CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 1 FEBRUARY 2011

Present: Councillors: Mrs J Craven, P Crompton, P Daniels, J Garthwaite, Mrs D Margrave, Mrs C Norris, J Peebles (Chairman), Mrs C Platten, A Roe, Mrs M Skinner, K Wainwright

District Councillor Mrs J Drysdale

Apologies: None.

285. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

286. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Wainwright declared a personal interest in Item 15 (iv) (Parish Link magazine). Councillors Mrs Craven, Crompton, Mrs Platten and Peebles declared interests in Item 26 (sponsorship charges for hanging baskets).

287. TO RECEIVE SUCH ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN MAY WISH TO LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL

None.

288. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4 JANUARY 2011

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 January 2011 be approved as a correct record.

289. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The Clerk noted that there had been no further correspondence following Minute 273, complaint from resident.

290. TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved: That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting following agenda item 24.

291. POLICE REPORT

PC Laybourne circulated a report which showed that 44 hours had been worked on the Safe Scheme in January. Police officers had worked 36 hours and PCSOs 8 hours. A total of 37 incidents had been recorded in the month, this being similar to the December figures. Crimes included one burglary of a dwelling, five thefts from vehicles and two stolen vehicles. Anti-social behaviour had increased from the previous month with nuisance motorcycles recorded at Crigglestone All Blacks Rugby Club. The police were dealing with this issue as part of Operation Delhi. Dog fouling was also a problem at the rugby fields and had been referred to the WMDC dog wardens. The police had investigated problems reported with Akita dogs in the area. A total of 21 youths had been stopped during the month and some 18 speeding tickets had been issued on Denby Dale Road and Wood Lane on the SAFE scheme. One ticket was issued for use of a mobile phone whilst driving and a further three drivers were required to produce their documents.

Priorities for February would be attention to Betty Eastwood Park where evidence of gun use had been reported, inconsiderate parking at the one-stop-shop on Denby Dale Road East and on Stoney Lane (Dane Royd School and the Co-op) together with speeding on Denby Dale Road.

Resolved: That the Parish Council thank PC Laybourne for his report and the good policing of the area.

292. TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE PARKS AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

The Committee had met on 31 January and the Clerk noted that the tree work resulting from the risk assessment was in progress. The report on the oak tree at Willow Garth had been received and TPO consent had been granted for the work at Willow Garth. Tenders for grounds maintenance and hanging baskets in 2011 had been received and recommendations would be presented later on the agenda. A letter from Michael Tivenan, prospective appointee to the Committee, had been circulated.

Resolved: (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That Michael Tivenan be appointed to the Parks and Open Spaces Committee for the remainder of the municipal year.

293. TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 January had been circulated.

Resolved: That the minutes be noted.

294. TO RECEIVE REPORT ON RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS

District Councillor Mrs Drysdale reported that a gating order for the path from Stoney Lane to Hall Lane had been discussed by District Council officers and she confirmed that there would be public consultation if the matter was progressed.

Resolved: That the report be noted.

295. TO DISCUSS HALL GREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Councillor Wainwright was awaiting prices to resurface the frontage of the Community Centre. Councillor Mrs Craven reported that electrical testing had been carried out at the Centre and earth wiring work was required at a cost of £120. District Councillor Mrs Drysdale said she hoped Batemans would replace the bollard at the front of the Centre. There was to be a jumble sale on Saturday 12 March.

Resolved: That the cost of the earth wiring be met by the Parish Council.

296. VILLAGE INSTITUTE MATTERS

Village Institute Trustees' minutes dated 4 January 2011 had been circulated.

Resolved: That the minutes be accepted as a correct record.

297. TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM MEETING

The Clerk had attended the Town and Parish Councils Liaison Group meeting. She reported that the Group had received a presentation on Localism from the WMDC Leader and Chief Executive, and information had been given about the forthcoming elections. The Parish Charter was approved for presentation to the WMDC Cabinet.

Resolved: That the report be noted.

