

**WARMFIELD – CUM – HEATH PARISH COUNCIL
EXTRACTS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 24 FEBRUARY 2010**

Community Centre – This Item was discussed prior to the main meeting. The Clerk presented a resume of the income and expenditure accounts to date, and also reported on the current situation with regards to both the heating and main drainage issues. He also reported on his attendance at a Workshop on Community Centre issues run by Community Cascade.

Public Participation – Colin Aylward confirmed that he was looking to organise a car rally on Heath Common, to be called Heath Classic Transport Rally, scheduled for 16 May 2010. It was agreed that the Parish Council would lend its support to the proposed rally.

A number of Parishioners complained about the use of Warmfield Lane in particular as a “rat-run” to avoid traffic congestion on Black Road. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to both WMDC and WY Police about the problems in both Warmfield Lane and Kirkthorpe Lane, particularly since the closure of “Footpath No 4”.

Clerk’s Progress Report – A number of issues were reported, as follows:

- The Hearing into the Appeal against the refusal of retrospective Planning Approval for development at “Pineapple Farm” was held at Castleford Civic Centre on 23 February 2010. The Hearing was attended by the Clerk and a number of Parishioners. The Inspector’s Report is now awaited.
- There have been no objections to the final implementation of the Vehicle Closure Order on “Footpath No 4”, and the installation of permanent bollards at the Black Road end is now awaited.
- The Clerk reported that the installation of village signs on all the road approaches to Warmfield is now expected very soon.
- The chain-link fencing, along the Kirkthorpe Lane frontage to the Playing Fields, has now been installed by WMDC.
- The logs requested for the Seal Farm area of Warmfield Common have now been provided free of charge by WMDC Natural Environment. They have also offered to provide two seats on Warmfield Common for £322. It was agreed to accept this offer.

Finance – The Clerk provided a statement on the financial position of the Parish Council, and presented appropriate cheques for payment. He also reported that the Parish Precept for 2010, in the sum of £10,000, has been approved by WMDC.

Planning Matters

The following Applications were discussed:

The Grange, Heath – Erection of a Stable Block – Permission not Required.

5 Freeston Avenue, Kirkthorpe – Disabled Access Ramp – Approved by WMDC.

West Farm (Plot 2), Warmfield Lane, Warmfield – Alterations to Window Design – Approved by WMDC.

43 Park Avenue, Kirkthorpe – Conservatory to Rear – Permission not Required,

NEW APPLICATIONS

East Pavilion, Heath – Tree Pruning & Crown Lifting – No Objections from PC.

Rose Cottage Bungalow, Heath – Conversion of existing Building to Dwelling House – External Alterations. By a majority of 6-2 Members agreed to instruct the Clerk to object to this Application.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Commons liaison Committee – Cllr Smith provided a report on the meeting held on 23 February 2010. Issues discussed included Rose Cottage Bungalow, Horses on the Common, damage to the Common near Elm Cottages and proposed seats on Warmfield Common.

Road Safety Committee – Cllr Wilby reported on the meeting held on 15 February 2010. Matters of local interest included the lack of gritting in Kirkthorpe & Warmfield, the condition of Croft Head Lane and blocked gullies in Kirkthorpe Lane and Warmfield Lane. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to WMDC Highways with regard to these latter two items.

Welbeck Liaison Committee – Cllr Wilby reported that the next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for 11 March 2010.

Kirkthorpe Playing Fields – The Clerk reported on his weekly site inspections, and confirmed that there was nothing adverse to report. The chain-link fencing has been installed and a letter has been sent to WMDC Legal Services regarding the drainage.

Town & Parish Councils Liaison Group – The Clerk provided a report on the last meeting, which was held on 27 January 2010. The main item of discussion was the wording of the proposed Parish Charter Document. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 21 July 2010.

Proposed ByeLaws for the Commons – Cllr Fisher provided a report on this issue. The proposal is to designate the Commons as Local Wildlife Areas, when this classification becomes available.

Future Speakers – It was agreed to invite a representative from Wakefield Magistrates Court to address a future meeting.

Correspondence

The following items of Correspondence were reported upon:

- MARSHALLS – General Permitted Development Amendments.
- WMDC – Changes to Members Register of Interests.
- RURAL ACTION-YORKSHIRE – Country Air Magazines.
- COMMUNITIES & LOCAL; GOV'T – War Memorials.
- COLIN DALEY – Neighbourhood Watch Information.
- WMDC - Co-Opted Members of Scrutiny Committee.
- YLCA – Standing Orders for Local Councils.

Additional Matters/Items for Next Agenda

- It was reported that land at Crossley Street, New Charlston was being occupied by Travellers. It is understood that they own the land, and that there is no objection from local residents. However, it was agreed to monitor the situation.

Date/Time of Next Meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **17 March 2010**, in the Community Centre, Kirkthorpe, at **6.45 pm**.

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND