

# CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 7 OCTOBER 2008

**Present:** Councillors: Mrs J Craven, P Crompton, P Daniels, J Garthwaite, Mrs C Norris (Vice Chair), Mrs C Platten, K Wainwright

**District Councillors:** J Colley, B Denson

**Apologies:** Councillors J Peebles, A Roe and Mrs M Skinner, District Councillor J Drysdale.

### **173/08 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were accepted.

### **174/08 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

### **175/08 TO RECEIVE SUCH ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN MAY WISH TO LAY BEFORE THE COUNCIL**

The Chair noted a request from Councillor Skinner to bring her dog to the November meeting in view of the prevalence of fireworks at that time.

**Resolved:** That Councillor Skinner's request be agreed.

### **176/08 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2 SEPTEMBER 2008**

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

### **177/08 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

Further to Minute 151/08, Councillor Wainwright presented an invoice for £80 in respect of printing costs. This would be dealt with under item 14, Financial matters.

### **178/08 TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

That members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting following agenda item 26.

### **179/08 POLICE REPORT**

PC Laybourne sent his apologies and PC McMahon noted that a total of 37 crimes had been recorded in September. Members were concerned at the number of burglaries. PC McMahon reported that 37 hours had been spent in the Parish in September and noted that following the priorities identified at the last meeting, officers had dealt with youths congregating at St John's Church, Calder Grove and had issued three fixed penalty tickets for parking offences at the Kingfisher Restaurant. Nine fixed penalty tickets had been issued for speeding offences on Denby Dale Road with a further five motorists warned. Other tickets had been issued for using a mobile phone whilst driving and seat belt offences, and a driver without a licence or insurance had had her vehicle seized. A total of 28 people were subject to stop or stop/search legislation and of these 15 persons were stopped under the Misuse of Drugs Act. Four persons were arrested in the parish, two in possession of cannabis, one an illegal immigrant and one 'going equipped for theft'. PC McMahon confirmed that he was pursuing the matter of anti-social behaviour near Aberfield Drive mentioned in the public session and PC Laybourne was dealing with the vandalism at Hall Green Community Centre.

Priorities for October would be Golden River surveys on Hollin Lane, Durkar Lane and Denby Dale Road, anti-social behaviour in the Hall Green area, speeding on Denby Dale Road especially at Calder Grove and parking at the One Stop Shop.

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

(2) That the Safe Scheme payment of £2,500 in respect of October, November and December be approved.

#### **180/08 FEEDBACK FROM MEETINGS**

Meeting with Mary Creagh MP: A note of the meeting held with Mary Creagh MP had been circulated together with further correspondence from Ms Creagh.

Meeting with District Councillors re the LDF: Members reported on a meeting held earlier with District Councillor Colley when they had asked District Councillors to support their objections to the Site Specific proposals in the LDF with particular reference to the land behind St James' School. They were also concerned that the LDF implied that settlements in the Parish were a continuous part of the Wakefield urban area. It was felt legal advice should be sought.

Scarborough Conference: Councillor Mrs Craven reported that the Conference had concentrated on training. She noted presentations on a new Publication Scheme, mandatory training, e-consultation, climate change, community engagement and quality status.

**Resolved:** (1) That Ms Creagh be thanked for coming to meet Parish Councillors and that she be further requested to support their views regarding settlement hierarchy.

(2) That legal advice through the YLCA and/or an appropriate advisor be sought regarding the LDF proposals.

#### **181/08 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE PARKS AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE**

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 16 September had been circulated. Councillor Craven reported on a further meeting with Tom Handley and local young people to discuss the future of the BMX track and it was noted that the Clerk had consulted Wakefield MDC officers who had recommended accepting the proposals for the 'Woodland Management Days'. It was noted that the trees adjoining Manor Farm Road (Minute 153/08) were not protected and the Clerk had instructed the contractor to proceed. An invoice had been received for the work. The Clerk reported that Wakefield MDC were to carry out extensive management work for the ponds area in Betty Eastwood Park and it was noted that the new fencing ordered for Haveroid Lane had been fitted.