298. TO RECEIVE UPDATE REGARDING THE SCOUT HUT

Further to minute 166 (2010/11), the Clerk noted that the Scout leaders had now drafted a new trust deed and had invited Councillor Mrs Craven to become a trustee. The existing trustees had been asked to relinquish their trusteeship.

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Resolved: That the report be noted.

299. FINANCIAL MATTERS: TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Responsible Financial Officer presented the following for payment:

Clerk - salary +expenses 435.75 Responsible Financial Officer - salary + expenses 149.27

Cultrix – domain renewal	26.40
Crigglestone WMC – hire for public meeting	30.00
Crigglestone Village Institute Trust	300
Arbolution – tree survey	352.50
R Sunderland – VI PAT testing	50.00

Resolved: That the accounts be approved for payment.

300. FINANCIAL MATTERS: TO APPROVE VIREMENTS IN THE 2010/11 BUDGET

The Responsible Financial Officer tabled a budget report on the year to date and recommended virements to reflect the current financial position.

Resolved: That the proposed virements be approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

301. FINANCIAL MATTERS: TO AGREE ANNUAL GRANT TO THE VILLAGE INSTITUTE TRUST

Resolved: That a grant of £1,600 to the Village Institute Trust be agreed.

302. FINANCIAL MATTERS: TO REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR INPUT TO THE PARISH LINKIt was noted that the Parish Council was continuing to provide four sides of copy for the Parish Link Magazine and it was suggested that one side might feature community news.

Resolved: (1) That the Parish Council continue to provide copy for the Parish Link magazine and make a donation to the PCC of £300.

(2) That the arrangement be reviewed in February 2012.

303. TO AGREE DATE FOR FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

Resolved: That the Finance and Audit Committee meet at 7.00pm on Tuesday 22 February 2011.

The Responsible Financial Officer left the meeting at this point.

304. CORRESPONDENCE

1. 2.	WMDC VAWD	Email - Invitation to Wakefield Together - Area Forums Events Email – Ebulletin Jan 2011 – training sessions, room to hire, networking events etc
3.	CPRE	Email – pylons, localism
4.	Fit 4 Funding	Email – Awards for All application workshop 18 Jan Knottingley
5.	WY Police Authority	Email - Questionnaire re future priorities
6.	Rural Yorkshire	Email - Energy efficient light bulbs recycling
7.	YLCA	Email – Public holiday 29 April, royal wedding
8.	Clerks and Councils Direct	Magazine
9.	WY Police	Email- Community Trust grant scheme -
10.	WY Police	Email - Opportunity to discuss policing in parish
11.	Marie Curie Cancer Care	Email - Great Daffodil Appeal – request for promotion – through parish magazine/web site Late Feb and March
12.	WMDC	Email - Agenda for Council meeting19 Jan 2011
13.	Royal British Legion	Great Poppy Party Weekend 10 – 12 June
14.	Navigus Planning	Email – Advice available re Localism Bill
15.	SLCC	Email - Training course: war memorials
16.	Dr Robson-Capps	Email – update on crime etc and Crigglestone Parish Council
17.	SLCC	The Clerk magazine

18.	SLCC	Regional Training and Events Guide
19.	WY Police Authority	Email - Local Communities Chance To Quiz The Police Authority Send questions by 13 Feb, WYPA meeting 18 Feb
20.	PSCA International Ltd	Email – Conferences: Redesigning Local Services, London March
21.	NALC	Email – LCR online: New National Training Strategy launched,
		Communities fast-super broadband; Localism Bill; flooding
22.	WMDC	Launch Event of Stop Hate UK in the Wakefield District - 31 January 2011
23.	D Walker	Re watercourse at Wadhouse Lane
24.	Office of the Traffic Commissioner	Top Treads application granted subject to undertaking
25.	YLCA	Email - Rural Matters newsletter
26.	RAY	Country Air magazine
27.	Wakefield Together Partnership	Invitation to area forum in the Wakefield Rural Area at Agbrigg & Belle Vue Community Centre, on Weds 2 nd March
28.	Newmillerdam Britain in Bloom	Email re hanging baskets in Newmillerdam
29.	WY Police	West Yorkshire's Street Level Crime Information Website Goes Nationwide www.police.uk

Resolved: (1) That Mr Walker be informed that surfacing of the lane is not the responsibility of the Parish Council (23)

(2) That the other correspondence be noted.

