



WARMSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING of the COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting held on 13 February 2017 in the
Community Centre, Low Road West, Warmsworth

Members present: Cllrs G Mullis (Vice Chair, but deputising for Cllr A Wormley), J Auty, M Collinson, C Pattison, C Jackson, R Mullis, A Bennett and S White

In attendance: 2 members of the public and the Clerk Mr. A Bosmans

Apologies: Cllr A Wormley

Members absent: None

17/014 Apologies for absence

It was **resolved** to accept the apology for the reason stated.

17/015 Disclosure of Members interests

None other than those previously discussed in November 2016 and subsequent dispensation.

17/016 To determine applications for dispensations for certain disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests

Cllrs G Mullis, R Mullis and White have been granted dispensation to take part in any debate and vote for this meeting and any future meetings, until 1 May 2019, on agenda items concerning the purchase of the allotments.

17/017 Exclusion of Press and Public

It was **resolved**, to exclude the public or press for item 15i) Performance Considerations.

17/018 Minutes of previous meeting

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 9th. January 2017, which had been previously distributed, be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Vice Chair.

17/019 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda

Both members of the public were upset that Cllr Cole had not attended the meeting since November. The Clerk indicated that it was a recommendation not a requirement, but Parish Councillors were concerned that Cllr Cole was not only absent from meetings, but also not replying to their calls or e-mails. The Clerk agreed to contact Cllr Cole with their concerns.

A member of the public also raised the issue of cars being unloaded at the showroom. The concern was that two had been doing this simultaneously and that this had caused some congestion and was dangerous.

The Clerk stated that he would visit the showroom and express concerns in a polite way as the owners had been very generous to the parish Council with their assistance, particularly at Christmas, in the past.

17/020

Matters Arising

17/006 A resident commented that she was aware of 9 separate objections to the proposed Café hours. Recorded objections were now closed but the Application was heard before full Planning Committee, but was sent back to Planners for further consideration. To Remain on Agenda

The Clerk had not received any reply on Flooding on the A630 Roundabout – Junction 36 – he would give a short period before following up again. To Remain on Agenda

Cllr Mullins updated on the issues on Lord's Head Lane and was continuing – with support from the Clerk and other parish Councillors – to lobby for improvements in traffic management and upgrades to the surface which had degraded especially around the ditches and the bridge. She had drawn Doncaster MBC to Planning restrictions on heavy vehicles using the lane about the proposed development for housing nominally called “Warmsworth Heights” To Remain on Agenda

The issues over Cemetery Parking and the Christmas lights had been discussed informally between both Clerks and a meeting was scheduled for the following week in Edlington. Armthorpe Council had also been e-mailed. To Remain on Agenda

The issues over parking on Low Road West and markings at the end of the road to leave a gap for vehicles turning right – This had not received a reply despite several councillors and the Clerk enquiring. Councillors suggested that a site visit with Dave Worthington may be the answer To Remain on the Agenda.

Assets Team had been informed of Warmsworth Parish Council interest in the Stapleton Road Centre and as this was ongoing it should also remain on the Agenda

17/021

Correspondence

- a. HMRC – Employer Bulletin – December 2016
- b. Northern Gas Networks – E Bulletin
- c. British Gas – E Newsletter
- d. SY Police & Crime Commissioner - Newsletter
- e. Greenfingers – John Sherrin – Proposed Price Increase
- f. Simon Auty – Warmsworth Chronicle – Spring Edition – Request for Information
- g. YLCA – Request from Office of SY Police & Crime – Consultation on Council Tax
- h. PROW – Draft Minutes of last meeting
- i. Turner Warren – February Tax & Tips – E Bulletin
- j. Cllr Phil Cole – Copy of Objection to Café Development
- k. Smith Craven – Tax & Tips - Newsletter
- l. Simon Auty – Article in Chronicle concerning complaint about Carols in the Park 2016
- m. Don Gorge – Agenda for February Meeting

These items were noted en bloc except item e) which was **deferred** until the next meeting and would be held in private session without Press and Public.

