

**WARMSFIELD – CUM – HEATH PARISH COUNCIL
EXTRACTS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 23 APRIL 2014**

Public Consultation – Inspector David Bugg from WY Police introduced himself as the officer responsible for the Castleford & Normanton Neighbourhood Policing Team. He explained that whilst an amalgamation has taken place and savings are having to be made in the Police Service, front line policing is to be maintained, and indeed the appointment of additional Special Police Officers has been sanctioned. He asked to be kept fully informed of all local issues.

Glyniss Wilson expressed concern about the closure of a footpath in the Half Moon Lane area. Whilst it was felt that this was not a formal public footpath, the Clerk agreed to check with the WMDC Footpaths Officer. She also confirmed that the WCHFG Newsletters have gone to print, and that the children's rides for the Kite Festival have been booked.

District Cllr Wassell confirmed the lack of footfall at the recent Heath Common Fair, and raised the issue of combining the Fair with another appropriate Event. It was agreed that this issue, which has been raised before, should be pursued.

District Cllr Blezard reported on the Town & Parish Council Liaison Group meeting held today, and confirmed that it would revert to alternate evening meetings as soon as the Town Hall refurbishment has been completed.

District Cllr Dagger confirmed that WMDC Highways Officers had been involved in the removal of horses unsafely tethered on verges following the accident involving a loose horse on Normanton By-Pass.

Community Centre – The Clerk confirmed that the Community Centre Account currently stands at £164.27. However, there are some payments due, and it was resolved to transfer funds from the Parish Council Community Account.

Cllr Gueli is looking into the provision of external lighting to the pedestrian approach to the Community Centre.

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

- The provision of rooted Christmas Trees is still being investigated.
- A new Parish Notice Board is to be provided in Warmfield. This will be provided free of charge by FW Tingles.
- An Email from WMDC, explaining their response to problems of dog fouling in the Warmfield area, has been received.
- An Email from WMDC, providing information on ownerships in the Goosehill Common area, has also been received.
- An Email from PCSO Katie Hester has been received, explaining her wish to provide Junior Assault Course training at the Scream Park in Hell Lane. She is asking for funding support, and it was resolved to approve a grant of £200, providing local children are to be involved.
- A letter has been sent to WMDC regarding the potential for the devolution of services to Parish Council level. A response is awaited.

Finance – The Clerk provided a statement on the current financial position of the Parish Council, and presented appropriate cheques for payment. The Parish Council Accounts for y/e 31 March 2014, which had previously been circulated to Members, were approved for passing over to the Internal Auditor. The Council's annual Financial Risk Assessment document was also approved by Members.

Planning Matters – The following Applications were discussed:

Boundary Lane (Land Off), Warmfield – Construction of Agricultural Field Shelter & Variation of Condition 5 – Parking of Vehicles over 3.5 tonnes – Decision Pending.

Pineapple Farm, Marshall Hill, Warmfield – Variation of Condition 1 (Temporary Permission) & Condition 2 (Restoration of Land) – Decision Pending.

Construction of 2 No Amenity Buildings – Letter of Objection to be sent.

Proposed Deanfield Surface Mining Scheme – Refused by WMDC.

Ivy Cottage, Boatyard, Heath – Temporary CoU of Land to 4 No Traveller's Pitches, Construction of Dayroom/Utility Block Etc. – Decision Pending.

The Coach House, Heath – Demolition of existing Porch & erection of new Porch & Wooden Pergola. – Approved by WMDC.

15 Warmfield Lane, Warmfield – Residential Development – 1 No Dwelling – Decision Pending.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Heath Hall, Heath – Crown Lifting & Tree Felling – No Objections from PC.

Planning Enforcement Issues in Heath & Warmfield still outstanding include:

Heath – Old Brew House – Unauthorised Development, Heath Common – Condition of Wall, ‘Kings Arms’ – PVC Windows & External Lighting, Heath Old Hall Drive – Condition of Wing Walls to Gates.

Warmfield – Went Farm – New Stable Block, Holly Farm – Non Compliance with Approved Plans.

COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS

Commons Liaison Committee – The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for 10 June 2014.

Road Safety Committee – A report on the last meeting, held on 20 March 2014, was given by Cllr G Wilby. The next meeting is to be held on 29 April 2014.

Welbeck Liaison Committee – The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for 5 June 2014.

National Coal Mining Museum – The next meeting of the Executive Committee is to be held on 2 May 2014.

Kirkthorpe Playing Fields – The Clerk reported on his weekly inspections, and confirmed that there was nothing adverse to report.

Town and Parish Councils Liaison Group – Neither the Chair nor the Clerk were able to attend the meeting held on 23 April 2014. The next meeting is to be held on 26 July 2014.

Horses on the Common – A number of issues were discussed, including the horse count carried out on 13/04/2014, in liaison with the WMDC Countryside Service. A number of articles on this subject have appeared in the Wakefield Express recently, and in order to put forward the facts, a letter from Parish Council Members was published in the edition of 18 April 2014.

Proposed Open Cast Mining Site – This Application was presented to the WMDC Highways & Planning Committee on Thursday 27 March 2014, when after lengthy discussion it was formally refused.

Proposed High Speed Rail Line – There was nothing new to report on this subject.

Future Speakers – The new Chief Constable of WY Police, who currently lives in the Parish, will be attending the next meeting of the Parish Council, to be held on 21 May 2014.

Parish Council Website – The new Website is now live, and Cllr Sanderson asked Members to provide news and information whenever possible to keep the site up-to-date.

Appointment of Clerk – The Clerk confirmed that there had been 5 applications for this appointment, 4 of which were of a local nature. It was agreed, therefore, that an agreed interview panel of 3 should invite these local Applicants for interview as soon as arrangements can be made.

Correspondence – The following Items of Correspondence were reported upon:

- YLCA – Community Rights Presentation – 22/03/14
- YLCA – White Rose Update – 26/03/14
- Rural Action Yorkshire – eBulletin – 28/03/14
- SLCC – News Bulletin – 06/04/14
- YLCA – White Rose Update – 16/04/14
- HS2 – Phase One Property Compensation
- WMDC – Football Posts Inspections – The Clerk to follow up

Additional Matters/Items for Next Agenda

- Cllr G Wilby reported that the work on the Railway at the bottom of Goosehill Lane etc has now been completed and tidied up.

Date/Time of Next Meeting – It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Parish Council, which will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting, will be held at 7.00 pm on

Wednesday 21 May 2014, in the Community Centre, Kirkthorpe.

All Parishioners are welcome to attend