305. TO DISCUSS PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council considered the schedule of planning applications before them and the outcome of consultations on the application for 244 houses at Durkar Lane, Durkar was discussed. Members considered the apparent unauthorised use of buildings at 423 Denby Dale Road East for business purposes.

Resolved: (1) That the schedule of planning applications be noted.

- (2) That copies of the Parish Council's objection to the Durkar Lane site be forwarded to each Member of the WMDC Planning Committee, copying costs to be met by the Parish Council.
- (3) That copies of the Council's objection be sent to Jon Trickett MP and Mary Creagh MP.
- (4) That letters be sent to John Seacome and Councillor John Colley thanking them for their contribution in respect of the proposals at Durkar Lane.
- (5) That Councillor Drysdale follow up the apparent business use at 423 Denby Dale Road East.

TO DISCUSS APPLICATION TO VARY PREMISES LICENCE AT 3 PAINTHORPE LANEDetails of the proposed variation of the takeaway licence to add alcohol had been circulated.

Resolved: That an objection to the variation be submitted on behalf of Hall Green Community Centre and local residents on grounds of concerns for crime and disorder, public nuisance, public safety and the protection of children from harm.

307. TO DISCUSS WMDC PROPOSAL FOR WINTER HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES No further information was available.

Councillor Mrs Norris left the meeting (9.00 pm)

308. TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

District Councillor Mrs Drysdale updated Members on enforcement action in respect of the containers on land at Haveroid Lane. The area was a danger to children and she was pursuing the matter with council officers. She had also spoken again to Mr Precious about the overhanging hedge on Durkar Low Lane and hoped to meet him to explain the problem.

309. UPDATE ON PARISH MATTERS

The Clerk had circulated the Parish Matters register and updated members on progress.

310. TO RECEIVE PARISH MATTERS

The following items were brought to the attention of the Parish Council:

- a) The salt bin on Hall Lane should be moved to Boyne Hill as more needed there.
- b) Shrubs at the entrance to the Links were overgrowing the footway again.
- c) Vegetation obstructing the sight lines at the junction of Barnsley Road and Wood Lane.

311. PRESS REPORTS - ITEMS FOR PUBLICATION

Resolved: That the Clerk update parish items for the press.

312. TO CONSIDER INPUT FOR PARISH LINK MAGAZINE

Resolved: That the Responsible Financial Officer prepare the Parish Council insert for the next Parish Link.

313. TO APPROVE ITEMS FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL WEB SITE

Resolved: That the January 2011 Parish Council minutes be placed on the website.

314. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Resolved: That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held in the Village Institute, High Street, Crigglestone at 7.00pm on Tuesday 1 March 2011.

IN PRIVATE

315. TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PARKS AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE REGARDING CONTRACTS FOR 2011/12

The Clerk gave details of the tendering process and the Committee's recommendations.

Resolved: (1) That, in respect of Betty Eastwood Park maintenance, the quotation received from T&D in the sum of £1,520 plus £10 per hour inspection charge and £15 per hour for work to the pond, watercourses and boundaries be accepted.

- (2) That, in respect of general maintenance works, the quotation received from Wakefield MDC in the sum of £412 be accepted.
- (3) That, in respect of hanging baskets, the quotation from T & D in the sum of £85 per basket for existing sites and £100 for new sites plus the cost of new plaques be accepted.

During the discussion of sponsorship charges, Councillors Crompton, Mrs Craven, Mrs Platten and Peebles declared personal interests and left the room (9.35pm). Councillor Daniels took the Chair during discussion of this item

316. TO DISCUSS SPONSORSHIP CHARGES FOR HANGING BASKETS 2011

Resolved: That sponsorship levels be agreed at £65 for existing sponsors and £99 for new sponsors.

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CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

7.00 pm Tuesday 1 February 2011

Mike Tivenan introduced himself as a prospective appointee to the Parks and Open Spaces Committee. No other members of the public attended.