

## **KIRKBURTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 2 February 2023 at 7.30 pm at Burton Village Hall**

Present: Cllr J Cowan (in the chair)

Cllrs B Armer, R Barraclough, S Beresford, A Booth, R Bray, P Brook, R Burton, A Cooper, P Cunnington, S Duffy, D Hardcastle, A McCaig, A Munro, J Paxton, B Smith, J Taylor, P Taylor, C Walters and M Wheelhouse.

Officer in attendance: Mrs A Royle.

#### **Min 145 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs D Knight, T Moores and J Spivey. Cllr J Roebuck was absent.

#### **Min 146 Declarations of Interest**

The following declarations of interest were made:

Cllr Armer declared an interest in all planning applications as he is a member of Kirklees' Strategic Planning Committee and a reserve 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 an interest in the proposed upgrade to the radio base station in Grange Moor, as it may be referred to the Planning Committee in the future.

Cllr Barraclough declared an interest in Planning Apps 22/94107 and 22/94070 as he knows the applicants.

Cllr Cowan declared an interest in Planning Apps 23/90130 and 23/90215 as he knows the applicants.

Cllr Munro declared an interest in all planning applications as she is a reserve member of all 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. She also declared an interest in Thomas Crompton Group of Companies, as she knows the agent.

Cllr Paxton declared an interest in Planning App 23/90020 as he knows the applicant.

Cllr J Taylor declared an interest in all planning applications as he is a reserve member of the 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. He also declared interests in Planning Apps 23/90017, 23/90093, 23/90130, 23/90215 and 23/90223 as he knows the applicants.

#### **Min 147 Public Participation**

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

#### **Min 148 Admission of the Public**

**Resolved:** To hold the meeting in the public session.

**Min 149 Civic Appointments**

The Chairman reported he had attended a Civic Ball and Reception at Saddleworth Parish Council.

**Min 150 Council Minutes**

**Resolved:** To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 5 January 2023.

**Min 151 Land & Property Committee Minutes**

**Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Land and Property Committee meeting held on 5 January 2023.

**Min 152 Environment & Climate Change Committee Minutes**

**Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Environment and Climate Change Committee meeting held on 12 January 2023.

**Min 153 Management & Finance Committee Minutes**

**Resolved:** To accept and adopt the minutes of the Management and Finance Committee meeting held on 26 January 2023.

**Min 154 Plans**

Members considered the Kirklees Weekly Plan Lists for weeks commencing 2, 9, 16 and 23 January 2023.

*23/90020 Certificate of lawfulness for change of use of land to domestic orchard / allotment at 82 and 84 Park View, Flockton.*

The Council requested further information on the application.

*23/90146 Erection of extension to create dwelling forming annex accommodation associated with Lower Lascelles Hall Farm, Lascelles Hall Road, Lascelles Hall (Lepton ward).*

**Resolved:** To delegate the Clerk to submit the comments when the Lepton members have had the opportunity to look further into the application.

The following applications were recommended for approval: 22/94125 Flockton and 23/90023 Flockton,

There was no comment on the following applications:

22/90017 Highburton; 22/94070 Farnley Tyas; 22/94107 Farnley Tyas;  
23/90003 Highburton; 23/90036 Kirkburton; 23/90045 Grange Moor;  
23/90064 Lascelles Hall (Lepton ward); 23/90085 Shelley; 23/90088 Kirkburton;  
23/90093 Shelley; 23/90113 Kirkburton; 23/90130 Shepley; 23/90153 Shepley;  
23/90155 Lepton; 23/90215 Shepley; 23/90222 Kirkburton; 23/90223 Kirkburton and  
23/90286 Flockton.

**Min 155 Proposed Upgrade to Radio Base Station in Grange Moor**

Members noted the proposal to upgrade the existing radio base station installation sited adjacent to the Little Chef and the Council's allotments on Wakefield Road in Grange Moor.

**Resolved:** To note the proposal.

**Min 156 Accounts**

**Resolved:** To approve the accounts as presented (£12,443.71 including £6,465.57 agreed under LGA 1972 s137).

**Min 157 Cheque Register / Receipts and Payments Statement**

Members noted the Cheque Register and the Receipts and Payments Statement, both documents covering the period 1 April 2022 to 31 December 2022.

**Resolved:** To note the Cheque Register and adopt the Receipts and Payments Statement covering the period 1 April 2022 to 31 December 2022.

**Min 158 King Charles III's Coronation**

Members considered whether the Council would support local groups to commemorate the event.

**Resolved:** To invite local groups, which met the small annual grants' criteria, to apply for reimbursement of reasonable costs incurred in Coronation celebrations up to a maximum of £250. All claims to be considered by the Grants and Community Projects Committee.

**Min 159 Budget / Precept for 2023-24**

Members debated the budget proposals put forward by the Management & Finance Committee, which had been circulated with the meeting papers. An amendment to the precept was proposed.

**Resolved:** To adopt the Management & Finance Committee's recommendations and levy a precept of £152,017 with a budgeted expenditure of £161,087.

**Min 160 Footpath Kirkburton/10/10 by Cockley Hill Beck in Kirkheaton**

Members noted the information provided with the meeting papers, which illustrated the current problems with the footpath causing health and safety issues, particularly where it crossed Cockley Hill Beck above Laneside Quarry.

**Resolved:** To contact both Thomas Crompton Group of Companies and Kirklees Public Rights of Way office requesting that urgent action is taken to make the area safe. The correspondence to be copied to the three Dalton Kirklees Councillors.

**Min 161 Correspondence and Information**

Members noted the written report provided at the meeting. The Clerk drew members' attention to the election arrangements including the submission of nomination papers and the need for voters to provide acceptable photo ID when voting.

**Resolved:** To report the following item in private session, as it would divulge personal information.

**Min 162 Staff Matters**

The Clerk informed members of an issue concerning the staff.

**Min 163 Agenda Items**

No items were requested.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.