

KIRBY HILL & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

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

A meeting of the above Parish Council was held on 9 November 2010 in the Coronation Hall, Milby, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, due notice having been given. The meeting opened at 7.10 pm.

Present: Cllrs. Smailes(Chairman), Helliwell, McKenzie, Merson, Parr, Wilkinson and Martin Rae (Clerk)

All Saints Close resident Mr Ott attended the meeting later for a couple of minutes to hand a plan of his property to the chairman [for an item that was not within Parish Council remit - following previous agreement that the issue of tree planting on the grass verge outside Mr Ott's property was between Mr Ott, the developer John Ellis and Harrogate Borough Council]

- 1 **Apologies:**, Cllrs Lister and Widdows, DCllr N Brown
- 2 **Code of Conduct:** Cllr Wilkinson 7a and 7b
- 3 **Minutes of the Meeting** held 14 September 2010 had been distributed and were accepted as a true record and duly signed.
- 4 **Finance**
 - a) Balance 9/11//10 - £3,858
 - b) Rent of room **£8.00** Payment agreed
 - c) Grass cutting AA Foster 2nd hlf yr inc 3 extra cuts **£370** Payment agreed
 - d) Precept 2nd hlf yr £2200 rec'd
 - e) Boroughbridge Communicare Donation **£25** proposed by Cllr Helliwell. seconded by Cllr Wilkinson Payment agreed.
 - f) NEDL Wayleave £42.38 rec'd
- 5 **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - a. HBC Dept Dev Services – Possible changes to discretionary scheme enhancements. These were noted
 - b. HBC Dept Corporate Policy – Budget Questionnaire 2011/12 - this was completed at the end of the meeting
 - c. HBC Dept Dev Services – Planning the Future of Your Village. Cllrs noted that the proposed possible exception site for up to 8 affordable homes was now to the north of The Grange rather than previously shown as north of Manor Drive.
 - d. HBC Senior Rural Housing Enabler – Proposed Strategic Housing Market Assessment. This survey was due to begin in Nov 2010 and help from the Parish Council might be requested. As some Cllrs had doubts about the need for affordable housing in Kirby Hill following the last (2006) survey this new survey hopefully would provide useful information for 5c. above.
 - e. HBC Dept Community Services – Waste Collection Review Briefing. The proposals for changes to waste and recycling collections across the district were noted.
 - f. Julian Smith MP – Role as Sec of All Party Group on Parish Councils. This was noted and the clerk was asked to reply that there was nothing at present that the Parish Council wished to have raised by the Group. **ACTION CLERK**
 - g. NYCCllr Watson – proposed revisions to Home to School transport policy – Cllrs considered that, of the three discretionary areas that might need considering for cutting, that concerned with transport for 16-19 yr olds with

special educational needs was the most worthy of protecting. Clerk to pass this on to NYCCllr Watson. **ACTION CLERK**

- h. NYCC WASTE PFI – invitation to comment. The clerk had drafted and copied to all Cllrs before the meeting a suggested objection based on financial and technical reasons. After considerable discussion it was agreed unanimously not to send any comments to NYCC as not enough reliable information about the proposal was known.
- i. NYCCllr Watson – Email regarding Church Lane ‘footpath’. This was confirmed as an unclassified ‘public highway’ with Road Number SK28R. An inspector was to look at the lane in early October and take action, as necessary, with landowners. Clerk was asked to check on progress. **ACTION CLERK**
- j. HBC – Parish Estimates 2011/12. It was agreed to keep the same precept as last year, at £4,400. Clerk to submit estimates to HBC. **ACTION CLERK**

6. CLERK’S/COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS AND MEETINGS

- a. Police Liaison/SNG - Cllr Helliwell reported that there had been a slight increase in the level of crime in the area but that levels were still very low. Efforts were being made to get the Kirby Hill Neighbourhood Watch more effective. Nikki Smith, the police’s liaison for NW’s, had attended the meeting. The Grantham Arms situation (unruly behaviour) was reported to have improved and it had been noted that the inn was now under new management.
- b. Harrogate Safety Partnership Conference – Cllr Helliwell had attended this and reported that it was not an evening well spent.
- c. Joint Parish Council – the Clerk reported that the next meeting would be on 9 December and asked that any agenda items should be passed to him asap.
- d. HBC Parishes Consultation Meeting 2 Oct - Cllr Smailes reported, with input from the other two attendees, Cllrs Helliwell and Merson. The three questions tabled by KHPC had not, due to an oversight by HBC, reached the agenda but were largely dealt with through answers to other questions. The question regarding provision of a DVD for clerk/councillor Code of Conduct training had already been answered in the negative (due to cost and too frequent updating)

7. ONGOING AND OTHER MATTERS

- a. **Kirby Hill MSA** application. The Clerk reported on behalf of the RAMS about the first week of the public inquiry, which opened in Ripon on 2 November
- b. **B6265 Layby and other Highways issues** the clerk reported on his ongoing and bureaucratic dealings with NYCC Highways over the licence to plant daffodil bulbs on the edge of the new mound. He was also in discussion about grass cutting responsibility for the area. NYCC Highways had repaired the Sion Hill pot-holed road and had promised to replace/repair the directional sign at the Church Lane-Dishforth road crossroads. They had also promised to remove the surplus 30mph signs in Church Lane near the school entrance.
- c. **Insurance claim v Parish Council** – Coronation Hall accident. News from the Coronation Hall Management Committee was promising. It looked as though there would not be a case against the Parish Council or the management committee. Still ongoing however.
- d. **Village Well** Cllr McKenzie was still concerned about the structure’s safety. It was agreed that the clerk would get a couple of estimates from local builders for repair. After discussion it was agreed not to request advice from English Heritage. There was praise for the research work done by Mrs Dooks and the clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks to her.

- e. **Dead Tree Milby** – No longer an issue since the tree had been removed by local farmer John Ward.
- f. **New Kirby Hill Vicar** Cllr Helliwell wondered how the parish council might ‘acknowledge’ the new vicar Rev Alison Askew. The clerk suggested that the outstanding ‘106 monies’ churchyard allocation was an area in which the PC and the vicar/PCC could possibly work together.

8. PLANNING

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

Heather Ive Assoc. Erection of MSA Kirby Hill

Appeal Ref 09/00043/REFPP

Now subject to Public Inquiry from 2/11/10

b. Planning Enforcement – 1 Market Hill Milby.

Concrete frame and timber panel fence to be removed.

NOTED by the council but some concern expressed since many other equally high fences existed in same road.

The meeting ended at 8.40pm

NEXT MEETING 18 January 2011 7.30pm Main Hall Coronation Hall

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