

**MEETING OF THE DUNFORD PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, CROWEDGE  
ON THURSDAY, 6 MARCH 2008 AT 7.30 pm**

**PRESENT:** Councillors - A Pestell (Chair), B Cockburn, V Parkin, L Devons, and A Kaye  
J Cooke – Clerk and Minute taker

**Attendance:** Amos Kaye, Darren Rothery, Mary Smith, Margaret Wainwright (Youth Leader)

**1) APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr M Drewry, Cllr Hinchliff (BMBC) and Cllr J Whitehead due to illness.

**2) MINUTES OF 7/2//08 FOR APPROVING AND ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Minutes of meeting held on 7/2/08, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members, were submitted.

A number of issues were raised on accuracy of Minutes and information omitted (whilst Clerk was on Holiday). These were addressed and noted by Clerk for amendments to be done and brought back to next meeting for approval.

It was agreed that in future anyone who writes the notes for DPC meeting also types them.

Request made for Parish Community Centre item be put further up the agenda and to be provided with Utility costs so they can be monitored. This was agreed

Chair said he would rescind item 11.5 in February Minutes regarding the Executive Committee because it was not worth the trouble it had caused. This was done after a vote of Members were taken and none were against this.

Darren Rothery requested he wanted to read a statement out at beginning of meeting but this was declined by the Chair who did not want a precedent to be made. He did however, say that he would allow this statement at an appropriate time in the meeting or under AOB.

**3) MATTERS ARISING**

**3.1 Update on Newsletter distribution. Confidentiality of Polling Lists**

**To look at advertising to raise money for printing and widen circulation – Cllr Kaye**

Most of the circulation was now completed and a further 40 requested.

Cllr Kaye's request to look at advertising in the Newsletter next time was welcomed and it was agreed Clerk will raise this 3 months before next issue to allow time to follow this up.

Clerk passed on request from BMBC Electoral Office to treat the use of the Polling Lists, given to Councillors to help with circulation of Newsletter, as confidential.

**3.2 Crowedge Playground repairs – To consider estimate for repairs from NEP**

In response to reports from Cllr Devons weekly inspections of playground and reporting minor repairs that need doing an estimate was obtained by the Clerk for this work. NEP quoted £30 on small repairs of 2/3 hrs + cost of materials. Larger repairs to negotiate price with DPC.

To complete within 7 days or immediately if urgent. This was noted and Chair requested a 2<sup>nd</sup> quote from Mr John Stanley. Clerk to follow up.

Cllr Devon reported on her weekly check that a concrete rock needed to be removed from the grassed area and that padlocks were needed on machinery gate. (Clerk to obtain these + 4 keys). She said the Youth Shelter, which was a temporary loan, was not being used correctly and had been grafitted. It was decided to arrange for this to be returned. Clerk to arrange.

She also gave Clerk a report on weekly checks from December 2007. These will be filed.

**3.3 BMBC Application for renewal of Discretionary Charitable Relief – Members to Note**

This annual application for renewal of Discretionary Charitable Relief for the Community Centre was noted and will be filled in and returned by the Clerk.

**3.4 Youth Club & Crowedge Playground Insurance See Appendix 1**

**- Honorarium and Workers Payments workers outside of Club - Cllr Parkin**

A copy of letter to Margaret Wainwright, Youth Leader and Cllr Cockburn, Treasurer was given to all Members (App 1). This explained that if the Youth Club is monitored by Parish Council via - Youth Leader giving reports in DPC Meetings occasionally; the Treasurer presenting audited annual accounts; ensuring CRB checks are done on staff; and this is Minuted, then DPC Insurance will cover them. (Except for equipment)

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The same applies with the Crowedge Playground via ROSPA checks each year, weekly Checks done and recorded, then reported at DPC Meetings.

