

KIRBY HILL & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

(Incorporating: Kirby Hill, Milby, Thornton Bridge, Humberton and Ellenthorpe)

A meeting of the above Parish Council was held on 13 July 2010 in the Coronation Hall, Milby, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, due notice having been given. The meeting opened at 7.00 pm.

Present: Cllrs. Smailes(Chairman), Helliwell, Lister, Widdows, DCllr Brown and Martin Rae (Clerk)

1 Apologies: NYCCllr Watson, Cllrs McKenzie, Merson, Renfrew and Wilkinson

2 Code of Conduct: No expressions of interest

3 Minutes of the Meeting held 27 April 2010 had been distributed and were accepted as a true record and duly signed.

4 Finance

- a) Balance 13/07/10 - £2,818
- b) Grass Cutting **£340** first half yr inc 2 extra cuts @ £30 each. Payment agreed..
- c) Rent of room to pay **£8.00** plus **£10.00** for JPC rent of Church Surgery room 10 June. Both payments agreed
- d) Commuted Sums £243.45 received. (for Milby Locks trees)
- e) Precept £2,200 first half yr received.
- f) PWB Loan First half yr paid £728.64

5 Correspondence

- a) **NYCC Local Transport Plan Questionnaire**
Cllrs agreed that the clerk should complete this **ACTION CLERK**
- b) **NYCC Proposed Prohibition of Driving Order**
As the parish council had requested this (B6265 Layby) it would not submit comments/objection during the statutory consultation period. (See also 6b)
- c) **HBC Dept Resources Consultation meetings with parishes**
Kirby Hill & District was in the group that will meet on 11 October in Minskip Village Hall. Deadline for written questions 29 September (to be with Clerk by next PC meeting on 14 September) Cllr Helliwell agreed to attend and Cllr Smailes hoped also to be able to do so. **ACTION CLLRS HELLIWELL & SMAILES**
- d) **HBC Dept Community Services –Commuted Sums Training**
The clerk had attended the training course at Ripon on 8 July and had received the parish's up-to-date balance sheet. He has queried with Sean Wright of HBC the absence of any sums accruing from the Thornton Bridge development and will report back to the next meeting **ACTION CLERK**
- e) **HBC Dept Community Services Licensing Policy**
Consultation prior to issue of revised policy. Deadline 30 September. Any comments (from viewing policy and proposed amendments on HBC website) to be brought to next meeting on 14 September.
- f) **HBC Parks Division Daffodil bulbs**
The clerk had again accepted the annual offer of a sack of 300 bulbs (for collection in October). These could be planted on the layby mound, but other suggestions were welcome.
- g) **Emsleys Solicitors Claim against Parish Council**
This related to an incident in August 2009 when a visitor to a Coronation Hall function tripped in a pothole in the road alongside the Hall. The clerk had

replied to Emsleys and had copied all correspondence, reports, photos etc. to Mike Collins of the Hall's Management Committee and to AON, the Parish Council's insurers. He had said to Emsleys that the Parish Council was not liable but should they and their client wish to take the matter any further they should do so with Mike Collins of the Management Committee in the first instance. The Easement over the access road was actually between Russells Farm Machinery and the Parish Council (not the Management Committee) so it was probable that the parish council and its insurers might still be involved. The clerk and Mike Collins will continue to liaise over the issue and copy correspondence to each other and to the insurer (Allianz via AON) as appropriate.

ACTION CLERK

6 Clerk's/Councillors' Reports

a) Police Liaison – Cllr Helliwell, chairman of the Safer Neighbourhoods Group, reported. He was confident that the new group was becoming stronger and more focussed but there was still a tendency of representatives to bring specific local issues to the meetings rather than general topics/ideas. DCllr Brown congratulated John Helliwell on his major contribution to the success of the group and also reminded cllrs that the group's remit included Fire and Rescue. The PCT had also agreed to attend in future.

b) Allerton Park Incinerator – the chairman reported on the two meetings he had attended (at Allerton Castle and at Marton-cum-Grafton), both of which had been very well attended - by 160 and 100 respectively. NYCCllr John Watson's resume of the proposals was also discussed. The clerk had previously copied this to all members of the council. He also notified cllrs that a public consultation/exhibition was to take place in the Crown Hotel, Boroughbridge on 15 July. The parish council would at some point be asked to comment on the plans, which were due to be submitted by AmeyCespa in an application to NYCC at the end of 2010

c) Joint Parish Council The clerk reported that the next meeting was 16 Sept and would probably again be at Church Lane surgery. Cllr Helliwell would be unable to attend and chair the meeting and would ask Cllr Renfrew if she'd be able to take his place. The Incinerator project would most likely also be on the agenda for that meeting.

ACTION CLLR HELLIWELL

7 Ongoing matters/updates

a) Kirby Hill MSA – The clerk had been unable to attend the last RAMS meeting but reported that little had changed since his last report. It was likely that the Kirby Hill RAMS evidence would be heard at the inquiry in November or January 2011. He reported that a public consultation in Baldersby on one of the A61 junction MSA proposals had been very poorly attended

b) B6265 Lay-by - The Clerk and Cllr Wilkinson had both complained to NYCC Highways about the height of the earth mound being created in the layby. The original agreement between NYCC and the parish council had been for a natural looking mound of no more than 5 to 6 feet at its highest. NYCC Highways (Starbeck office) had given assurances that the height was temporary and that some of the earth would eventually be moved to another site.

c) Army Foundation College Task Force. DCllr Nick Brown had asked the College to provide a date on which the task force could be used across various projects in the local parishes. He would let parish councils know as soon as he had the date and would then hopefully have a number of

projects to be tackled. Possibilities in Kirby Hill parish were the overgrown footpath north from the Blue Bell towards the roundabout and the triangular corner at the southeastern edge of the cemetery which was very overgrown .

d) Grass cutting

As agreed at a previous meeting, when it was regarded by Kirby Hill councillors that extra cuts were needed it was just a matter of one of them contacting Aidan Foster direct. This had been done by Cllr Parr and two additional cuts had been done in the first half of the year. Mr Foster had alerted the clerk to the problem being caused by moles around the war memorial but the clerk had been unable, perhaps because of the dry conditions, to see any evidence of the problem. Mr Foster had also mentioned to the clerk that a stone mill wheel was coming to the surface close to the well. Cllr Smailes agreed to investigate this.

- e) Battle of Boroughbridge Tourism project.** The clerk reported on the progress of this project and the contributions from Boroughbridge and Langthorpe councils towards the cost of the two display panels (one in Langthorpe picnic area and one at Milby Locks). Having discussed the matter with Mike Collins, leader of the project, he wondered if the Kirby Hill & District council would also be amenable to pledging a small sum and Cllr Helliwell proposed £100, seconded by Cllr Widdows. The clerk would report this pledge to Mike Collins **ACTION CLERK**

8. PLANNING

a. 6.47.52.B.OUTMAJ(EIAMAJ) 08/05860/OUTMAJ(EIAMAJ)

Heather Ive Associates – MSA Kirby Hill see 7a

b. 6.47.75.D.FUL 10/02428/FUL

Mr K Lawson Homewood, Church Lane, Kirby Hill

Erection of single storey rear extension, covered access ramp and conversion of garage.

The Parish Council had let HBC Planning know that it had no objections.

AOB DCllr Nick Brown commented on the lack of any clear picture about the affordable housing requirement in the immediate area and reported that HBC would soon be undertaking another comprehensive Housing Needs Survey.

NEXT MEETINGS:

All 7.00pm Bradley Room, Coronation Hall

14 September 2010

9 November 2010

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

SIGNED..... DATE.....