

Holme Valley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 10 APRIL 2006 -

Those present :

Chairman : Cllr Mrs J Spencer

Councillors : Cllr Mrs R Bratt, Cllr G Christofi, Cllr R P Dixon, Cllr D M Firth, Cllr A L Gosslin, Cllr R N Haynes, Cllr Mrs J M Osborn, Cllr A R Otterburn, Cllr Mrs J Roberts, Cllr P J Rodgers, Cllr Mrs H L Rodgers, Cllr P D Searby

Non Councillors : Mr R McGowan

Officers : Mrs E Hirst

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bower, Chilton, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Hobson, Mrs. Jackson, Kaye, Macpherson, Oldfield, Robinson, Rogers and Mrs. Smith.

05 173 Disclosure of Interests

Councillor Dixon declared an interest in planning application 2006/62/91141/W3 - Erection of first floor extension at 262 Dunford Road, Holmfirth.

05 174 Admission of the Public

It was agreed that no items required to be taken in private session.

05 175 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 March 2006 numbered 05 166 - 05 172 inclusive be confirmed as a true record of the meeting.

05 176 Completed planning lists

RESOLVED: That the Completed Planning Lists dated 20 March 2006 numbered 8/2006, 9/2006 and 10/2006 be confirmed.

05 177 Correspondence arising from the Minutes

Flood Risk Management: Members had been circulated with a copy of a letter from Kali Mountford MP together with further information she had sent from Defra. This was in response to the letters sent by this Council with regard to the campaign organised by Cllr. Macpherson.

RESOLVED: That the letter be received and the information contained therein noted.

05 178 Planning Applications - Kirklees M.C.

(1) Consideration was given to Planning Applications relating to the Holme Valley from Lists 11/2006, 12/2006 and 13/2006.

RESOLVED: That the observations as contained in the detailed lists be forwarded to Kirklees MC.

(2) Planning Application 2006/60/90462/W3 - Outline application for erection of one dwelling and garage - Wellhouse, 73 Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth: Members had been circulated with a letter from the applicant in respect of this matter. It was agreed that the Council should adhere to its original comment but that in the light of the further information, the applicant, should he so wish, should re-submit the application together with any further details which were applicable and that this should be considered in the normal way through Kirklees MC.

RESOLVED: That Kirklees MC be advised of the Parish Council's opinion in respect of this application.

(3) Planning Application 2006/62/90377/W3 - Erection of stable block - Midgley Barn, Wickens Lane,

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Upperthong, Holmfirth: It was agreed that the comment made at a previous meeting be reiterated by the Parish Council and that Kirklees MC be informed of this prior to the Committee Meeting on the 13 April 2006.

(4) Planning Application 2006/0227 - Change of use to the manufacture of Dog Food - Lower Drake Hill Farm, Windmill Lane, Upper Cumberworth:

The attention of Members was drawn to an application at the above site. This proposal was very near to the Council's boundary and as such would affect the quality of life in its area. Although the Parish Council had not been consulted it was agreed that a letter expressing the views of the Council should be sent to Barnsley MC Development Control Section.

The main issues were (1) highways; (2) obnoxious smells resulting from the manufacturing process and (3) contrary to green belt policy.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council's concerns be sent to Barnsley MC as detailed above.

05 179 Kirklees MC - Officers Decisions

RESOLVED: That Lists 11/2006, 12/2006 and 13/2006 be received and noted.

05 180 Consultation

(1) A628 - Impact of A628 on Mottram Tintwistle bypass on A6024 - Transport Campaigner - Friends of the Peak District: A copy of correspondence in this matter had been circulated to all Members. Members were concerned that the knock on effect of a bypass as detailed could have a detrimental affect on the area and could result in increased usage of the A6024 over the Holme Moss route.

It was agreed that a letter of concern should be sent to the Highways Agency outlining the Council's concerns as follows -

The Council is very concerned about the forecast increase in traffic using the A6024 between the Woodhead Route and Holmfirth. The predicted increase in this traffic would be unacceptable, considering the character of the road in question and its route through a number of small communities.

There are also concerns about possible future levels of traffic through the complex junction at New Mill, which would require major improvement before it could cope with significant increases in traffic passing through.