**Honorarium** - Margaret was asked to leave the meeting whilst this was discussed.

Cllr Parkin asked the meeting to review and consider an Honorarium payment for Margaret in recognition of the work she does running the Youth Club. This was agreed and Cllr Cockburn, as Treasurer, gave the meeting an update of the Accounts, £300, to help them to decide on a figure. This was set at £200 and a cheque made out.

Margaret returned and she was told they would finish this at the end of the meeting.

A request was made to ensure the CRB forms are completed on all Youth Worker volunteers ASAP. Clerk was asked to complete these which she will arrange to do with Margaret.

Cllr Cockburn asked if she could remove Lucy's name from the bank account because she had not worked for the Youth Club in over 6 months. This was agreed.

Chair pointed out to Members that they are not entitled to claim costs on work incurred on Council business completed within the Parish, other than cash paid out. Claims can only be made for work outside of the Parish.

### **3.5 National Grid, Woodhead Cable Replacement Works Meeting 21/2/08**

Clerk handed out copies of her rough notes and requested that Members check out any item of concern before following it up to ensure accuracy due to technical implications involved.

She asked Members to note plans for new building at beginning of tunnel. Cllr Drewry gave his views at meeting that this did not fit in with the character of the area.

National Grid plan to hold a Public Meeting in the near future and will try to bring their interaction display. DPC will be contacted in April 2008 regards starting the Liaison Meetings. Local people told NG they would like to be involved in all this.

### **3.6 Combined Members Meeting, Wind Farm Monies - Cllr Parkin**

Cllr Parkin said she felt they that this meeting leaned to discussions on monies when it was said at an earlier DPC Meeting to leave monies out at this early stage. Could DPC enquire for themselves about monies for the time being The Chair said this kept being raised and discussions on this dominated the meeting.

A complaint was made that the Developer (Pears) held an exhibition in Penistone and that no letters were sent out locally or in the locality within which it was planned for.

Cllr Cockburn expressed concerns that Wind Farms plans were coming through in pockets all over the area and that BMBC did not appear to have any Policy for these.

It was agreed to call another Combined Members Meeting and then arrange a meeting with BMBC regarding not having a policy on this.

D Rothery asked about legislation on % of profits because when he asked EON about this he was not happy with their reply. Chair said Legislation came from Government to soften building of Wind Turbines by including this in any application to be worked out on the profit. Though he thought it unlikely monies would be available that they had quoted.

#### **4) DPRA Meeting 21/2/08 – Report on meeting. See Appendix 2 from L Cooke and Clerk**

Lindsey Cooke said she did not think there would be any point in attending until Members resolved issues on new Committees and were able to give her remit on what they wanted her to do. Clerk agreed and neither attended meeting to allow this to be discussed and sorted out. It appeared Members wanted her to continue and a meeting was planned for 27/3/08. Now her 3 Months contract has ended this will need to be addressed.

Please refer to end of Item 2) in Minutes stating there would now be no Executive Committee.

#### **5) CORRESPONDENCE**

**5.1 YLCA Information on Post Office Closures, Mins of 10 & 20 Oct 07** –Copies to Reps  
- Info on web site for Plunket Foundation on self help for Rural England - Noted

**5.2 PPPF Affordable Housing Conference Sat 12/4/08 Bakewell** – Copies given to Reps

**5.3 Travel South Yorkshire – Introducing Yorcard Technology**

Pilot scheme testing out Yorcard that people can purchase and scan on boarding the bus.

Booklet passed to Cllr Parkin for reading.

**5.4 BMBC – Barnsley/Doncaster/ Rotherham Joint Strategic Waste Development Plan**

On BMBC web site: [www.barnsley.gov.uk/wastedpd](http://www.barnsley.gov.uk/wastedpd). Booklet/questionnaire passed to Cllr Devons and Members given copy of leaflet. Cllr Cockburn said green waste has been taken on by farms and if they process and spread it on their own land they do not need a waste management licence.

