

# CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 4 NOVEMBER 2008

**Present:** Councillors: Mrs J Craven, P Crompton, P Daniels, J Garthwaite, Mrs C Norris, A Roe, J Peebles, D Pimm, Mrs C Platten, Mrs M Skinner, K Wainwright

**District Councillors:** J Colley

**Apologies:** District Councillors J Drysdale and B Denson

### **200/08 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were accepted.

### **201/08 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

### **202/08 TO RECEIVE SUCH ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN MAY WISH TO LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL**

The Chair noted that he and Councillor Daniels proposed to attend the Evening of Remembrance at Wakefield Cathedral.

### **203/08 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 OCTOBER 2008**

**Resolved:** That the minutes be approved as a correct record.

### **204/08 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

Further to the note of the Public Session held on 7 October, the Clerk reported that Wakefield MDC officers proposed to attach 'No through road' signs to the street name plates on Barker Road.

### **205/08 TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting following agenda item 27.

### **206/08 POLICE REPORT**

PC Laybourne noted that a total of 23 crimes had been recorded in October, a decrease on previous months. PC Laybourne reported that 25 hours had been spent in the Parish in October and noted a number of motor vehicle offences including a vehicle seized from an uninsured and unlicensed driver, 11 endorsable tickets issued for speeding on Denby Dale Road and four motorists warned, two tickets and two warnings issued regarding parking offences near the Kingfisher restaurant, tickets issued in respect of seat belts/illegal number plates and an overweight goods vehicle on Durkar Lane. Two youths were subject to stop/search laws. At the previous meeting, Members had queried the Dispersal Order in force in the Parish which was shortly to expire. PC Laybourne explained that the order could not simply be extended. To apply for a new order the police and the local authority would have to show that an order was necessary to prevent crime using the proportion of anti-social behaviour calls as an indicator. At present calls relating to anti-social behaviour were much lower than before the Dispersal Order. A new order could only be requested if the figures rose again. Following concerns raised at the last meeting regarding speeding, the police had contacted WMDC highways officers regarding a further 'golden river' survey on Durkar Lane. The highways officers were not prepared to undertake another survey within three years of the previous one. Similarly a survey on Denby Dale Road was not considered appropriate although a 'laser gun' survey could be carried out. With regard to the matter of anti-social behaviour at a ginnel near Aberfield Drive mentioned at the last meeting, enquiries had been made with the local authority but it seemed that it would not be possible to close the path. PC Laybourne was asked about traffic calming on Hollin Lane and said this was a matter for Wakefield MDC.

Priorities for November would be parking on Denby Dale Road East particularly cars parked with headlights on, other vehicle lighting offences and anti social behaviour at St James and St John's churches.

**Resolved:** (1) That the Parish Council thank PCs Laybourne and McMahon for the good policing of the area.

(2) That the Clerk write to Councillor Box indicating the Parish Council's continuing concerns regarding speeding on Durkar Lane.

#### **207/08 FEEDBACK FROM MEETINGS**

WY Rural Transport Partnership: Councillors Daniels and Craven reported that they had drawn attention to the Parish Council's park and ride aspirations and to inadequacies of the 443 bus service. They noted that the future of the partnership was uncertain due to the end of its current funding stream.

Town and Parish Councils Liaison Group: The Clerk reported that the Chairman and she had attended the recent Group meeting which covered the proposed parish charter and a presentation on the online planning system.

#### **208/08 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE PARKS AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE**

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 October had been circulated and the draft minutes of the informal meeting held on 30 October were tabled. Members noted works to be undertaken following the park inspection meeting and that the first Woodland Care Day would take place in the park on Saturday 8 November. They further recommended that work in the park should concentrate on improvements to footpaths, trees, fencing and benches together with resurfacing for the BMX track, subject to costings. There was need for a new litter bin at the wheel area and tenders would be sought for the supply of hanging baskets in 2009. It was proposed to ask Peels if they could include grass cutting around the Durkar stone in their programme for the Calder Park area. Councillor Wainwright reported that Wakefield MDC officers were examining a number of flooding/drainage issues in Betty Eastwood Park including problems adjoining The Links.

**Resolved:** (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That a new litter bin be ordered from Wakefield MDC.

#### **209/08 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE**

There was nothing to report.

#### **210/08 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE**

Councillor Wainwright reported that the next meeting would be held on 20 November.

