

# Little Houghton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2008

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

**Attended:** Cclr Ron Fisher

## Action

### 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mrs J. Jones.

### 2. Minutes of previous meeting 7<sup>th</sup> July

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

### 3. Matters raised by residents

**Agreed** that 10 minutes will be identified as the beginning of the meeting for members of the public to ask questions and that whilst they were welcome to stay for the remainder of the meeting this should be as observers and that they would not be permitted to contribute to discussions. There were no questions to the meeting.

### 4. Matters arising

#### Proposed Development in Little Houghton

The Clerk updated on proposals for UK Coal to present their proposals for development to Parish Councillors and interested parties in the Parish towards the end of September. Cclr Fisher updated on his efforts to bring together discussions between Highways and UK Coal over access arrangements from the bypass.

#### Traffic calming Rotherham Road.

There has still been no response from Mr Carnall with an indication as to when the promised painting of the solid white lines around the chicanes on Rotherham Road would take place and for details of the results of the further speed survey were available. **Agreed** no further action.

#### Play equipment Little Houghton & Health & Safety checks on Playground Equipment

**Agreed** to accept Lightmain leisure's quote for the replacement of the wooden access ramp. Mr Gerrard has removed the wooden stump on the trim trail.

JJ

### 5. Correspondence

Barnsley MBC Planning decisions – noted  
Barnsley MBC – Local Development Framework – noted  
Barnsley MBC – Joint Strategic Waste Development Plan – noted  
Barnsley MBC – Parish Council liaison meeting - noted  
Post Office Closure proposals – noted  
Mencap – seeking donations - noted  
MacMillan cancer support – Biggest Coffee Morning – noted  
YLCA – ballot for additional parish representatives – noted

### 6. Finance

#### Accounts are due for payment from:

Barnsley MBC Grounds Maintenance	£ 479.06
Barnsley MBC Playground Inspections Little Houghton	308.43
Mr. Gerrard Payment July/Aug/Sept	248.40
Mrs James Fee July/Aug/Sept	225.00
BDO Stoy Hayward	58.75
Middlecliffe Club – July rent	20.00

#### No Income received

#### Financial Statement

Current Account	666.72
Investment Account	12,050.00

There was unanimous agreement to the payment of the above accounts.

#### Audit of Accounts 2007/08

BDO Stoy Hayward have complete the audit, the issues raised were level of reserves, date of valuation of land owned by the PCouncil and level of fidelity guarantee, **agreed** to take no action. The Notice of Audit will be displayed in the Parish.

## **7. Co-option of Parish Councillors**

Mrs Jones resignation was accepted **agreed** the Clerk write to Janette to thank her for her contribution as Parish Councillor.

JJ

Interest in co-option has been made by Mr Keating and Ms Seymour both nominated by Mr Betton, seconded by Mrs Turner and co-opted by unanimous agreement. **Action** Clerk to write to the co-optees.

JJ

## **8. Any other business**

### **Proposed building development r/o 64 & 66 Middlecliffe Lane**

Developers are seeking informal feedback on the proposed residential development, **agreed** no objections.

JJ

### **Trees on Kingstocks footpath**

The trees along the footpath are overgrown **action** Clerk to write to Neighbourhood Pride to ask they be cut back.

JJ

### **50 Rotherham Road – wall to the square**

A resident has raised concerns that the wall is unsafe, agreed Cclr Fisher to make contact with the resident and address with Berneslai Homes.

RF

### **Antisocial behaviour Windsor Crescent**

A number of incidents of antisocial behaviour were raised and the increased police presence noted although we would wish for further presence.

## **9. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting **6<sup>th</sup> October 2008** in Middlecliffe WMC.

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

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

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