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**5.5 Magazines** - Handed out

**5.6 Penistone East & Penistone West Area Forum Minutes 13/2/08**

Item on P7 was noted regarding wrong size drainage pipe work used by BMBC at Townhead causing flooding. Photographs of icy road due to gritting problems have been sent to BMBC.

**6) DUNFORD PARISH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

**6.1 Minutes on last meeting DPC Meeting App 3** – Noted. Darren reported that Crest Interiors had been back to put ceiling right that had not be completed properly and left spare tiles. Expenditure on new PA Equipment had been agreed and next dance will be Easter.

**6.2 Consideration of payment towards utility bills**

Clerk to forward Accounts for year 2007/08 when completed and previous years to Darren so that DPCA can get an idea on utility costs for Centre.

**6.3 Clerk has handed over all paperwork/Accounts/Bank Papers to Darren Rothery new Secretary/ Treasurer** - This was noted.

Further request from Darren to read his statement –Chair said it would have to be at the end.

**7) PLANNING**

**2008/0171 - Erect 3 turbine wind farm, Hght 101M to blade top including substation building, anemometer mast and ancillary infrastructure at Blackstone Edge (EON)**

No one was in favour of this planning application and a reply with the following objections will be forwarded to BMBC –

- Accumulative visual affect on area.
- Concerns that there is no BMBC policy on Wind Turbines
- Birds in area - Curlew breeding ground and oyster catchers in the area.
- Possible affect of bird strikes by turbines in general
- Hydrology in area.
- Model Aircraft Group use site nearby and which will affect them.

Cllr Cockburn said she was not in total agreement against wind turbines but had concerns on their inconsistencies.

**2007/2070** - Importing inert waste material for construction of private access track.

At Eltock Farm, Cliff Lane, Carlecotes

**2008/0149** - Erect detached dormer bungalow/garage, Land adj Bents End Crowedge

**2008/0250** - Conversion of barn to 2 dwellings. Home Farm, Carlecotes

**2008/0306** - Erection of single storey and 2 storey extensions to dwelling to form

granny annex. Green Acres, Bedding Edge Road, Hepworth

**Peak Park - NP/S/0108/0045 Installation of 40kva generator and ancillary equipment at National Grid compound, Windle Edge, Dunford Bridge**

The above 5 applications were discussed and noted with no objections raised.

**Previous Applications** - Hazlehead Farms display signs approved; Erection of 2 storey front extension (resubmission) at Moorland View, Bents Rd, Crowedge has been refused.

**8) ACCOUNTS** – Agreed for payment and 8.3, cheques signed.

**8.1 Expenditure Estimate for 2008/09 – See Appendix 4** -

**8.2 DPC Insurance Renewal** - Details of 2 Insurance quotes handed out to Members

**8.3 Re-issue of Cheque £50 Beevers Ground Maintenance**

**9) AOB**

Time did not allow Items 8.1, 8.2 and AOB to be finalised, these will be put on next Agenda. This left no time for Darren's statement but he reported he was not happy how he thought Doreen and he had been treated and that under the Freedom of Information Act he would like to see council documents. The Chair asked him to let him know what he wanted to see and a suitable time would be arranged for this to be done.

Margaret Wainwright was presented with an Honorarium payment of £200 for her work with the Youth Club. She was pleased and thanked everyone for this.

**10) DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING (3 April 2008 – Annual Assembly**

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ACCOUNTS  
DPC Meeting 6/3/08

DPC Insurance	To be decided on
Mary Horn - Cleaning	£12 (2 hours)
Joan Cook – Clerk’s Salary	£293.61 (Expenses incl £38.61)
Npower – Electric for Centre	£60.05
BMBC – Printing of Newsletters	£154
Yorkshire Water – Water for Centre	£49.10

Beevers Ground Maintenance – Cutting grass in playground £50

A cheque was forwarded for this work in Nov 07 and they say they have had problems with bank failing to submit it. This has not cleared through our bank which is how it came to be noted and has been re-issued.

To note £30 refund from Calor Gas for signing up with them at a fixed price

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