

# Little Houghton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2007

**Present:** Mr J. Betton (Chairperson)  
Mrs J. Jones  
Mrs J. Harris  
Mrs B. Turner  
Mrs J. James (Clerk to the Council)

## Attended:

### 1. Apologies

Apologies were accepted from Cllr Ron Fisher.

### 2. Minutes of previous meeting 1<sup>st</sup> October

The minutes of the above meeting were agreed as a correct record.

### 3. Matters Arising

#### Traffic calming Rotherham Road, Middlecliffe Lane & Charles Street

Mr Carnall has responded to advise that a solid white lines will be painted around the chicanes on Rotherham Road to reinforce them and that he is awaiting the results of traffic survey work. Concern was repeated over the heavy flow of traffic.

The results of the speed/volume survey on Middlecliffe Lane show that there is insufficient traffic to justify traffic calming however the average speeds are 40-45mph and will be managed by speed enforcement by the South Yorkshire Safety Camera Partnership.

The results of speed/volume survey on Charles Street do not show either volumes or speeds of traffic high enough to justify traffic calming

#### Park Springs Road – completion of tree planting & reinstatement work.

Barnsley MBC have responded to advise that tree planting will commence in November.

Concern was raised that someone has cut hedges back and undertaken shredding work and damaged saplings. **Action** Clerk to draw this to the attention of Gary Handley.

#### Chains on play equipment Little Houghton & Health & Safety checks on Playground Equipment

Mr Williams Director of Service advised that Jo Birch would make arrangements for annual inspections at a cost of £42.30. It is assumed this will be added to the inspection cycle.

#### Rotherham Road land at side of Post Office

Nothing further has been heard about locating a large tree, agreed to wait until the New Year and consider approaching BT for a telegraph post.

#### Middlecliffe Playground

In October Barnsley MBC advised they would place an order for the waste bin to be refixed into place, this work is still outstanding. **Action** Clerk to write and remind.

#### 4 Charles Street

The Clerk has written to Berneslai Homes on behalf of Mrs Taylor to ask that the unstable concrete coalbunker be removed. No contact has been made, **action** Mrs Jones to forward the letter.

#### Post around seating outside Post Office

Mrs Turner advised that workman visited whilst she was on holiday, the loose post has been cemented and whilst they were aware that one post was in her safekeeping the hole has been filled and bricked over. **Action** Clerk to write and ask for the post to be reinstated.

#### Bus Shelters – Rotherham Road

The bus shelters have been cleaned.

#### Damaged picnic table

Mr Betton to remind Mr Gerrard to carryout the repair.

#### Dog Fouling

This is still an issue however without details of dog owners' enforcement action is problematic.

### 4. Correspondence

Barnsley MBC Planning Application 21 Mary Street – no objection

Barnsley MBC Planning refusal 1A Rotherham Road

Barnsley MBC – Parish Council web pages – proposal to include a parish boundary map,

Mrs Jones confirmed that the minutes are on the web

Barnsley MBC – Maylor's Parlour invitation to Carol Service 13<sup>th</sup> Dec - noted

Standards Board – Request to confirm acceptance of revised Code of Conduct -Clerk to action

SYPTe – National Travel Concession scheme, Bus Changes Oct

Barnsley MBC – Borough/Parish Council Liaison 18<sup>th</sup> October minutes - noted.

## Action

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| <b>5. Finance</b>  | <b>£</b>  |
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| <b>Accounts are due for payment from:</b>  |           |
| Mr. Gerrard Payment Oct/Nov  | 86.20     |
| Middlecliffe Club – Nov rent   | 20.00     |
| <b>Income received</b>   |           |
| No income was received   |           |
| <b>Financial Statement</b>   |           |
| Current Account  | 448.59    |
| Investment Account   | 13,550.00 |
| There was unanimous agreement to the payment of the above accounts.                                      |           |
| <b>6. Any other business</b>   |           |
| <b>SYPT</b>  |           |
| Stagecoach buses will be on strike for the next 4 Mondays.   |           |
| <b>7. Date of next meeting</b>   |           |
| The next meetings will be held at 7pm on <b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2007</b> in Middlecliffe WMC. |           |

Cc to Ccls R Fisher, T Smith, D. Wainwright

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