

# GREEN HAMMERTON PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the Green Hammerton Parish Council held on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at Green Hammerton Village Hall, Harrogate Road, Green Hammerton at 19:30

**PRESENT:** Cllrs I Bailes (Chairman), I Andrew, D Copley, C Greenwood, A Tegerdine.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Clerks: Louise Pink & Paul Whelan, Nick Kay from the KGHK Action Group, Cllr Ash Teague and 8 members of the public.

## 1. Apologies for Absence

County Councillor Andrew Paroskos.

## 2. Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman

The declaration of Office was signed by the Chairman.

## 3. Declaration of interest and dispensations

None declared.

## 4. Public Participation

One member of the public spoke of a blocked footpath at the field bounded by Water Slack Lane and track to Low Farm. It was reported that the stile has now been replaced with stones. Paul Whelan advised that the footpath has already been reported to NYCC. Cllr Greenwood to carry out a site visit to investigate.

One member of the public spoke of the generator pump that is currently pumping out into the children's play area and enquired as to whether the pump could be re positioned to avoid this. Clerk to raise this with RedRow.

Councillor Tegerdine advised of an email he had received containing some queries from Martin Leather.

All other comments and questions raised by members of the public related to agenda item 6.

## 5. Confirmation of Minutes of meeting held on 30 May 2017

*RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 30 May 2017 were accepted as a true record. The chairman signed the minutes.*

## 6. Consideration of an update from Nick Kay from the Keep Green Hammerton Green Action Group

Proposed 90 dwellings at Loxley Homes –

- Nick Kay advised that himself and Chris Chelton have now met with the HBC Planning Officer, Andrew Siddall.
- Now awaiting on further reports, including Highways.
- He estimates that the planning application will go before the Harrogate Borough Council planning committee in approx. September.
- The Action Group are concentrating on two main issues – the visual impact the proposed development would have on the area and the highways issues.

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- Nick Kay advised that he has had consultations with Flaxby.

- A number of properties within the village and surrounding areas are now displaying objection boards.
- The consultation commences on the 14<sup>th</sup> July.
- The action group will be sending out pro forma letters to all households.
- Nick Kay passed on his thanks for the recent donation made by the Parish Council.
- Harrogate Borough Council are meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> July to discuss the proposals and a representative from the Action Group will be attending this meeting.
- The Action Group are currently carrying out events within the village to raise funds.
- They have contacted other local Parish Councils, including Nun Monkton, Whixley and Kirk Hammerton.

A question was raised by a member of the public as to whether the Action Group has or will be employing the correct people to fight this proposal. Nick Kay advised that the Action Group are utilising all available resources and have sought the help of a professional representative who has dealt with planning cases.

### **7. Consideration of a meeting with CEG regarding the new settlement**

*RESOLVED that Councillor Teague would arrange a meeting with CEG. This meeting will be attended by both Parish Council representatives and representatives from the Action Group. Following this meeting an open meeting will then be organised.*

Approval was given to Councillor Copley to attend a site meeting at Kirkstall.

### **8. Planning**

No new planning applications were discussed.

Clerk advised that she had received an email from the Clerk at Marton-cum-Grafton Parish Council enquiring whether Green Hammerton Parish Council would be interested in becoming involved in a working party for the proposal for a sugar beet processing plant adjacent to Allerton Waste Recovery Park. *RESOLVED to elect 2 representatives from Green Hammerton Parish Council – Councillors Copley and Tegerdine.*

### **9. Discussion regarding the RedRow site office and signage in the Village Hall car park**

A resident present at the meeting advised that RedRow do not need planning approval. Councillor Teague was asked to approach HBC Planning Department to request a formal decision on whether planning approval should have been sought.

### **10. Management of Helen Field**

*RESOLVED via a unanimous vote that despite no longer being on the Parish Council, the Parish Council are happy for Alistair Taylor to remain on the Helen Field management board.*

### **11. Greenery along footpath between York Road and the A59**

Councillor Andrew also advised that there are issues of overgrown hedges containing nettles outside the school. It was noted that the grass cutter is currently contracted to cut the grass 6 times per year throughout the main part of the village and twice a year down lanes. Chairman allocated to the task of monitoring the grass cutting.

### **12. Allocation of tasks following resignation of councillors**

*RESOLVED that all jobs previously carried out by Councillors Taylor and Leather have now been reallocated.*

### **13. Process of appointment of 2 x new councillors**

Clerk advised that the Harrogate Borough Council notice of vacancies expires on the 29<sup>th</sup> June. Once official confirmation is received from HBC that an election is not required the Parish Council can look to advertise the vacancies to be filled by co-option.

#### **14. Village Grass Cutting**

Covered under item 11.

#### **15. Concerns regarding the bus stop on Bernard Lane**

*RESOLVED for the Clerk to approach Highways to enquire whether the bus stop can be moved more towards the school.*

#### **16. Dates for ordinary meetings for the year.**

Chairman to review the dates with the village hall bookings secretary.

#### **17. Reports from District and County Councillors**

Apologies received from Cllr Andrew Paraskos.

Cllr Ash Teague spoke of a previous planning application that the Parish Council had no objection to.

#### **18. Report from the Clerk to the Parish Council**

Nothing new noted.

#### **19. Approval of payments**

Cheque		
100954	P Whelan Salary and allowance June 2017	£194.27
100955	P Whelan Expenses	£59.03
100956	L Pink Salary and allowance June 2017	£297.09
100957	Garden Grooming	£119.00
100958	Farm & Land Services Ltd	£190.80
100959	YLCA – Councillor training course x 2	£90.00

*RESOLVED that the payments were approved.*

#### **20. Banking Arrangements**

Due to the mandate change form not being received in time this matter could not be discussed.

#### **21. Correspondence**

Issue of printing documents from the Local Plan was discussed. List of requested documents to be sent to Cllr Teague.

#### **22. Reports from Representatives**

*RESOLVED that 'Liaison with the KGHC Action Group' to be added to the list of reports from representatives and Councillor Copley appointed as the Parish Council liaison.*

#### **23. Items for next agenda**

Nothing noted.

#### **24. Next meeting date**

TBC following discussion with Chairman and Village Hall bookings secretary.

Meeting Closed at 9.20pm.