

WARMFIELD – CUM – HEATH PARISH COUNCIL
EXTRACTS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 16 FEBRUARY 2011

Public Participation – Ms Kath Bowles from WDH was in attendance, in order to take questions on the access track to the rear of properties in Kirkthorpe Lane. She explained that the recently erected low fence to the green area off Freeston Drive was to remain, and also that she was currently in the process of taking a survey of the views of all residents who make use of the track. To the disappointment of Members and Parishioners, she could not offer any further comment but promised to keep the Parish Council informed of progress.

A Parishioner complained about the state of the footway down Church Hill, and it was agreed that the Clerk should approach WMDC Highways on this issue.

District Cllr Blezard confirmed that a horse had recently been removed from Heath Common.

Clerk's Progress Report – The Clerk reported on a number of issues, as follows:

- A letter has been sent to Kath Crowther, with regard to the provision of a bench on Warmfield Common in memory of her brother John Crowther. She has been asked to express her preference for the proposed site.
- Despite a further Email, there has been no response from WMDC in terms of the erection of a timber building in the garden of Boatyard House.
- An Email has been received from WMDC Planning Services, setting out the proposed action with regard to the high front garden fences in Kirkthorpe Lane.
- An Email has also been received from the WMDC Footpaths Officer, explaining the proposed course of action regarding the footpath gate at the bottom of Half Moon Lane.

Finance – The Clerk provided a statement on the current financial position of the Parish Council, and presented appropriate Cheques for payment.

He also reported that the Parish Precept for 2011/2012 had been confirmed by WMDC, in the sum of £10,000.

Planning Matters – The following Applications were discussed:

Highbrook, Heath – New PP to replace Existing – Replacement Dwelling & Garage – Decision Pending.

The Granary, Heath – Single Storey Rear Extension – Decision Pending.

Went Farm, Warmfield Lane, Warmfield – Single Dwelling to meet a Defined Need – Decision Pending.

Letters of support have been sent to the Proposed Developer, and to WMDC Planning Services – The Application is to be presented to the WMDC Planning Committee on 24/02/2011.

NEW APPLICATIONS

West Pavilion, Heath – Insertion of 2 Windows & Conversion of Outbuildings to Residential.

Heath Hall, Heath – Crown Lifting & Tree Pruning Etc. – 25 Trees.

The Granary, Heath – Tree pruning – 3 Trees.

No Objections from PC to any of these Applications.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

The following Reports were presented:

Commons Liaison Committee – The minutes of the first meeting of the Reconstituted Committee, held on 11 January 2011, were included in the Councillor's Packs. The next meeting is to be held on 22 February 2011, in the Community Centre, Kirkthorpe.

Road Safety Committee – The next meeting of this Committee, which is not being wound up, is to be held on 21 March.

Welbeck Liaison Committee – The minutes of the meeting held on 09/12/2010 were included in the Member's Packs. The next meeting is to be held on 10 March 2011.

PACTS Meeting – Cllr Vasey reported on the last meeting, held on 25 January 2011, when she raised a number of Parish related issues. Mobile Speed Cameras are to be used in the Kirkthorpe area, and so is the Police mobile CCTV van. Following the recent spate of burglaries, a suspect has been apprehended.

Kirkthorpe Playing Fields – The Clerk reported on his weekly inspections, and confirmed that there was nothing adverse to report. A meeting has been arranged with Jerry Harrington, from WMDC, with regard to the potential for improvements to the Children's Play Area. This will take place on 10 March 2011 at 10.30 am.

Town & Parish Councils Liaison Group – The last meeting, held on 26 January 2011, was attended by both the Chair & Clerk. The final draft of the Parish Council Charter was circulated, and a presentation was given by the Council Leader, Cllr Peter Box, and the Chief Executive, Joanne Roney. They set out the level of cuts which were having to be made by WMDC over the next three years, and discussed the potential for devolution of front line services to Town & Parish Councils.

Parish Council Elections – These are to be held on 5 May 2011, and a Briefing Note, together with Nomination Forms, had previously been circulated to Members.

The Localism Bill – A guide to this proposed bill had previously been circulated to Members, and the Clerk confirmed that the Chief Executive's Office will be producing a formal list of functions which have potential for devolution to Town & Parish Councils.

Proposed Byelaws for the Commons – An Email has been received from DEFRA confirming that correspondence regarding the outstanding issues will be forthcoming in the near future.

Community Centre – The Clerk reported on the financial position, which remains positive. Colin Aylward agreed to repair the damage to the field caused by the Access Bus recently.

Correspondence – The following items of Correspondence were reported upon:

- WMDC – Royal Wedding – Road Closure Procedures.
- WMDC – Carbon Saving Bulletin.

Additional Matters/ Items for Next Agenda

- Cllr Smith reported on the recent Heath Common Fair pre-meeting. There are no significant changes from last year.
- Cllr Wilby reported on complaints he had received regarding footballs being kicked into gardens in Kirkthorpe Lane. The Clerk agreed to speak to officials of Altofts AFC.

Date/Time of Next Meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on **Wednesday 16 March 2011**, in the Community Centre, Kirkthorpe, at 7.00 pm.