

Tankersley Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of Tankersley Parish Council held on 19th November 2007.

In attendance were: Mrs H Reckless (Chair) Mrs. P. Clegg, Mrs M Clegg, T Woods, Mr M Holden, Mr A. Belk, Mr R Garforth, Ms C Smart and Mrs H Charlesworth (Clerk)

1. Apologies for absence were received from, Mr W Jones, Mrs T Brotton and Mr P Simpkin.
2. The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 October 2007 were circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read and the chair was authorised to sign them.

3. Matters Arising

- 3.1 Broad Ings, Clerk confirmed that Len Carr has written to TPC with details of people who may be able to help with the Thinning Out of the Woodland. Agreed for Clerk to retain this information until next summer, work to be carried out next Autumn. To set as an agenda item at next meeting to discuss financial and safety implications AGREED.
- 3.2 Parish Newsletter, The Autumn issue has almost been distributed, still a few to be delivered. NOTED.
- 3.3 Highways Issues. Clerk confirmed a reply has been received from Alan Carnall in acknowledgement of the Footpath request at New Road. This is to be investigated. NOTED.
- 3.4 Moor Lane Footpath, clearance of vegetation growing into the footpath has been reported to Paul Caswell, after speaking with Thelma Brotton this work is in progress NOTED.
- 3.5 Planning Issues, Plot B DCUK, Wentworth Park Industrial Estate, Richard Garforth confirmed a recent conversation with Peter O'Brien, that there will be an appeal from the developers Revised plans are to be resubmitted. The height of the warehouses is to be reduced, amongst other factors i.e. access routes etc. BMBC are awaiting revised plans. NOTED

4. Financial Matters

A. Expenditure	I) Clerks Salary November 2007	£241.05
	ii) Clerks Expenses October 2007	£ 64.01
	iii) Hot Metal Press (Newsletter)	£140.00
	iv) Dee Bees DIY	£ 75.00
	v) BMBC Park Hire/ Gala	£ 50.50
	vi) BMBC Park Hire / Bonfire	£ 55.00
	vii) BDO Stoy Hayward, Audit Fees	£182.13

B.Income

Interest on Deposit Account October 2007	£81.69
Allotment Rent Recd	£66.00

C. Current Account and Deposit Account Statements as at 30 October 2007

Current	£1,840.83
Deposit	<u>£22,731.47</u>
	<u>£24,572.30</u>

D. Other Financial Matters

External Audit, Clerk confirmed that the External Audit has been approved. Clerk to Post official approval on Parish Notice Boards. The Clerk read out the points for concern from the Auditors re the Fidelity Guarantee. The Council felt that they were happy with the financial risk assessment, but as the Auditors have recommended it they should look in to this. After some discussion it was agreed that the Clerk should speak to the Insurance Company to find out what the premium will increase by and to report and the next meeting. AGREED.

Also, the Clerk read the instructions from a letter regarding a preferred date for next years Audit. The Council agreed to stay as close to present timescales as possible. AGREED.

Internal Audit, after receiving a successful Audit the Clerk asked if the council were happy to provide a gift to Mrs Sue Schubert for her efforts with the Internal Audit , the council agreed for the Clerk to spend £15.00 on a suitable bottle. AGREED

Finance Review. The Clerk presented the information requested at the last meeting to be able to review expenditure over the previous 5 years. Discussion continued around the amounts which have been spent in previous years, and what would be available to spend in the future. The Tennis courts fencing in Pilley Pocket Park is in urgent need of repair, awaiting costings from Jo Birch at BMBC. (Jo Birch to attend Dec meeting) Cllr Mrs Helen Reckless pointed out that some of the youths from the village are keen to be involved in the repairs to the Tennis Courts; and that they may get involved and apply for a grant. They will come to the PC for support if necessary. It was agreed that repairs to the Tennis Courts should go to Tender. This is to be discussed at the next meeting with Jo Birch.

5. Planning Applications

1. 2007/1727 Premier Travel Inn, "Wentworth", Maple Road, Tankersley S75 3DL, No Objections , No Observations.

2. 2007/1716 The Cottage Unit 3) Glebe Farm, Tankersley Lane, Barnsley. Demolition of side and rear extension, Construction of 2 storey rear extension and alterations to existing building. No Objections , No Observations.

3. 2007/1817 Erection of 1 single storey dwelling, land adj to 31 Green Lane, Off Tankersley Lane, Tankersley. Objections re dangerous access and observations re encroachment on to Greenbelt boundary, Clerk to write to Planning

Cllr Helen Reckless asked that it should be noted that she has received a number of comments from local residents that they were very disappointed that Railway Cottages had recently been demolished. NOTED

6.Parish Plan

a) Parish Newsletter- Cllr Terry Woods confirmed that he will work on the next Newsletter, January 08- Winter Edition, deadline for articles agreed as 21 January 2008. Regarding the Distribution of the Newsletter, Cllr Richard Garforth proposed a Distribution List be drawn up, to assist with the distribution in future Cllr Pat Clegg seconded.

b)Village Design Statement- Cllr Terry Woods pointed out that no further progress had been made. Due to the time of the year it would be difficult to get better photos. Cllr Richard Garforth suggested being able to help with the photos. Agreed.

c) Tankersley Peace Garden – The Clerk provided information supplied by Cllr Andy Belk re : War Memorials and campaigns/ grants available to help maintain them. Information supplied relates more specifically to Monuments and standing plaques rather than a garden. The Clerk confirmed having spoken to Thyme Gadren Maintenance, the work required is too big a job for this company. Discussions continued around what needs to be done in the garden., ie; Trees and Shrubs need pruning, a general tidy up a least twice a year. Cllr Terry Woods suggested TPC should obtain at least 3 quotes. Agreed for Clerk to obtain 3 quotes. Cllr Pat Clegg suggested having an official launch once the garden has been renovated, in an attempt to advertise it.

d) Webpages

The Clerk pointed out that a link on the Boroughs webpage now exists, and supplied details of web address. The Clerk asked the council if they were happy to have their personal details displayed on the web link. It was agreed that the names only, of the current councillors should appear . Clerk agreed to inform Ian Turner at BMBC.

