

## KIRBY HILL AND DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

(incorporating Kirby Hill, Milby, Thornton Bridge, Humberton & Ellenthorpe parishes)

**MINUTES** of the parish council meeting held at 7.00pm on 11 January, 2016, in the Coronation Hall, Milby (Notice having been given)

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Helliwell (Chairman), Lawson, Lister, Merson, Parr, Smailes, Widdows, Wilkinson, NYCCllr Windass and Martin Rae (Clerk)

**1. APOLOGIES for absence:** DCllr Nick Brown

**2. CODE OF CONDUCT/REGISTER OF INTERESTS:** Cllr Lister – 8f

**3. MINUTES of the meeting** of 9 November, 2015, having been distributed previously, were accepted as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

**4. MATTERS ARISING:** None

### 5. FINANCE

**Clerk reported:**

- a) Balance at 11 January 2016 **£3,480.28**
- b) Coronation Hall rent of room: **£8.00 payment agreed**
- c) HMRC PAYE for Oct/Nov/Dec **£97.38 payment agreed**

### 6. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) **HBC – Elections Office** –Parish Council Elections information and nomination forms.  
The clerk handed out individual sets of nomination forms to councillors together with guidance notes from HBC and details about the elections on 5 May **ACTION ALL CLLRS WISHING TO STAND FOR ELECTION**
- b) **HBC – Council Tax Support Grant** The parish grant for 2016/17 will be £115 (to form part of the agreed £3,200 precept but to be accounted separately)
- c) **HBC – Changes to external audit procedures for 2017/18** – Parishes are required to opt in or out of the proposed new procedures for audit procurement by 31 March 2016. Clerk to study the new procedures, possibly in conjunction with neighbouring parish councils, and make a recommendation to the next meeting on 29 February. **ACTION CLERK**

### 7. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS & MEETINGS

- a) **NYCCllr Robert Windass** reported on the latest financial and budgetary position which was more serious than had previously been anticipated. The County Council had saved over £91m since the austerity cuts began but was now faced with having to find a further £82.5m by 2020. Council tax would probably be increased by 3.99%, largely due to the fact that responsibility for adult social services had been passed on to local authorities.  
The county had purchased a number of machines for pot-hole repair and these were proving to be very effective. While they result in significant staff savings they will not 'pay for themselves' for a few years due to high initial capital cost.
- b) **DCllr Nick Brown** No report. DCllr Brown had given his apologies.
- c) **Boroughbridge Library:** Cllr Helliwell (a member of the Committee negotiating with NYCC Library Service) reported that discussions with NYCC over the library's future status were very slow. Issues yet to be resolved include possible changes to the lease of the building. If Boroughbridge library were to become a community library this would not happen until at least April 2017 but several new volunteers had joined the team that currently operates the library on Wednesdays.
- d) **Emergency Committee:** Cllr Helliwell reported that the volunteer emergency team had been called out twice in the last month due to river flooding. He explained that matters were fairly straightforward to deal with to the north of the bridge but that problems with flooding in Hall Square and sewage backing up due to failure of Aldborough treatment works still needed resolving.

e) **Parishes Consultation Meeting 16 November** Cllr Widdows reported that that the meeting had not been attended by all councils that had tabled questions and that on this occasion un-tabled questions from the floor were permitted. He, like others who have attended previously, wondered about the value of these meetings.

## 8. ONGOING AND OTHER MATTERS – UPDATES

- a) **Village Green matters** – The clerk had received an email from the new owner of The Old School House who was concerned about the close proximity of one of the village green trees to her house and the way it made her rooms so dark. The Chairman asked councillors to view the tree and suggested that the decision on what to do could be made at the next meeting, 29 February. Clerk to report as appropriate to the owner of the property. **ACTION CLLRS & CLERK**
- b) **Grass cutting** – Cllr Smailes proposed that the first cut of 2016 should include collection and removal of the grass. This was because the mild wet winter had seen grass continue to grow quite vigorously. The clerk would discuss this with Aidan Foster. **ACTION CLERK**

## 9. PLANNING

- a) **6.36.6.D.DVCON 12/03921/DVCON**  
Thornton Manor Farm Cottages – Variations following work commencement  
*ONGOING*  
*OUTLINE GRANTED -AWAITING DETAILED APPLICATION – RESERVED MATTERS*
- b) **6.22.74.A.OUTMAJ 15/04164/OUTMAJ**  
**Gladman Developments Ltd**  
Outline applic for up to 145 dwellings with access considered, at land comprising field at 439826 457466 Milby  
*PENDING*
- c) **6.57.20.G.DVCON 15/04672/DVCON**  
Canalside, Milby, YO51 9BL  
Variation of condition 2 to allow re-orientation of dwelling  
*GRANTED*
- d) **6.47.21.H.DVCON 15/03527/DVCON**  
Blue Bell Caravan Park dwelling, Kirby Hill  
Deletion of conditions 6 and 7  
*GRANTED*
- e) **6.47.86.A.DVCON 15/03873/DVCON**  
Kirby House, Church Lane, Kirby Hill, YO51 9DR  
Removal of condition 4  
*GRANTED*
- f) **6.57.66.A.REMMAJ 15/05451/REMMAJ**  
Reserved matters application under permission 6.57.66.DVCMAJ for erection of up to 176 dwellings at field 439448 467406 Milby.  
*CLLRS voted 4 in favour of option A (NO OBJECTIONS) and 3 in favour of option C (NEITHER SUPPORT NOR OBJECT) Cllr Lister abstained. Clerk to submit council's decision as option A (NO OBJECTIONS)*
- g) **6.47.21.1.FUL 15/05422/FUL**  
The Bungalow, Blue Bell Caravan Park, Kirby Hill  
Conversion of garage with existing bedroom into self-contained flat  
*CLLRS HAD NO OBJECTION*

2016 Meetings **29 Feb 2 May 23 May (AGM) 11 Jul 12 Sept 7 Nov**  
Meeting ended at 7.52pm

Signed.....Date.....