

ALDBROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at Aldbrough Primary School commencing 1930 hours Monday 9th July 2012

PRESENT: Councillors S.Turner (Chair), T.Floater, K.Blackwell, J.Fox, S.Cantwell, M.Robinson, Mr D.Smith (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Councillors Handley and North

PUBLIC FORUM: Seven members of the public were also in attendance and included Avril Crawford from Grimston and Garton Parish Council. There were no questions from the floor.

The Acting Chairman, Councillor Turner expressed an interest in Item 6 on the agenda in relation to the vacancy for Parish Councillor and would be taking no part in the discussion.

MATTERS ARISING: The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 11th June 2012 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair.

Councillor Turner then invited Avril Crawford to address the meeting concerning the Community Proposal put before ERYCC Planning Committee on 25th June 2012 objecting to the proposed planning application to relocate the position of the Phase 2 wellhead site. She gave a brief resume of what took place but that their objections were ignored and planning approved. A copy of the document outlining the objections was left with the Clerk to distribute to our members.

STREET SCENE: Councillor Fox stated that he had accompanied staff from Street Scene around the village and that their main terms of reference concerned the state of the roads and footpaths. The overhanging trees at the top of Carlton Lane were not in their remit. The public seat/bench at the bottom of North Street was identified as needing slight remedial attention and repainting. He had been requested to ascertain whether this was owned by the Parish Council and after discussion it was felt that this was not the case as it was of a concrete frame. Seaside Road was walked and many potholes identified as requiring attention. The Clerk was requested to check with the 'Tree Officer' regarding Carlton Lane as straw carrying vehicles were losing parts of their load due to the overhanging branches which then caused blockages in the local drains.

SECTION 106 AGREEMENT: Councillor Robinson gave a brief update on the current situation of the agreement which had been discussed at the recent Gas Liaison Meeting. It was the view of the Parish Council that this money should not be used for items to reduce noise, such as triple double glazing, as the Companies involved should bear this cost themselves. It was noted that Ward Councillor Grove did not support our views on this subject. Andy Wainwright had previously been requested to attend our meeting to discuss these matters but declined as he was a member of the liaison committee. Karen Wood who administers this account will be attending the next liaison meeting at Garton and it was recommended that as many Councillors and residents also attend. The date is yet to be fixed.

PUBLIC PATHS: Councillor Cantwell reported that she had walked part of the path network with Andrew Chudley, Head of the Local Paths Partnership, and as a result letters had been sent to three offending landowners regarding the taking down of signs and not allowing the statutory width of paths adjoining crops. Furthermore, the Rural Payments Agency had informed the owner of FP 15 that he was in breach of cross-compliance for removing waymarkers. This could result in a very expensive penalty. Overall, however, she stated that the path network was in a good state but the grass on some paths was becoming overgrown. It was appreciated that the weather could be the cause of the contractor not being able to complete but the Clerk will contact him as a matter of urgency. Finally approval for £1132.00 grant had been awarded.

248 SEASIDE ROAD: Unfortunately Ward Councillor Grove was not in attendance to update the meeting. Concern was expressed regarding his lack of attendance for a number of months now and the Clerk was asked to contact him to ascertain whether he would be attending future meetings. However, a member of the public who resides near to this property was visited last week by the Council Enforcement Officer following a call from a neighbor that her home was not in compliance with regulations. A subsequent inspection revealed that she was in total order. She was also informed that the Council had not yet obtained a Court Order for No 248, and that the occupants would have two months to appeal any decision, then a further 3 months to move out. The Parish Council voiced their concern at this long-running ridiculous saga.

VACANCY FOR PARISH COUNCILLOR: The Clerk stated that following his resignation in May, an advertisement had been placed on the web site, and Parish Notice Board inviting applicants to fill the post. Only two letters had been received, and one referred to a candidate who did not fully fit the criteria in relation to residency. The other applicant, namely Malcolm Turner was unanimously selected to fill this position.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS/DECISIONS: Councillor Fox outlined the following applications.

Change of office space to holiday accommodation at Tansterne Grange for Mr and Mrs Bulless. Full Planning Permission. Councillor Fox stated that he had been unable to decipher the actual plans which were quite simply unreadable. He had telephoned Planning at Beverley who were unable to supply better copies. However, he was categorically informed by Planning that there were no alterations for the outside structure and all was internal. In view of this it was agreed to offer no objection.