Tankersley Web Page. - Richard Garforth explained the process he has been looking into. The information would be used as a Blog. The Costs would be minimal, between £9/16 per annum. The information to be included could be e-mailed by all councillors, Static information, ie Agendas etc could be displayed. It would be a one way transmission from PC to community, although there is a facility where people can e-mail back. Cllr Helen Reckless asked Cllr Richard Garforth if it possible to do a mock up of this arrangement for the January 08 meeting. AGREED

7.Group Reports

TCA - Cllr Mrs Marjorie Clegg confirmed that the recent Parish Bonfire raised £572.55. Cllr Mrs Helen Reckless passed on her Thanks to all who helped at the successful event. Cllr Jock Jones asked it to be known that Paul Caswell and team had taken debris away after the event, and to pass on thanks to Cllr John Wilson. The Association are still awaiting estimates for the Fire Doors at the Welfare Hall.

It was reported that Graffiti has been sprayed on the rear wall at the Welfare Hall, Clerk to report to Neighbourhood Pride. AGREED.

Area Forum

Penistone East/West - No member of the council attended.

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Hoyland Milton / Rockingham Birdwell School, Cllr Andy Belk and Cllr Jock Jones attended the last meeting and reported on outcomes including SNT crime statistics, and Andy Belk raised the question of Speed Control signs along the A6135.

Next Forum Meeting is Wednesday 12 December 2007 in the Welfare Hall at Tankersley.

Forge Partnership

Cllr Helen Reckless attended and reported on outcomes including that there is money available (Borough led) from lottery funding and they were looking for a building to be suggested. Rockingham Community Hall was suggested and the Partnership agreed to support this.

Correspondence

SYPTE, Letter and enclosures re Bus service changes. NOTED

RMBC, Rotherham LDF, Noted, Clerk to file.

Mayor's Parlour, Invitation to Civic Carol Service. NOTED

Standards Board for England, letter re Code of Conduct. Clerk to Reply.

Groundwork Dearne Valley, Letter & Brochure. NOTED

Penistone E & W Area Forum- Think Local Results, Noted

LCR Newsletter, Iss'd to Cllr T Woods

BMBC, Parish & Town Council Charter, Clerk to e-mail a copy to each councillor.

Lates

Any Other Business

- a) Highways Issues - Hermit Hill, Road erosion is still o/s and the Bollards on the bend at the top of Pilley Hill are still missing. No entry signs at New Rd/ Westwood New Rd are still missing (one turned wrong way). There are a number of Pot Holes on New Road, again. Clerk to report all issues to Highways. AGREED.
- b) Waste Bins, a continuing problem of bins not being replaced correctly. Clerk to write to Waste Management at BMBC for clear definition of where bins can be collected from and replaced, requesting the attendance of a representative at a future PC Meeting.
- c) Bellground House, a new paddock has been installed here which crosses over a footpath. Clerk to write to Mr Barber -Lomax at Wentworth Estates and Footpaths at BMBC. AGREED
- d) Quad Bikes are using the land at the back of Lidgett Grange, Clerk to write to Mr Barber – Lomax.
- e) Wall Fallen over at the side of A6135, close to Lidgett Grange, Network rail have confirmed it is not their responsibility, need to ascertain who this land belongs to. Clerk to contact BMBC.
- f) Police Issues, a car has been positioned at the side of the Road "FOR SALE", close to the junction near to Lidgett Garage, to be reported to the Police.
- g) Christmas Tree Lights. Cllr Mark Holden suggested that the PC could buy some new lights, it was agreed that 2 new sets of lights should be purchased. Clerk to liaise with Cllr Jock Jones. AGREED.
- h) Tank Top Bridge, there is some lights out on the footbridge, and also there is more Graffiti.
- i) Christmas Party, Cllr Mrs Marjorie Clegg requested any offers of help would be appreciated at the Childrens Christmas Party on Friday 7 December 2007. NOTED
- j) Moor Lane Footpath, the lights are still out along the path, and the gate is permanently shut, appears broken. Clerk to report to Neighbourhood Pride. AGREED
- k) Litter Bins, by the layby on A61, Nr Jct 36 (old Bus stop) 2 available from Penistone Neighbourhood Pride. Paul Caswell will erect, may charge £50 for this, but will ensure that they are emptied. Information supplied by Cllr Jock Jones.

- l) Allotments- Mr Peter Clarney has tendered his resignation, but may need time to clear his equipment etc, due to recent injury.
- m) Dog Bins, one of the bins in Pilley Pocket Park has no liner in it, therefore deposits are falling straight through. Clerk to report to BMBC.
- n) Cllr Mark Holdden asked if it would be possible to have bins installed at the recreation ground on Lidgett Lane, Clerk to make enquiries.

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.33 PM, date of next meeting Monday 17 December 2007.