

CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3 APRIL 2012

Present: Councillors: Mrs C Binns, Mrs J Craven, P Crompton, P Daniels, J Garthwaite, Mrs D Margrave, J Peebles, Mrs C Platten, A Roe, Mrs M Skinner and K Wainwright.

District Councillor: None.

Apologies: District Councillor Mrs Drysdale.

363. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were accepted.

364. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mrs Binns declared a personal interest in item 11 Hall Green Community Centre.

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

None.

366. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 MARCH 2012

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 6 March 2012 be approved as a correct record.

367. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION ONLY

There was no update on a request to meet the Director of Public Health and the Clerk would pursue the matter (Minute 349 2011/12). Under the same minute, a schedule relating to the use of 433 Denby Dale Road East was submitted and would be forwarded to Wakefield Council.

368. TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting following item 23.

369. POLICE REPORT

PS Day circulated a report which showed that 58 hours had been worked on the Safe Scheme in March. Police officers had worked 41 hours and PCSOs 17 hours in the month. A total of 53 incidents had been recorded especially at the beginning of the month, a significant increase from February.

On Wood Lane three speeding tickets and three speed awareness tickets had been issued. Footpath 24 had been patrolled on a regular basis by police officers and Young Explorers. Safe Scheme officers had also patrolled in Betty Eastwood Park and other areas of the parish, some in the early hours as a result of crimes recorded at the beginning of the month.

Recorded crimes included five house burglaries: in Crigglestone, Calder Grove and Chapelthorpe. In two of these cases, car keys were located and then the car was taken from outside. There were 10 'other burglaries' in Crigglestone, Durkar, and Chapelthorpe which included items removed from sheds and garages. Ten thefts from vehicles were recorded in Crigglestone and Durkar: items removed included an electric saw, a laptop, CDs and satnavs. A number of exhaust systems/catalytic convertors were removed from cars. Seven vehicles were damaged in Hall Green, Crigglestone and Durkar. There were also thefts from shops and lead flashing removed from roofs.

Four calls about nuisance motorcycles were received and five nuisance youth calls including one relating to Betty Eastwood Park.

PS Day gave details of a car crime prevention day be held at ASDA on 11 April.

Priorities for April would be high visibility policing, attention to Durkar Low Lane, under age sales at off-licences and Betty Eastwood Park.

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

370. TO DISCUSS OUTCOME OF MEETING WITH INSPECTOR CLARE

A meeting had been held with Inspector Clare to address issues raised about crime and safety in the Community Plan. Issues discussed included parking (especially near schools and shops), speeding, litter, HGVs and young people. He also explained how the force operated and promised better communication with the Parish Council. He encouraged residents to report all crimes even though the likelihood of an arrest was small. Reported crimes could build up a pattern to assist future policing.

Members had also raised concerns they had regarding the Safe Scheme and Inspector Clare had undertaken to keep in contact with one person nominated by the Parish Council (confirmed as Councillor Mrs Platten). From 1 April a more limited range of officers would work on the scheme, providing a more locally knowledgeable team.

Resolved: That the report be noted.

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

A meeting had been held immediately before the Council meeting. The Committee had discussed items relating to Betty Eastwood Park including stump treatment and possible upgrading of the central paths. They had received health and safety reports and an update on the 2012 hanging basket scheme.

Resolved: (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That the quotation from T & D in the sum of £60 to treat the tree stumps be approved.

(3) That the Friends work with the Clerk to submit an application to Awards for All to resurface the paths.

372. TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE HEALTH & SAFETY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 February had been circulated. Recommendations had been addressed at the March meeting.

Resolved: That the minutes be noted.

373. TO RECEIVE REPORT ON RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS

The Clerk reported that Wakefield Council officers had arranged a meeting with parish councillors to consider ways of improving Footpath 24.

Resolved: That the report be noted.

374. TO DISCUSS HALL GREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Councillor Mrs Binns requested consent for children to paint a mural on the side of the building and said she hoped to apply for funding to extend the building to the rear. The senior youth club would start on 18 May and a Jubilee event would be held on 5 June. The asphaltting to the front was still awaited. The Responsible Financial Officer had received an invoice for window locks not previously approved.

Resolved: (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That no objection in principle be raised to the mural proposal.

(3) That the window locks supplied by D Austerberry at £64 be approved.

375. TO CONSIDER VILLAGE INSTITUTE CHARITY COMMITTEE MATTERS

The Committee had met immediately before the Council meeting. The minutes would be available for the May meeting.

376. TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM MEETINGS

Minutes of a meeting held with the Highways Agency had been circulated. The new traffic lights at J39 were welcomed. Councillors Roe and Mrs Craven confirmed that Durkar was designated as a First Priority Location in the Noise Action Planning Important Areas. Low noise surfacing could be installed but only when resurfacing was required which might be over five years hence. There were no plans for noise fencing or tree planting.

Councillors Mrs Craven and Mrs Platten had attended the meeting of the Standbridge Lane Development Trust. It was proposed to develop the former school for community activities but significant repair works were required.

Resolved: That the reports be noted.

377. TO DISCUSS COMMUNITY-LED PLAN MATTERS

The minutes of the March meeting of the Committee had been circulated. The Steering Group had not met but the Clerk reported on progress with neighbourhood watch proposals and local business promotion.

Resolved: That the minutes be noted.

378. FINANCIAL MATTERS: TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Responsible Financial Officer presented the following for payment:

	£
HMRC PAYE	327.20
Clerk – salary + expenses	478.44
Responsible Financial Officer - salary + expenses	249.17
Xerox	18.88
LCR subscription	15.50
T&D contractors	3,000.00
D Austerberry	665.53

Resolved: That the accounts be approved for payment.

379. CORRESPONDENCE

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| 1. | WMDC | Email – Wakefield Together Wakefield Rural Area Forum on Thursday 29 March at Mackie Hill School |
| 2. | CPRE | Email - Newsletter |
| 3. | WMDC | Email – recruitment to Overview and Scrutiny Committees |
| 4. | NALC | Email – LCR newsletter x 2 |
| 5. | NALC | LCR magazine |
| 6. | Mary Creagh | Email – Newsletter x 2 |
| 7. | WMDC | Email – Agenda for Council meeting 21 March |
| 8. | Newmillerdam CCA | Email – Newsletter and request for suggestions for bees, butterflies and birds theme |
| 9. | YLCA | Email - Ethical Framework For Councillors - Predetermination |
| 10. | YLCA | Email – Event Sat 31 March Harrogate ‘Supporting Communities and Neighbourhoods in Planning’ 10am to 1pm or 2pm till 5pm Free |
| 11. | Baxi Commercial | Email – Opportunity to win new heating/water heating system for community venue |
| 12. | Highway Agency | M62 Junction 25 to J30 Managed Motorway Scheme. 36 new gantries and 16 refurbished gantries. |

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| 13. | NALC | Email – LCR newsletter |
| 14. | SLCC | Regional conferences + Plantscape promotion CD |
| 15. | NALC | Email - People in Action Conferences Sheffield 20 Sept |
| 16. | Diamond Jubilee UK | Publicity for Jubilee items |
| 17. | Mayor of Wakefield | Invitation to Charity Bowling Evening Xscape 23 April |
| 18. | Ministry of Defence | Email – Fly Armed Forces Day Flag on 25 June |
| 19. | LDF Programme Officer | Email - National Planning Policy Framework and Planning Policy for Traveller Sites Comments by 15 May. |

Resolved: (1) That the LDF items be considered at the May meeting (19).
 (2) That the remaining correspondence be noted.

380. TO DISCUSS PLANNING APPLICATIONS/DECISIONS

A schedule of applications and decisions had been circulated.

Resolved: (1) That the schedule of applications be noted.
 (2) That an objection be submitted in respect of application no 12/00651, 64 Durkar Low Lane, on the grounds discussed.

381. TO NOTE LDF MODIFICATIONS TO SITE SPECIFIC PROPOSALS SUBMISSION

It was noted that none of the modifications concerned the Parish.

382. TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

No District Councillors were present.

383. UPDATE ON PARISH MATTERS

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

384. TO RECEIVE PARISH MATTERS

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

- a) A litter bin was needed on the Springs, Denby Dale Road.
- b) How might the Council promote the Queen's Diamond Jubilee?

Resolved: (1) That Councillor Daniels ring the contact centre regarding (a)
 (2) That ideas for Jubilee promotion be considered at the May meeting.

385. PRESS REPORTS – ITEMS FOR PUBLICATION

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

386. TO CONSIDER INPUT FOR PARISH LINK MAGAZINE

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

387. TO APPROVE ITEMS FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL WEB SITE

Resolved: That the March 2012 Parish Council minutes be placed on the website.

388. 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 May 2012.

389. TO DISCUSS DATE OF THE JUNE MEETING

It was noted that the first Tuesday in June was the Jubilee Bank Holiday.

Resolved: That a meeting be held on Tuesday 29 May 2012.

IN PRIVATE
None.

SIGNED _____
CHAIRMAN

DATE _____

CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

7.00 pm Tuesday 3 April 2012

Three members of the public attended as observers for all or part of the meeting.