huddersfield Planning Sub-Committees and the Strategic Planning Committee. 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. She also declared interests in the Lepton Master Plan and the item on the proposals for development in Lepton Great Wood, as she has commented on both subjects.

Cllr John Taylor declared an interest in all of the applications, as he is a reserve member of the Heavy Woollen and Huddersfield Planning Sub-Committees and the Strategic 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. He also declared an interest in Planning Application 21/94731 as he knows the applicant.

Min 130 Public Participation

No members of the public addressed the Council.

Min 131 Admission of the Public

Resolved: To hold the meeting in the public session.

Cllr Munro left the meeting.

Min 132 Lepton Master Plan – Sites HS2 and HS3 on Penistone Road / Rowley Lane

The Chairman welcomed Mr Richard Morton of KCS Developments to the meeting. He gave a verbal update of the current situation with regard to the developments and answered members' questions.

Mr Morton was thanked for attending the meeting, and he then left.

Cllr Munro returned to the meeting.

Min 133 Civic Appointments

The Chairman reported that he had attended Cllr Roger Battye's funeral, Kirklees Council's Civic Sunday and Lepton Luncheon Club's Christmas lunch. He had also taken part in the Kirkburton & Highburton Santa's Sleigh ride through the two villages, and the Carol Service at All Hallows Church in Kirkburton.

Min 134 Council Minutes

Resolved: To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 2 December 2021.

Min 135 Land & Property Committee Minutes

Resolved: To accept and adopt the minutes of the Land & Property Committee meeting held on 2 December 2021.

Resolved: To hold the following item in private as it divulged personal information.

Additional information on the subject within the Committee minutes was provided at the request of a member.

Min 135 Plans

Members considered the Kirklees Plan Lists for weeks 29 November, 6, 13, 20 and 27 December 2021.

Cllr Armer left the meeting.

21/94381 *Erection of two-storey rear and side extensions and a detached garage (within a Conservation Area) at 23 Far Dene, Kirkburton.*

The Council expressed concerns with regard to access issues.

Cllr Barraclough left the meeting.

Min 135 Plans (Cont'd)

21/94724 Change of use of agricultural storage building to a farm shop at Ivy Farm, Farnley Moor, Brockholes Road, Farnley Tyas.

The Council had no objections to the introduction of the farm shop, but did object to the access, which had been installed without planning permission and close to a bend in the road. The access was being used by a large number of agricultural vehicles.

Resolved: To object to the current access and to request Kirklees Highways to identify a new access at a safer point.

Cllr Armer and Cllr Barraclough returned to the meeting.

There was no comment on the following applications:

21/94392 Kirkheaton; 21/94469 Shepley; 21/94525 Shepley; 21/94539 Shepley; 21/94540 Grange Moor; 21/94591 Stocksmoor; 21/94595 Shepley; 21/94602 Flockton; 21/94621 Shepley; 21/94627 Shelley; 21/94631 Shelley; 21/94641 Farnley Tyas; 21/94659 Shepley; 21/94660 Flockton; 21/94661 Lepton; 21/94700 Kirkheaton; 21/94715 Houses Hill (Lepton ward); 21/94721 Shepley and 21/94731 Whitley (GM ward).

Cllr Munro left the meeting.

Min 136 Proposals for Development in Lepton Great Wood

Members noted the correspondence received.

Cllr Munro returned to the meeting.

Min 137 Accounts

Resolved: To note the accounts as presented (£ 6,991.17).

Min 138 General Grants Rules

Members noted that the temporary suspension of the requirement for community groups to hold an annual meeting at least every 15 months in order to qualify for a general grant was now due for review. It was noted that the situation with regard to Covid and the ability for some groups to hold meetings was still difficult.

Resolved: To extend the suspension of the requirement for community groups to hold an annual meeting at least every 15 months in order to qualify for a general grant and to review the position again in six months' time.

Min 139 Arriva Buses

Members noted the previous problem of the 'real time' displays in bus shelters not reflecting the actual situation. It was reported that the issue had been resolved.

Min 140 Correspondence and Information

Members noted the written report from the Clerk. She reminded members of the deadline for submitting Village Improvement Funding applications.

Min 141 Agenda Items

No agenda items were requested.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.