RESOLVED: That a letter along the above lines be sent to the Highways Agency.

Cllr. Firth also indicated that a meeting was to be held at Langsett Parish Council and he would supply details of this meeting should anyone wish to attend.

(2) The North West Plan - Draft Regional Spatial Strategy for the North West of England - North West Regional Assembly:

Members noted the receipt of the above Draft Regional Spatial Strategy.

3) Committee on Radioactive Waste Management (CoRWM) - Press Release:

A copy of the above Press Release had been circulated to all Members.

RESOLVED: That the Press Release be received and noted.

(4) Kirklees MC Highways Services - Oldfield village - location of village signs: A copy of information as to the suggested sites for signs for Oldfield village had been circulated to all Members. It was agreed that the sites were acceptable.

RESOLVED: That the Officer at Kirklees MC be informed that the Parish Council agrees with the suggested sites for signs for Oldfield village; the signs to be provided at no cost to the Parish Council.

(5) Yorkshire in Bloom Competition - Holmfirth: The Parish Council had been informed at a very late stage that it was proposed to enter Holmfirth in the above competition. A communication from Kirklees

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MC asked for the Council's support and the Officer writing also offered to attend a future meeting to inform Members what exactly was involved. It was felt this matter was a General Purposes Committee issue and that the Officer should be invited to attend the first General Purposes Committee meeting in the new Civic Year.

Cllr. Christofi indicated he would be attending a meeting in the near future and would inform the Parish Council of the matter.

RESOLVED: That the above course of action be taken.

05 181 Appeals

(1) Decision Notices - The Planning Inspectorate -

2005/62/92532/W3 - Appeal by Mr. R.M. Davies - Site at 37 Oakes Lane, Brockholes: Members noted that the Appeal had been allowed.

RESOLVED: That the Decision Notice be received and noted.

(2) Written representation procedure

2005/60/93412/W3 - Appeal by E. G. Armitage - Outline application for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Long Ing Farm, off Long Ing Road, Hade Edge:

2005/60/93152/W3 - Appeal by Mrs. A Morrison and Mr. M. Mill - land at Hilcote, Horn Lane, New Mill - outline application for residential development (one dwelling):

It was agreed that the comments made on the above applications could be reiterated in respect of both Appeals and that the comments should be sent before the due date in both cases.

RESOLVED: That the above course of action be taken.

05 182 Peak National Park

(1) NP/K/0106/0064 - Erection of garage and machinery store and erection of detached double garage and necessary excavation and retaining walls - Meal Hill Farm, Meal Hill Road, Holme:

A letter had been received from the Peak District NPA informing the Parish Council that the above application had been withdrawn.

RESOLVED: That the letter be received and noted.

(2) Peak District NPA - Annual Report 2004/05: The Annual Report in respect of 2005/06 was available should Councillors have an interest.

RESOLVED: That the report be received and noted.

05 183 Representation

Planning Peer Review: The Deputy Clerk reported on her attendance at the Peer Review Workshop. This had been held at Civic Centre III and had been attended by other Parish Councils, Kirklees MC and the Civic Society. The purpose of the review had been to try and ascertain how Kirklees MC Planning Services functioned and how those present felt the Service performed. The Planning Advisory Service undertook the review and a report would be published in due course as to the outcome and whether areas were identified where there could be some improvement.

RESOLVED: That the Deputy Clerk be thanked for attending the Review and that the report on the outcome of it be awaited.

05 184 Footpaths

Public Footpath Holmfirth 156 at Daisy Lee, Holmfirth: Members had been circulated with a further letter in respect of the proposed diversion of the above footpath. It was now indicated that the Footpaths Officer had met with the applicant on site and that the best route had been agreed. It was indicated the proposals would fulfil the legal criteria and would be acceptable given the requirements on the applicant to provide a suitable path. This would be reported to the Kirklees MC Planning and Highways Committee. The suggestions put forward by the Parish Council had not been found to be suitable.

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RESOLVED: That the contents of the letter be noted and that no further comment be made.

05 185 Freedom of Information Act 2000

RESOLVED: That under the Council's Publication Scheme, supporting papers for any item within the public session of the meeting be made available, if requested.

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Chairman