WARMFIELD – CUM – HEATH PARISH COUNCIL EXTRACTS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 18 JUNE 2014

<u>Public Consultation</u> – A resident from Heath raised the problem of potential safety issues related to the pedestrian access to the Heath Tea Rooms. This matter was discussed at the recent Commons Liaison Meeting, when it was agreed that WMDC Officers from the Countryside Service should look to devise a mutually agreeable solution.

PCSO Katie Hester reported on the recent illegal Traveller encampment on Heath Common, and stated that they were removed within 24 hours thanks to the use of Section 61 of the Criminal Justice & Public Order Act which the WY Police are now using on a regular basis.

Colin Aylward confirmed that the recent Classic Car Rally on Heath Common had to be abandoned because of adverse weather conditions. He stated that the event would be held instead at Thornes Park on Sunday 24 August in aid of the Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

Cllr Dagger confirmed that work on the improvement of the footway on Church Hill would be starting in a few weeks, and mentioned the award of the BEM to Normanton Town Cllr Carol Moran. It was agreed to send a letter of congratulations.

It was reported that the gate to the Children's Play Area has been damaged. The Clerk agreed to report the matter to WMDC.

<u>Community Centre</u> – The Clerk confirmed that the Community Centre Account currently stands at £354.41, with an outstanding invoice to npower to be paid. It was agreed to consider amalgamating this account with the Parish Council Community Account.

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

- Chris Pell will be visiting his suppliers in Europe in the near future, and will report back on the potential for the provision of rooted Christmas Trees.
- He will also look into the 'failure' of one of the trees planted last year in Marshall Hill.
- The Vintage Bus Rally is scheduled to take place on Heath Common on Sunday 13 July.
- The Clerk reported on an exchange of Emails with WMDC regarding the poor standard of grass cutting in the Parish.
- A number of Emails, including one from a resident of Heath Manor, were reported upon. The Police response is referred to above, and it was agreed that the Clerk should respond directly to the Heath resident.
- An exchange of Emails between the Chair and Cllr Peter Box, regarding the importance of Heath Common in relation to the proposed Wakefield East Development were reported upon. The Chair agreed to follow up this important issue.

<u>Finance</u> – The Clerk provided a statement on the current financial position of the Parish Council, and presented appropriate cheques for payment. The Annual Return has been submitted to the Council's External Auditors – Littlejohns – prior to the appointed date.

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

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

<u>Pineapple Farm, Marshall Hill, Warmfield</u> – Variation of Condition 1 (Temporary Permission) & Condition 2 (Restoration of Land) – Construction of 2 No Amenity Buildings – Decision Pending.

15 Warmfield Lane (Land to Rear Of), Warmfield – Residential Development (1 No Dwelling – Decision Pending – To WMDC Highways & Planning Cttee – 19/06/14. Warmfield Lane, Warmfield – Construction of 2 No Fishing Ponds, New Access & Car Parking Etc. – Decision Pending.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Bellamy House, Heath – Construction of New Access to Dwelling & Hard-standing – Unanimous agreement that the Clerk should send a formal objection to WMDC.

Orchard Barn, Heath – Replacement of 1 No Existing Slit Window with Sash Window – No Objections from the Parish Council.

There are a number of Planning & Enforcement Issues still outstanding in Heath & Warmfield. The Clerk has formally requested an update from the Enforcement Officer at WMDC.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

<u>Commons Liaison Committee</u> – The last meeting was held on 10 June 2014 when a number of issues were discussed, including: The Tea Rooms, Horses on the Common, the Heritage Lottery Bid, Dog Training, Seat Requests, Grass Cutting, Events on the Common Etc. The next meeting is scheduled for 9 September 2014.

Road Safety Committee – The next meeting is to be held on 3 July 2014.

<u>Welbeck Liaison Committee</u> – Cllr J Wilby gave an update on the last meeting of this Committee, held on 5 June 2014. The Clerk to contact District Cllr Wassell regarding possible funding opportunities.

<u>PAC TS Meeting</u> – Cllr Vasey reported on the last meeting when inappropriate Taxi parking was discussed. She also reported on the broken gate and poor surfacing to the path leading to the Half Moon Lake area. The next meeting will be held on 15 July 2014.

<u>Kirkthorpe Playing Fields</u> — The Clerk reported on his weekly inspections, and confirmed that there was nothing adverse to report. It was agreed that this function should be carried out by Cllr Wood in future, and the Clerk will supply the appropriate forms. The Clerk also confirmed that he had contacted the Secretary of Altofts FC, and that he would be setting out details of the proposed usage of the football pitch by their junior girls teams.

<u>Town & Parish Councils Liaison Group</u> – The next meeting is scheduled for 26 July 2014 at 2.00pm in Committee Room A at County Hall. An invite has been received from Cllr Denise Jeffrey for a meeting on 15 July. Cllr Smith & the Clerk to attend. <u>Proposed High Speed Rail Line</u> – Members had received an invitation to a meeting held in Crofton on 4 June 2014.

<u>Parish Council Website</u> – In the absence of Cllr Sanderson, there was nothing new to report on this matter.

<u>Appointment of Clerk</u> – A new Clerk, Charlotte Dodd, has been appointed, as from 1 June 2014. The present Clerk will also stay in post until 31 July 2014, to provide for a smooth take-over.

<u>Councillor's Duties</u> – The list of Councillor's Duties, previously circulated by the Clerk, was reviewed, and duties reallocated where necessary. The Clerk will include the new list in the Councillor's Packs for the next meeting.

<u>Correspondence</u> – The following Items of Correspondence were reported upon:

- SLCC News Bulletin 29/05/14.
- Rural Action Yorkshire eBulletin 02/06/14.
- WMDC Carbon Saving Bulletin 07/06/14.

Additional Matters/Items for Next Agenda

• Cllr Wood raised the issue of speeding vehicles, through Kirkthorpe in particular. The Clerk agreed to contact PCSO Katie Hester with a view towards further use of the speed awareness interactive signage.

<u>Date/Time of Next Meeting</u> – It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 16 July 2014**, at 7.00 pm, in the Community Centre, Kirkthorpe.

All Parishioners are welcome to attend