Item l had been dealt with separately by both Cllr Mullis and Simon Auty.

An additional item was introduced by agreement as it was a letter of complaint about the way in which the Bollards had been dealt with and the way residents were not consulted in Mill Lane.

The original had been sent to Cllr Wormley but he was away and the matter was urgent.

Agreed

Cllr Pattison agreed to draft a reply for the Clerk to put into a formal letter on headed notepaper.

17/022 Member's items and items for next agenda

1. It was reported that Don Gorge was having its AGM on the same day as the next parish Council but there would be publicity locally.
2. Cllr G Mullis was concerned with dog fouling which was a persistent problem. She urged all Councillors to keep an eye out for rogue dog owners and indicated that DMBC would be increasing on the spot fines especially for owners that cannot prove intent to clear up the "mess".
3. Concern that motorbikes had been traversing across Lords Head Lane and through the Parish causing noise and dirt nuisance especially Sundays in the afternoon. This would be raised with Doncaster Council and there had been recent purges in the village and surrounding area, but the issue had not gone away. Clerk to raise with DMBC
4. Reminder issued to the Clerk about the need for a cupboard in New Hall to obviate the need for the Art Club to access a cupboard in the Front Hall under supervision whilst the Playgroup is in session. Clerk to investigate a small cupboard.
5. Two Councillors raised the issue of playing football on St. George's Field and the amount of mess that the players leave behind as well as some inconsiderate parking on Stapleton Road. The Clerk to raise this with the Lions.
6. A Councillor wanted to draw the attention of the Council to the renovations being undertaken by St Leger Homes and early deliveries causing disturbance to residents as early as 6am. The Clerk stated he would raise the issue with St Leger Homes of Doncaster.

17/023 Financial Matters

<i>a. To approve the following orders for payment</i>	£	Cheque No.
i) Gratuity	1,911.00	000371
ii) Cancelled	0.00	000372
iii) Cancelled	0.00	000373
iv) Post Office Ltd – HMRC – 3 Months	1,692.55	000374
v) Clerk's Salary	767.72	000375
vi) Caretaker's Salary	436.82	000376

Direct Debits

Nil

The above orders for payment were **approved**.

- b.* The Nationwide deposit account, the NatWest and Co-operative current accounts bank statements

and reconciliation to 28 February 2017 were not possible.

The Clerk explained that his predecessor had cancelled everything in the Clerk's name and the banks were not willing to re-instate under a new name without the proper documentation. For the intervening time, it was possible to continue paying any outstanding moneys, and bank receipts, but it was unlikely that he could verify the accounts to the receipts and expenditure until the bank approved him to receive statements.

He also pointed out that security wise, it was not possible for him to raise any unauthorised expenditure as he was not and did not plan to be a signatory on the accounts.

He anticipated that the necessary paperwork, signed by appropriate authorisers, will be in place by the Financial Year end at the end of March 2017.

- c. It was reported by the Clerk that the Co-operative Bank 12-month Fixed Rate Deposit account had matured and was re-invested with confirmation received as such.
- d. Members were presented with a budget which explained where some of the reserves would be spent in 2017 -2018. The priorities were for the floor and Roof in the Front Hall and for certain tasteful renovation to the Cottage.

There was some debate over the prospect of spending money on tarmacking at the allotments when other more pressing expenditure could be allocated to other equally deserving projects especially when substantial amounts had already been paid out to acquire the allotments for posterity.

The Clerk was also asked to clarify if the Budget included allocations for small village "projects" which he was not sure about but he would consider it.

