

**WRMFIELD – CUM – HEATH PARISH COUNCIL
EXTRACTS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 18 JULY 2012**

Public Participation – A parishioner raised various issues regarding the horses on Heath Common. Accordingly, District Cllr Wassell, who was present, explained the present protocol which has been adopted by WMDC in terms of this matter, and reminded everyone that any problems, concerning this, or any relevant issues, should be reported to the WMDC Contact Centre, on 0845-8506506.

In addition, the speed of vehicles passing through the villages was again raised, with a suggestion that 20 mph speed limits should be investigated. Cllr Vasey agreed to raise this issue again at the next PACTS meeting.

Community Centre – The Clerk reported that the Parish Council's new Community Centre Account was now in place, and that all remaining funds in the present Community Centre Account would be transferred as soon as possible. In view of the lack of feedback from parents in Kirkthorpe, it was agreed to put the possible improvement of the Children's Play Area on hold for the time being. In terms of the use of the Community Centre, the Clerk reported on interest being shown by the Wakefield Stroke Association and was given guidance on the issues to be considered if this was to be taken forward.

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

- In terms of the problems associated with domestic waste collection in Old Kirkthorpe, Cllr Vasey reported that she was still waiting to be given a date for the promised meeting with WMDC Officers.
- As agreed at the last meeting, a letter has been sent to the WMDC Estates Department expressing some concerns over the running of the Heath Transport Rally in May. A response has been received stating that these will be considered in terms of any future event of this type.
- A significant amount of Email correspondence has taken place regarding the illegal invasion of Heath Common by Travellers in May, and as promised the harrowing and reseeding of the damaged area has been completed, and the redefining and enlarging of the ditches is underway. The protocol to be adopted, to guard against any future occurrence of this nature, is being developed, and appropriate Officers from WMDC will report fully on this matter at the next meeting of the Parish Council to be held on 19 September 2012.
- A contribution of £200 has been sent to St Peter's Church to assist with production costs of the Parish Magazine, and to recognise the assistance given by Charlie Kirk in terms of the year end Auditing of the Parish Council Accounts.
- Following the presentation given by Martin Womersley, from WMDC Street Scene, at the last meeting, an Email was sent complaining about the standard of grass cutting this summer, and a response, promising improved performance, has been received.

Finance – The Clerk provided a statement on the current financial position of the Parish Council, and presented cheques for payment. He reminded Members that the second instalment of the Parish Precept was now due to be paid in September 2012.

Planning Matters – The following Applications were discussed:

(District Cllr Wassell left the room during discussion on this Item)

Kings Arms Cottages, Heath – Non-Illuminated Signage Scheme – Approved by WMDC.

Hell Lane, Heath – Use of Land for Outdoor Sport – Decision Pending.

(Clerk to attend Committee Hearing if Possible)

5 Goosehill Lane, Warmfield – Construction of 1st & 2nd Storey Extensions – Decision Pending.

Boundary Lane, Warmfield – Use of Land for Stationary Caravans for Residential Purposes, Hard-standing & Dayroom etc. – Decision pending.

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

Kings Arms Cottages, Heath – 1 No Wooden Sign – Decision Pending.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Heath View, Heath – Demolition of Existing Conservatory & Construction of Garden Room (Re-Submission of Application No 11/02023/FUL) – No Objections from PC.

Willow Lane (Land Adjacent), Kirkthorpe – Metal Frame Barn for use as Stables & Hard-standing. Agreed that the Clerk should write asking for detailed conditions as to Materials. Position, Boundary Treatment & Usage etc.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Commons Liaison Committee – The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for 04/09/12.

Road Safety Committee – Cllr G Wilby reported that there was no notification of the date of the next meeting at this point in time.

Welbeck Liaison Committee – Cllr G Wilby stated that he was away on holiday for the last meeting, and had not yet been notified of the date of the next meeting.

PACTS Meeting – Cllr Vasey reported that she had requested a Police presence at the forthcoming Kite Festival, and had expressed the local concern over speeding vehicles through the villages. It was agreed that speed measurement records would be taken.

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

Town & Parish Councils Liaison Group – The Clerk confirmed that the next meeting of this Group would be held on Wednesday 25 July 2012, at 6.00 pm in the Kirkwood Rooms at Wakefield Town Hall.

Wakefield Kite Festival – The Chair & the Clerk went through all the required actions/decisions etc and confirmed that everything was covered. It was agreed that Cllr Fisher would contact the Kite Sales Firm, and that the Clerk would contact Cllr Smith regarding the Church Refreshment Stall.

Funding for Bike for Normanton NPT – After some discussion it was agreed that a donation of £250 should be made.

New Members Code of Conduct – The forms for the Declaration of Members Disclosable Pecuniary & Other Interests had been previously circulated, and were collected by the Clerk.

Future Speakers – As previously mentioned, Officers from WMDC will be attending the next meeting on 19 September 2012, to provide definitive information on the development of a formal protocol to deter any future encampments on Heath Common.

Correspondence – The following Items of Correspondence were reported upon:

- WMDC – Young Lives Training Brochure.
- WMDC – Register of Electors – Annual Census.

Additional Matters/Items for Next Agenda.

- Cllr J Wilby expressed concern over the height of a wall in Warmfield Lane. The Clerk to check with WMDC Planning Services.

- Cllr G Wilby was supportive of the principle of speed bumps in Croft Head Lane if it is to be resurfaced. The Clerk to check with WMDC Highways. He was also concerned over the lack of regular grass cutting in Goosehill Lane.

Date/Time of Next Meeting – It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 19 September 2012**, in the Community Centre, Kirkthorpe.