## WARMFIELD – CUM – HEATH PARISH COUNCIL EXTRACTS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 17 JULY 2013

Public Participation – District Cllr Blezard pointed out that at the last count there were 29 Horses + 6 Foals on Heath Common. The new licenses are to be issued soon. District Cllr Dagger confirmed that Inspector Lisa Kirkland was now on secondment, and that Acting Inspector David Rogerson was now in charge of the Normanton NPT. It was agreed that the Clerk should invite him to attend a future meeting. District Cllr Wassell stated that he had been unable to attend the Kirkthorpe Gala but appreciated the Email of thanks he had received in terms of the Community Chest grant. PCSO Katie Hester confirmed the information regarding Inspector Lisa Kirkland,, and was unsure as to whether she would return to Normanton. She also explained the system of Optimal Crime which was now in operation. This means that there will be a concentration of Officers sent to crime scenes/hotspots across the Division. It was also agreed that the mobile speed monitoring apparatus would be used in Marshall Hill over the coming weeks.

<u>Community Centre</u> – The Clerk reported that the Community Centre Account currently stands at £97.00. It was unanimously agreed that the Clerk should be authorised to transfer up to £500.00 from the main Community Account to the Community Centre Account as and when required.

A formal response from the Alzheimer's Society regarding use of the Community Centre is still awaited. The Clerk reported that he was in the process of arranging to have the broken windows repaired as soon as possible.

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

- Authority to co-opt a new Member onto the Parish Council has now been received from WMDC, and anyone wishing to be considered should attend the next meeting, scheduled for 18 September 2013.
- An Email has been sent to Darren Gomersall at WMDC regarding the grass cutting at Heath, and the need for a further litter bin near Elm Cottages.
- A letter from the Secretary of State for Environment, regarding problems with Horses in the District, had previously been circulated to Members.
- Email correspondence between Cllr Fisher and Ian Rowlands at WMDC, regarding the illegal presence of Travellers on Heath Common, had also been previously circulated to Members.
- Following a complaint regarding the volume of music and the use of bad language at a recent event at the Kings Arms, it was agreed that the Clerk should write to Ossett Brewery.

<u>Finance</u> – The Clerk provided a statement on the current financial position of the Parish Council, and presented Cheques for payment. A response from Littlejohns, the Council's External Auditors, is awaited.

<u>Planning Matters</u> – The following Applications were discussed:

<u>Boundary Lane (Land Off), Warmfield</u> – Use of Land for Stationary Caravans for Residential Purposes, Hard-Standing & Dayroom Etc. – Approved by WMDC subject to Conditions. – Copy of Approval Notice circulated to Members.

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

<u>Proposed Deanfield Surface Mining Scheme</u> – Decision Pending.

<u>Ivy Cottage</u>, <u>Heath</u> – Temporary Change of Use of Land to form 4 No Traveller's Pitches, Construction of Dayroom/Utility Blocks Etc. – Decision Pending. Bellamy House, Heath – Removal of Trees Etc. – Approved by WMDC.

## COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

<u>Commons Liaison Committee</u> – The last meeting was held on 11 June 2013, and the minutes were circulated to Members prior to the meeting. An Email from Cllr Fisher to Dave Mee regarding the potential for a number of Wildlife areas on Heath Common was also circulated. The next meeting is scheduled for 3 September 2013. <u>Road Safety Committee</u> – Cllr G Wilby reported that the next meeting of this Committee was also to be held on 3 September 2013.

<u>Welbeck Liaison Committee</u> – Cllr G Wilby reported on the last meeting, held on 20 June 2013, and passed reports to the Clerk for circulation in the Councillor's Packs. The next meeting is scheduled for 12 September, and will be preceded by a site visit starting at 5.00 pm.

<u>PACTS Meeting</u> – Cllr Vasey reported on the last meeting, when the Police response to the recent Traveller Invasion of Heath Common was discussed. It was also noted that the Police Off-Road Bikes were now available for use by Normanton NPT. In terms of local crime statistics, it was reported that there has been a spate of Garden Shed burglaries and residents are urged to increase security where necessary. <a href="NCMM">NCMM</a> – Cllr G Wilby reported on the receipt of an invitation to attend the opening of Underground Tours by HRH The Princess Royal. It was agreed that Cllr Wilby should attend on behalf of the Parish Council.

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

<u>Town & Parish Councils Liaison Group</u> – The next meeting of this Group is scheduled for 24 July 2013 at 6.00 pm in the Old Restaurant in Wakefield Town Hall. Both the Chair & Clerk are hoping to attend.

<u>Proposed Open Cast Mining Site</u> – The Clerk reported on an offer to speak to the Parish Council from Laura Harrison of UK Coal-Surface Mines. After discussion, it was agreed to decline this offer.

<u>Proposed High Speed Rail Line</u> – An Email has been sent to WMDC Planning Services regarding the placing of a banner by a StopHS2 Group on the fence to the Playing Fields.

<u>Wakefield Kite Festival</u> – The Clerk confirmed that this event, sponsored by the Heath Residents Association, is to be held on 29 September 2013. Most issues have now been resolved, and Cllr Vasey agreed to book the St John's Ambulance service. A meeting is to be held between the Parish Council, Heath Residents Association & the Warmfield-cum-Heath Fundraising Group to discuss this, and other, community events.

<u>Parish Council Website</u> – Cllr Sanderson provided an estimate for completely updating and refreshing the Parish Council Website. After discussion it was unanimously agreed that this should be approved, and that the work should go ahead. <u>Correspondence</u> – The following Items of Correspondence were reported upon:

- YLCA E-Bulletins for 21/06, 01/07 & 12/07/2013.
- DECC Press Notice
- WMDC Streamlining Planning Notice.
- WMDC LDF Early Engagement.

## Additional Matters/Items for Next Agenda

• Cllr G Wilby reported on the poor state of the Carriageway on Croft Edge, Warmfield. The Clerk agreed to contact WMDC Highways.

<u>Date/Time of Next Meeting</u> – It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **18 September 2013**, in the Community Centre, Kirkthorpe.