#### **211/08 TO DISCUSS HALL GREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Councillor Wainwright reported that Mears had cleared out and resurfaced the area to the rear of the Centre but the fascia and guttering were still to be replaced. He recommended that urgent works be undertaken to remove and make good a flue grille, to fit a guard rail for the fire exit ramp and to repair the front door. He presented an invoice from Glassco in respect of the works carried out to board up and repair the vandalised windows. Councillor Wainwright noted further new activities at the Centre.

**Resolved:** (1) That the works advised by Councillor Wainwright be approved.

(2) That payment of £364.25 to Glassco be approved.

#### **212/08 VILLAGE INSTITUTE MATTERS**

Village Institute Trustees' minutes dated 7 October 2008 had been circulated.

**Resolved:** That the minutes be accepted as a true record.

#### **213/08 FINANCIAL MATTERS: TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

The Responsible Financial Officer presented the following for payment:

	£
Parish Clerk salary + expenses Oct 2008	341.46
Responsible Financial Officer salary Oct 2008	176.73
Glassco	364.25
WMDC – fencing	450.31
Cultrix	112.80

**Resolved:** That the accounts be approved for payment.

#### **214/08 FINANCIAL MATTERS: TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE BALANCE SHEET SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2008**

The Responsible Financial Officer presented the balance sheet.

**Resolved:** That the balance sheet be agreed as a correct record and signed and that the bank statement be initialled by all Members present as a correct record of the Parish Council's financial position.

#### **215/08 WAKEFIELD MDC LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK ISSUES**

Further to Minute 180/08, the Clerk had sought to clarify the LDF proposals for settlement hierarchy in the parish and had consulted the YLCA regarding legal advice. She had circulated the responses received noting that the Inspector's hearings of the Site Specific proposals were unlikely to be arranged before late 2009. She had made enquiries of a number of potential advisors without success. Members felt the response from WMDC required clarification and they wished to pursue the appointment of a consultant. The Responsible Financial Officer suggested such an appointment might have significant financial implications and proposed to seek further advice.

Councillor Daniels reported on the Inspector's meeting he had attended concerning the Central Wakefield Area Action Plan which set the context for the hearings in February 2009. Members considered attendance at those hearings.

The Clerk noted messages received from WMDC concerning additional core strategy hearing sessions and Councillor Crompton suggested a response stressing the Parish Council's views on housing allocations in the parish.

**Resolved:** (1) That Wakefield MDC officers be asked to meet Parish Councillors to clarify the LDF proposals.

(2) That the Responsible Financial Officer seek advice regarding the appointment of consultants.

(3) That Councillors Daniels and Crompton attend the hearings on 3 and 4 February 2009.

(4) That a response to the additional core strategy hearing sessions be forwarded to the District Council.

#### **216/08 TO CONSIDER AWARD TO COMMUNITY HEROES**

A report proposing an award had been circulated and Members felt further discussion was required to set criteria for the award.

**Resolved:** That the Community Hero proposal be agreed in principle and ideas for criteria be discussed at the December meeting.

#### **217/08 APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE TO HALL GREEN UNITED**

Further to Minute 188/08, the Clerk noted that she had been under the impression that the request for a trustee had come from Hall Green United whereas it was in fact the Junior Club. Councillor Roe informed Members that he had made contact with the Chairman of Hall Green United Juniors.

**Resolved:** (1) That Councillor Roe speak again to the Chairman of Hall Green United Juniors.

(2) That the matter be discussed at the next meeting.

## 218/08 CORRESPONDENCE

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| 1.  | Mrs Hawkins                                   | Newmillerdam: 1) Bins at Fortrezza Restaurant<br>2) Land at bottom of School Hill – possible flower tubs?  |
| 2.  | British Legion                                | Order form   |
| 3.  | WMDC  | Families information service poster  |
| 4.  | WMDC  | Poster – 2 points of entry to full-time schooling  |
| 5.  | WMDC Mayor                                    | Invitation to Evening of Remembrance 7 November  |
| 6.  | Arriva  | Invitation to meeting 25 November  |
| 7.  | Rural Action Yorkshire (YRCC)                 | 'Empowering Your Rural Community' Conference and AGM 28 November, Whixley, Harrogate                       |
| 8.  | Mrs D Margrave                                | Speeding on Cliff Road   |
| 9.  | Rural Action Yorkshire (YRCC)                 | Accounts and Membership 2008   |
| 10. | Newmillerdam Community & Conservation Society | Re application for village green status  |
| 11. | Bob Crowther                                  | Re footpath High Street to Hollin Lane   |
| 12. | WY NHS Central Services Agency                | Re Pharmacy application at Calder Grove  |
| 13. | WMDC  | Acknowledgement of Site Specific comments  |
| 14. | LDF Independent Examination                   | Further hearing sessions Core Strategy<br>11 Dec 2008  |
| 15. | YLCA  | Revised Code of Conduct for Councillors and Proposals for an Employees' Code Consultation deadline 24 Dec. |
| 16. | YLCA  | New Mandatory Publication Scheme   |
| 17. | SMP   | Playground Information   |
| 18. | YLCA  | Protected trees – guide to tree protection procedures  |
| 19. | WMDC  | LDF Core Strategy – Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment   |
| 20. | WMDC  | LDF Core Strategy – Strategic Housing Market Assessment  |
| 21. | VOX   | Next meeting 19 November 7pm, then 3 <sup>rd</sup> Weds  |
| 22. | Newmillerdam Community and Conservation Assoc | Re grant aid and village green application   |
| 23. | NALC  | Journal  |
| 24. | CPRE  | Journal  |
| 25. | Barnsley MBC                                  | Barnsley, Doncaster & Rotherham Joint Strategic Waste Development Plan – consultation                      |
| 26. | YLCA  | White Rose Update  |
| 27. | WMDC  | Land at junction Durkar Low Lane and Denby Dale Road East  |