With regard to the overflowing drain in Betty Eastwood Park adjoining The Links, Councillor Wainwright reported on site meetings with Yorkshire Water and WMDC highways drainage officers to identify the cause of the problem. The matter was to be pursued by Rob Fyfe.

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

(2) That the Committee pursue an upgrade of the BMX track and other play facilities.

(3) That the Tom Handley's proposal to run three Woodland Management Days in Betty Eastwood Park at a cost of £215 per day and a contribution of £70 per day towards the tree wardens' equipment be approved.

(4) That, subject to Councillor Craven being satisfied with the work undertaken, the payment to Wakefield Tree Services be approved.

#### **182/08 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE**

There was nothing to report.

#### **183/08 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE**

Councillor Wainwright reported that the meeting scheduled for 25 September had been rearranged for 30 October.

#### **184/08 TO DISCUSS HALL GREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Councillor Wainwright reported that windows at the Centre had been smashed by vandals on the night of 4 October. He had called the police and arranged for the urgent boarding up of the windows. He recalled that Mears had offered to carry out work to the windows but the District

Councillors present could offer no update on the situation. The need for further protection such as roller shutters was discussed. Councillor Wainwright further noted that groups meeting at the Centre were thriving and additional groups had made bookings.

**Resolved:** (1) That Glassco, who had boarded up the windows, be asked to replace the broken panes.

(2) That the installation of security shutters be agreed in principle and quotes be sought.

(3) That Councillor Wainwright be thanked for his work on this incident and the drainage matter in the Park.

#### **185/08 VILLAGE INSTITUTE MATTERS**

Village Institute Trustees' minutes dated 2 September 2008 had been circulated.

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

#### **186/08 FINANCIAL MATTERS: TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

The Responsible Financial Officer presented the following for payment:

	£
Parish Clerk salary + expenses Sept 2008	356.28
Responsible Financial Officer salary Sept 2008	176.73
Inland Revenue	531.84
Printforms	311.00
XMA	112.40
Xerox	16.76
British Legion	33.00
WY Police	2,500.00
T & D	5,358.00
Wakefield Tree Services	720.00
Wakefield MDC – see minute 187/08	167.50
St James PCC	80.00
Ben Parker	160.00

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

#### **187/08 FINANCIAL MATTERS: CRIGGLESTONE SPORTS CLUB**

Further to Minute 161/08 regarding the submission of a planning application for temporary buildings at the Club, the Clerk reported that a cheque in the sum of £167.50 had been received from Crigglestone Sports Club. The Club had also requested a link for Hall Green United on the Parish Council's web site.

**Resolved:** (1) That a cheque payable to Wakefield MDC in the sum of £167.50 in respect of the planning application be approved.

(2) That a link to the Hall Green United web site be created on the Parish Council site.

#### **188/08 APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE TO HALL GREEN UNITED**

**Resolved:** That Councillor Roe be appointed as a trustee to Hall Green United.

#### **189/08 WMDC LDF WASTE MANAGEMENT DOCUMENT**

A draft response to the LDF Waste Development Plan Document – Preferred Options Report had been circulated noting that the expansion of the recycling site at Denby Dale Road would exacerbate the queuing traffic and would have a negative effect on air quality in Durkar.

**Resolved:** (1) That the response be approved and forwarded to Wakefield MDC.

(2) That Councillor Crompton be thanked for his contribution to the responses on the LDF proposals.