Application 12/02499/PLF was received by the Clerk this very date. Refers to demolition of existing dwelling and subsequent rebuild at 'Roseway' The Paddock, Carlton Lane for David Whincup. Councillor Fox would seek an extension and report further.

Previously the Parish Council had objected to 120/01876/TPLF which refers to a storage facility at SSE. At our previous meeting it was wrongly thought as part of Phase 2. The Parish Council still held reservations regarding the roof colouring but agreed to withdraw their original objections which the Clerk would pass on to Shirley Ross at Planning.

Alterations & extensions at 'Yaumati' 14 East Newton Road for Mr & Mrs Kirk approved with conditions.

Demolition of existing farmhouse and outbuildings at Daisy Farm, Church Street and following such demolition erection of new dwelling approved subject to conditions.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Crime Statistics for June were read by the Chairman who then invited PCSO Bainton to address the meeting on any further issues. The officer reiterated the telephone number 101 for people to call in the event of a non emergency. He also stated that there was to be a Police & Partner Forum at the village hall on Thursday 6th September between 1000 and 1200 hours. Councillor Fox reminded him that the problems caused by coaches obstructing the pavements and road near to the school were still prevalent.

PARISH ACCOUNTS: The Clerk stated that he was in the process of finalizing Internet Banking to enable an easier method of making payments and gave the following closing balances as at 1st July 2012. Community Account £3852.68 CR -- Business Money Manager Account £7491.56 CR. -- Poorfields Charity Community Account £401.14 CR -- Poorfields Charity Business Money Manager £7555.83 CR.

Two invoices were presented for approval for payment. Vision ICT (web site) £166.80 and HAPS £278.90. Both approved.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Councillor S.Turner had checked for flooding problems in the village following the heavy rain last Friday. The drains and dykes on Seaside Road were coping well and water was running freely. Only problem was at the dip on Carlton Lane where water was quite deep in the roadway. This did quickly drain away when the rain subsided. Councillor Robinson reiterated the need for this particular drain to be monitored and cleaned on a regular basis as it was an accepted fact of being too small.

Councillor Fox stated that he had contacted Mike Peeke regarding the white lines outside the surgery. He also stated that there were no anti-social behavior forms in the post office. Councillor Floater will remedy this.

Councillor Floater asked for Nick Moore to be added to the allotments waiting list. Mr Moore to email or write to the Clerk.

Councillor Robinson reported that the flashing light warning speeding drivers entering the village was still out of order and traffic continued to speed along this stretch of road particularly 0830 and 1800 hours. The grass verges in the village had not been cut recently and outside contractors had been called in to assist as most of the workforce had been packing sandbags in Goole. The play area on Carlton Drive was in need of cutting which he will monitor.

The position of Poorfields was discussed in relation to the current criteria for handing out monies at Christmas time. Councillor Robinson and the Clerk will attend at the Village Hall to examine the archived records of this charity and report in August.

The Clerk stated that he would be away on holiday for the meeting Monday 10th September and that the school was available the previous week. All agreed to change the date of this meeting to 3rd September. He had also contacted Autela Payroll Services who had completed our PAYE records with the Inland Revenue since the beginning of the year. To cancel the service which amounted to approximately £10 per month would incur a penalty charge of £25, thereafter a further charge to reinstate once the Clerk was receiving payment. He had negotiated with the Company to charge us £10 quarterly until then. This was accepted.

The Chairman then addressed the members of public present thanking them for their attendance and input and that the final item to be discussed was The Localism Act 2011 which they could stay and listen to but this only really affected the Parish Councillors at this stage.

LOCALISM ACT 2011:

Many concerns had been voiced regarding this controversial legislation in particular the disclosure of personal information of not only themselves, but their respective spouses, partners etc. In particular this information would be available for scrutiny both on the Council web site and our own.

The Clerk read through the guidelines which had been published to date following our previous motion to adopt the same procedures as ERYCC. This concluded in each member accepting what had to be done and all agreed to return their completed forms to the Clerk a.s.a.p. so they could be submitted by 28th July 2012.

The meeting concluded at 2125 hours. The date of the next meeting is Monday 13th August 2012.

Signed Dated 13th August 2012