***Councillor Platten left the meeting (8.49pm)***

***Councillor Platten rejoined the meeting (8.51pm)***

- Resolved:** (1) That the relocation of the bins at the restaurant be pursued with WMDC (1).  
(2) That Councillors Peebles and Daniels attend the Remembrance Service (5).  
(3) That Councillors Daniels, Mrs Craven and Crompton attend the meeting with Arriva (6)  
(4) That speeding on Cliff Road be referred to the Police (8).  
(5) That the village green application at Newmillerdam be an agenda item in December (10)  
(6) That Councillors Mrs Craven and Crompton attend the hearing sessions on 11 December (14)  
(7) That Councillor Peebles report back on the Revised Code of Conduct (15)  
(8) That the Publication Scheme be an agenda item in December (16)  
(9) That the remaining correspondence be noted.

## **219/08 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Parish Council noted the planning applications before them.

## **220/08 TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Councillor Colley gave a comprehensive update on issues dealt with in the parish including speed limit repeater signs, anti social behaviour at Aberfield Drive, drainage issues at Chapelthorpe, drainage and security matters at Hall Green Juniors and drainage matters at Fishponds Drive/Betty Eastwood Park. Councillor Colley gave his apologies for the December meeting.

## **221/08 UPDATE ON PARISH MATTERS**

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

## **222/08 PARISH MATTERS**

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

- (i) Hedge on Dennington Lane needs cutting back
- (ii) Wakefield MDC officers were to meet residents at Broad Acres and Green Acres regarding flooding problems
- (iii) Vegetation requires cutting back behind a property on Fishponds Drive.
- (iv) Overhanging bushes on Haveroid Lane.
- (v) Tidy up required at High Street, near the industrial estate.

**Resolved:** That the meeting be held in the Village Institute (ii), the Clerk contact T&D in respect of (iii) and WMDC in respect of the other items.

## **223/08 TO DISCUSS ARRANGEMENTS FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – LAYING OF WREATHS**

It was confirmed that the Vice Chairman would lay a wreath at the Newmillerdam Memorial at 10.00 am and the Chairman would lay a wreath at St James Church, Chapelthorpe at 10.30 am on Sunday 9 November 2008. All Members were encouraged to attend.

## **224/08 INPUT FOR PARISH LINK MAGAZINE**

**Resolved:** That the Clerk prepare the Parish Council insert for the next Parish Link magazine.

*Councillor Craven left the meeting (9.30pm)*

*Councillor Craven rejoined the meeting (9.34pm)*

## **225/08 TO APPROVE ITEMS FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL WEB SITE**

**Resolved:** That the October 2008 Parish Council minutes be placed on the website.

## **226/08 PRESS REPORTS – ITEMS FOR PUBLICATION**

**Resolved:** That the Clerk contact Dr Chowcat to update parish matters for the press.

## **227/08 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 7pm on Tuesday 2 December 2008.

## **IN PRIVATE**

None.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_  
CHAIRMAN

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

# CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

**7.00 pm Crigglestone Village Institute, Tuesday 4 November 2008**

Two members of the public were present. They spoke of their concern following an incident where an eight year old child cycling down a path from High Street had been in collision with a vehicle where the path is crossed by a cul-de-sac. In a second incident at the same point a child on a skateboard had been hurt. The residents felt that barriers across the path might avert similar incidents. Councillor Wainwright confirmed that he had inspected the site, footpath no 9. It was agreed to pursue the matter with Wakefield MDC Rights of Way team.