17/024 Matters notified by members

- a. Speeding on Tenter Lane – Cllr Jackson – It was suggested that after numerous and on-going complaints, it might be useful to write to Highways requesting that they come to a future meeting to discuss the matter and possible ways of alleviation – Clerk agreed to write requesting
- b. Holiday Inn – Couple of Issues – Cllr Jackson – The problem was that there were issues over the pond in the Hotel gardens which was clearly in need of some care, and this, along with item g. would be tackled by approaching the new manager as it was understood that the hotel was to be taken over. Cllr White indicated that he had been informed that the hotel was to be closed and the land re-developed. Cllr Pattison and Cllr Jackson agreed to approach the management and investigate these issues.
- c. Parking Enforcement – Mill Lane School – Cllr Jackson – Concern had been expressed over thoughtless parking at school times which was causing many intense arguments and incidences of bad driving and rage. The Head at the School has refused to engage motorists because of verbal abuse. Enforcement would be appropriate but is never done.
Agreed : The Clerk write to the school Head (Mrs Marshall) to request a meeting and see if anything further could be done.
- d. HGV Road signs – Cllr Jackson – It was reported that this had been completed.
- e. Park Path – Cllr Pattison reported that this is one of the items she discussed in her

meeting with the Elected Mayor Ross Jones. Discussions have been had with the Asset Management team with a view to sourcing pockets of funding for the Warmsworth Environment Group to apply for.

- f. Propose Invitation to Commissioner Dr Billings again – Cllr Jackson – This was thought a good idea – The Clerk will request a visit at a date and time to be agreed.
- g. Ivy in the Village – Cllr Jackson see item b)
- h. DMBC Contact Cards – Cllr Jackson – Agreed : to get some more cards ordered for Councillors to hand out – The Clerk will investigate with local printers.
- i. Dog Fouling – As notified by a Resident of Dirleton Drive dealt with under Item 2 **17/022**
- j. Housing Development – Warmsworth Gateway – Dealt with under Matters Arising – **17/020**
- k. One way only – Lord’s Head Lane – This was also partially dealt with under Matters Arising – 17/020 – Councillors asked the Clerk to write to Highways to request the practicalities of one-way operation only.
- l. Local Plan Database – Fields behind Tara Lodge – Cllr Pattison explained that the LDP had been deferred by Doncaster MBC because of issues over HS2. This means that the field is still of interest and will continue to be monitored.

17/025

Matters Carried over from the last meeting

- i) *Removal of the DRI shuttle bus stop at the South Block - Clerk had not received a reply but would consider why.*
- ii) *Planning Application – 53 High Road – Café – Dealt with under Matters Arising but continues to be monitored*
- iii) *Clerk –purchase of the allotments – The Clerk awaiting response from the Solicitors having provided them with their requirements.*
- iv) *Cllr Pattison –Litter Bins – Hair Pin Bend – After some misunderstandings between parties, The Clerk has now received two invoices for two litter bins and had invoiced the Canal Trust and the Environment Agency for 50% each on one of the bins.*
- v) *A resident reported that the incident with the HGV was of concern as the vehicle concerned was parked as an obstruction, on the pavement illegally overnight and the driver had gone into the park the following morning to “go to the toilet.”
The matter had been reported to police who had showed little concern, the HGV company had been asked about the incident and indicated it would not happen again, but there was general concern about using the Park as a toilet at a time when children were around, and parking on a restricted road – The Clerk agreed to contact Grounds Maintenance and Highways at DMBC.*

17/026

Planning Matters

17/00195/FUL – 2 Tenter Road – 2 Storey Extension – This was on the Agenda as Tenter Lane but is in fact Tenter Road – No Observations

The Clerk then asked that a second unscheduled item be introduced as it had arrived after the production of the Agenda, but was important.

17/00061/COU – Change of use to tea room / coffee shop – 5 Mill Lane – Councillors were unhappy that this was a business that would attract yet more traffic at inappropriate times, especially since it was adjacent to the School and would create massive additional concerns over access, parking, noise, disturbance, and pollution.

17/027

To Confirm the date of the next Meeting

Set for Monday 13th March 2016 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Moved Press and Public be excluded – the next part of the Meeting was in “**Closed Session**”