## 190/08 CORRESPONDENCE

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| 1.  | SLCC  | Notice of AGM   |
| 2.  | Mid Yorks Hospitals NHS Trust                       | Poster for AGM 24 September   |
| 3.  | John Oxley WYPTE                                    | Railplan 7  |
| 4.  | SLCC  | The Clerk journal   |
| 5.  | SMP Playgrounds                                     | New area manager  |
| 6.  | The Mayor, WMDC                                     | 'At Home' 22 September  |
| 7.  | WMDC  | Acknowledgement of LDF Core strategy comments   |
| 8.  | WMDC  | Acknowledgement of LDF Preferred options  |
| 9.  | YLCA  | Wakefield Branch meeting 7.30pm 16 October Havercroft   |
| 10. | YRCC  | Database input  |
| 11. | Jean and Joe Clarke                                 | Email re parking at One Stop Shop   |
| 12. | Postwatch   | Merger with National Consumer Council to form Consumer Focus                                      |
| 13. | WY NHS Central Services Agency                      | Application for inclusion in Pharmaceutical List in Calder Grove – rejected by Wakefield Dist PCT |
| 14. | Dogs for the Disabled                               | Poster re new training centre at Nostell  |
| 15. | WY Rural Transport Partnership                      | Agenda for meeting 14 October 2008  |
| 16. | Dept for Communities and Local Government           | The Making and Enforcement of Byelaws: a consultation (response by 20 November 2008)              |
| 17. | Newmillerdam Conservation and Community Association | Copy of request to WMDC to register the Old Colliery site at Newmillerdam as Village Green        |
| 18. | Frank Blakey  | Thank you for hanging basket and regards to CPC   |
| 19. | Standards Board for England                         | Newsletter  |
| 20. | Clerks and Councils Direct                          | Journal   |
| 21. | WMDC  | LDF Site Specific Proposals – Acknowledgement of CPC comments                                     |
| 22. | Yorkshire Water                                     | Re testing of sewer in BEP to rear of 16 The Links  |
| 23. | SLCC/Shaws  | Publication catalogues  |
| 24. | WMDC  | Central Wakefield Area Action Plan Pre Examination meeting 23 Oct 2008                            |

- Resolved:** (1) That John Oxley be asked for a progress report (3).  
(2) That the Clerk enquire about the remit of SMP Playgrounds (5).  
(3) That Councillors Daniels contact Mr and Mrs Clarke (11)  
(4) That Councillor Daniels attend the LDF extra hearing session on 8 December 2008 (29).  
(5) That further details of the Central Wakefield Area Action Plan be sought (24)  
(6) That the remaining correspondence be noted.

## 191/08 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council noted the planning applications before them.

## 192/08 TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Councillor Colley gave a comprehensive update on issues dealt with in the parish including speed limit repeater signs, flooding matters and anti social behaviour at Aberfield Drive.

#### **193/08 UPDATE ON PARISH MATTERS**

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

#### **194/08 PARISH MATTERS**

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

- (i) Need for road marking to deter parking across the access of 34 High Street
- (ii) Misuse of security cameras on Church View
- (iii) Speeding on Wood Lane/Boyne Hill
- (iv) Overflowing restaurant bins, parking on footway, unauthorised shed at Newmillerdam

**Resolved:** That the Clerk contact WMDC in respect of items (i) and (iv), the District Councillors pursue item (ii) and the police be asked pursue item (iii).

#### **195/08 TO DISCUSS ARRANGEMENTS FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – LAYING OF WREATHS**

**Resolved:** That Councillor Mrs Norris lay a wreath at the Newmillerdam Memorial at 10.00 am and that Councillor Peebles lay a wreath at St James Church, Chapelthorpe at 10.30 am on Sunday 9 November 2008.

#### **196/08 INPUT FOR PARISH LINK MAGAZINE**

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

#### **197/08 TO APPROVE ITEMS FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL WEB SITE**

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

#### **198/08 PRESS REPORTS – ITEMS FOR PUBLICATION**

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

#### **199/08 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 4 November 2008.

#### **IN PRIVATE**

None.

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

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

# CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

**7.00 pm Crigglestone Village Institute, Tuesday 7 October 2008**

Six members of the public were present. Canon Ian Gaskell proposed the idea of a certificate to be awarded, possibly on an annual basis, to unsung heroes in the community and it was agreed to consider the proposal at the November meeting. Residents from Aberfield Drive drew attention to significant anti social behaviour in their area and suggested the closure of a ginnel where youths congregated. The police were already aware of the situation but would follow it up again. Another resident noted a car which had been damaged at Castle Meadows: it had been reported to the police. A resident, who had attended the September meeting to suggest a cul-de-sac sign for Barker Road, asked if there was any reply to his query. The Clerk said she had brought this matter to the attention of the Highway Authority but had received no reply to date.