

**WARMFIELD – CUM – HEATH PARISH COUNCIL
EXTRACTS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 21 JANUARY 2009**

Public Participation – Cllr Fisher welcomed everyone to the meeting and declared it open for Public Participation.

Accordingly, Colin Aylward confirmed that the issue of a contribution towards the hire of the Community Centre was to be discussed at the next meeting of the Road Safety Committee, to be held on 4 February 2009.

Brian Stringer felt that the use of vehicle speed monitors, to give a visual message to motorists passing through Kirkthorpe, would be most beneficial, and he suggested that UK Coal could be approached in terms of contributing towards such a scheme. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to WMDC Highways on the subject.

Terry Allen reported that he had complained to the Police about the use of Croft Head by Transit Vans being driven at excessive speeds to no avail. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Inspector Jones at Normanton on this issue, and also to WMDC Highways in terms of any traffic calming measures which may be appropriate.

Clerks Progress Report – The Clerk reported on a number of issues as follows:

In terms of the “Pineapple Farm” site, there had been no further developments with regard to the Planning Application, and Cllr Barry Smith agreed to ask Ian Garrett to update the Clerk on the latest position.

The issue of the maintenance of the Burial Grounds at St Peter’s Church is covered under a specific Agenda item later in this report.

The proposed 40 mph speed limit on Crossley Street, Charlston Common has now been fully approved, and is now expected to be implemented within the next few weeks. The same also applies to the proposed Experimental Closure Order for Footpath No 4 across Heath Common.

Following discussions with WMDC Highways, a scheme to at least address the problem of the high kerbs outside St Peter’s Church, is promised during 2009.

WMDC Highways have also agreed to address the issue of weeds growing on Footways in Kirkthorpe.

Finance – The Clerk provided Members with an update on expected expenditure up to the end of the financial year, and also during 2009/2010. Accordingly, following discussion, it was resolved to retain the Parish Precept at the same level of £9000.00.

Planning Matters

The following Applications were discussed:

Old Hall, Heath – Proposed Extensions & Conversion – Decision Pending.

“Pineapple Farm”, Marshall Hill, Warmfield – Change of Use to Caravan Park etc.

(Retrospective) – Decision Pending.

5 Old Hall Cottages, Heath – Conversion/Extensions to form 3 Garages – Approved by WMDC.

Heath Hall Stables, Heath – Felling of 2 Poplar Trees – Approved by WMDC.

Lynfold Farm, Wakefield Road, Warmfield – Extension to Bungalow – Approved by WMDC.

St Peter’s Church, Kirkthorpe – Alterations to Church Hall – Approved by WMDC.

Went Farm, Warmfield – Amended Layout – Approved by WMDC.

Stables to Rear of Heath House, Heath – Triple Garage/Store, Stable Block, Revised Access, Wall/Gate & Landscaping (Re-Submission) – Decision Pending.

Welbeck Recycling Centre, Boundary Lane, Warmfield – New Facility Building & Security Fence etc – Decision Pending.

Goosehill Cottage, Warmfield Lane, Warmfield – Replacement Dwelling (Including Demolition of Existing) – Approved by WMDC.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Went Farm House, Warmfield Lane, Warmfield – Detached Double Garage – No Objections from PC.

27/27A Warmfield Lane (Land to Rear), Warmfield - 1 No Dwelling – No Objections from PC.

Crosshills Farm, Goosehill Lane, Warmfield – Replacement Double Garage – No Objections from PC.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Commons Liaison Committee – Cllr Fisher provided an update on the last meeting, with the main points of discussion being centred on the proposed Bylaws for the Commons, which have now been passed to WMDC Legal Department, and the availability of further logs for Heath Common.

Road Safety Committee – Cllr Crowther reported on the last meeting, held on 11 December 2008, with the main issue affecting the Parish being the suggested permitted use of the Bus Lane on Black Road by left turning vehicles. WMDC Highways are considering the matter.

Welbeck Liaison Committee - Cllr Wilby provided a report on the last meeting, held on 4 December 2008, and passed copies of the Minutes and Operations Report to the Clerk for inclusion in the next Members Packs. The next meeting is scheduled for 5 March 2009.

Sharlston Colliery Redevelopment Liaison Committee – The next meeting is to be held on 11 February 2009.

Kirkthorpe Playing Fields – The Clerk reported on the collapse of a length of the chain link fencing to the Playing Fields, and confirmed that this would be reported to WMDC.

Town & Parish Councils Liaison Group – The Clerk reported that the next meeting of this group has been changed to 25 February 2009.

Community Centre Sub-Committee – Following the last meeting, held on 12 January 2009, Cllr Habberjam reported that David Moffat has now formally taken over as Treasurer. He also confirmed that a formal arrangement has now been agreed for the use of the football pitch by Altofs FC Junior Section. It was agreed the official signs to warn against dog fouling should be erected. The next meeting has been fixed for 9 March 2009.

Parish Plan – A number of responses have been received following the leafleting exercise, and it was agreed that the special Public Meeting to discuss this project should take place, in the Community Centre, on 28 January 2009, at 7.00 pm. All Members were asked to attend.

Proposed Byelaws for the Commons – As previously stated, the Draft Byelaws have now been passed to WMDC Legal Department for due processing.

Maintenance of Burial Grounds – Following the Special Meeting held on 3 December 2008, the Clerk, as instructed, had written to the PCC asking for a contribution to the cost of maintaining the lower Burial Ground. In response the PCC had declined this request and asked that the Parish Council enter into a contract with them for maintaining the Upper Burial Ground. After discussion, it was agreed that the PCC should be informed that this latter request by declined and that the Parish Council's original offer be withdrawn. Details of the lowest Tender are to be passed to the PCC,

with a statement that the Parish Council may make a contribution to the cost of maintenance, which is, after all, the responsibility of the PCC.

Correspondence

The following items of Correspondence were reported upon:

- WMDC – The “Sentinel” Leaflet.
- CE Electric UK – Information Leaflet.
- YLCA – Rural Matters Leaflet.
- YHA – Mini-Essentials Leaflet.
- Communities & Local Government – Code of Recommended Practice.
- VOX – Communities Together – Review for 2007/2008.
- Clerks & Councils Direct – Extract re Planning Applications.

Additional Matters/Items for Next Agenda

- Cllr Sanderson reported on the proposed re-opening of the Kirkthorpe Post Office within the near future. It was expected that the Office would open for around 16 hours per week.

Date/Time of Next Meeting

It was confirmed that the next full meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on **18 February 2009** in the Community Centre, Kirkthorpe at 7.00 pm.

All Parishioners welcome to attend.