

# Holme Valley Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 11 JULY 2005 -

Those present :

Chairman : Cllr J R Chilton

Vice-Chairman : Cllr Mrs J Spencer

Councillors : Cllr M Bower, Cllr Mrs M Bower, Cllr Mrs M P Court, Cllr A L Gosslin, Cllr R N Haynes, Cllr Mrs S Hobson, Cllr Mrs R Jackson, Cllr Mrs W J Kemp, Cllr R Oldfield, Cllr Mrs J M Osborn, Cllr Mrs J Roberts, Cllr P Robinson, Cllr Mrs H L Rodgers, Cllr P J Rodgers, Cllr P D Searby, Cllr Mrs H P Smith

Officers : Mrs MA Bewick, Mrs E Hirst

One member of the public was present.

### **Public Question Time**

The member of the public present had no questions to put to the Council.

### **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bellamy, Mrs. Bratt, Collins, Dalton, Dixon, Firth, Garrod, Mrs. Hall, Kaye, Macpherson, Oldham, Otterburn, Robinson (for late arrival) and Rogers.

### **05 12 Disclosure of Interests**

None were given.

### **05 13 Admission of the Public**

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

### **05 14 Chairman's Opening Remarks**

The Chairman reported that he had attended his first event on behalf of the Council, New Mill Gala, which had proved a most enjoyable occasion. He also informed Members that he had decided not to hold a civic service, as he wished to maximise the charitable donation which he would make at the end of his civic year. In view of this, he had, therefore, decided not to attend other civic services as he would not be reciprocating the invitations.

He also informed Members that he had been contacted by the local paper, and by Holme Valley Business Association about concerns about parking and deliveries in Victoria Street, Holmfirth. He had been quoted accurately by the press, and had offered to meet with the Chairman of the Business Association in this respect. The Chairman of the General Purposes Committee would report back to the Committee about the meeting which she had attended with the Business Association, as had been agreed by the Committee.

### **05 15 To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 May 2005 numbered 04 116 - 04 129 inclusive be confirmed.

### **05 16 To confirm the Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on 16 May 2005 numbered 05 01 - 05 11 inclusive be confirmed.

### **05 17 To confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Planning Committees held on 9 May 2005 numbered 04 177 - 04 185, 16 May 2005 numbered 05 01 - 05 02, 1 June 2005 numbered 05 03 - 05 13, 13 June 2005 numbered 05 14 - 05 27 and on 4 July 2005 numbered 05 28 - 05 37 inclusive be confirmed.

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Cllr. Mrs. Roberts asked that there be a discussion at a future meeting of the Planning Committee to request again of Kirklees MC that reasons be given to the Parish Council where decisions on planning applications are contrary to the Parish Council's recommendation.

### **05 18 To confirm the Minutes of the Publications and Editorial Committee**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Publications and Editorial Committees held on 16 May 2005 numbered 05 01, 7 June 2005 numbered 05 02 - 05 09 and on 4 July 2005 numbered 05 10 - 05 17 inclusive be confirmed.

### **05 19 To receive the Minutes of the General Purposes Committee**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the General Purposes Committees held on 16 May 2005 numbered 05 01 - 05 02 and on 20 June 2005 numbered 05 03 - 05 16 inclusive be received and adopted.

### **05 20 To receive the Minutes of the Finance and Management Committee**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Finance and Management Committees held on 16 May 2005 numbered 05 01 - 05 02 and on 27 June 2005 numbered 05 03 - 05 21 inclusive be received and adopted.

In connection with Minute number 05 20, the Clerk informed Members that Kirklees MC Planning Officer had indicated that the taxi operator was being advised to apply for new planning permission, as he was operating in contravention of current planning conditions. If this did not happen, enforcement action could be taken. Given that the current planning permission was in the name of the Parish Council, the Clerk asked for authority to take any action that was necessary to safeguard the Council's position.

RESOLVED: That that action as recommended by the Finance and Management Committee be reaffirmed, and that the Clerk be authorised, after consulting with the Chairman of the Council and of Finance and Management Committee, to take any action necessary to safeguard the Council's position in respect of this tenancy and the planning conditions.

### **05 21 Accounts for Payment**

RESOLVED: That the payment of accounts for May 2005, totalling £8,171.77 and June 2005, totalling £9,560.17 be approved.

### **05 22 To appoint Substitute Panels**

In accordance with Standing Orders 3.8 and 28.15 - 28.18, and the Council's earlier resolution to continue the practice of substitutes, it was necessary to receive nominations for such panels from the Liberal Democrat and Independent groupings on the Panel (Annual Council Minute number 05 08 refers).

RESOLVED: That nominations for Substitute Panels from the above groupings remain as before, subject to Cllr. Bellamy's agreement; nominations from the Independent grouping to be referred back to the next meeting of the Council if Cllr. Bellamy so wishes.

### **05 23 Local Area Committees**

Members were asked to consider revised representation to the Kirklees MC Area Committee. The previous Holme Valley South and North Area Committees had been merged with Colne Valley and Golcar to form one Valleys Area Committee. Only 4 places were now allocated to this Parish Council.

The Chairman indicated that he felt that in view of this change, representation on the Area Committee was important, and that the Parish Council needed to ensure that it was represented regularly at Area Committee meetings, and that its views were presented strongly at meetings. After discussion, it was

RESOLVED: (1) That the Council be represented on the Kirklees MC Valleys Area Committee by the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Council, and by Cllr. Oldfield and Cllr. Mrs. Roberts

(2) That the Council seeks agreement from Kirklees MC to the appointment of reserve representatives to substitute, if necessary, for the above; such nominations to be: Cllrs. Mrs. Court, Mrs. Hobson, Robinson and Mrs. Smith.

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Cllr. Robinson arrived during this item and apologised for his late arrival.

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**05 24 Representatives to Outside Bodies**

At the meeting of the General Purposes Committee, it had been queried why the Council was not represented on the Public Rights of Way Forum (General Purposes Committee Minute number 05 10 refers). On being informed that this had been a previous decision taken by the Committee, Cllr. Mrs. Court had asked if this decision could be reconsidered, and had indicated her interest in so representing the Council on this organisation.

RESOLVED: That Kirklees Public Rights of Way Forum be informed that the Council would wish to be represented again on the organisation, and that it be represented by Cllr. Mrs. M. Court.

**05 25 Representation**

(1) Members considered representation at the following events:

(a) YLCA - Annual General Meeting 2005 - Leeds - 16 July 2005

RESOLVED: That the Council be represented at this Meeting by Cllr. Andrea Gosslin, with full voting rights; all associated expenses to be paid by the Council.

(b) YLCA and YHRTP - Joint Training Conference - Scarborough - 30 September - 2 October 2005

RESOLVED: That the information be noted.

(2) Tidy Trader Competition - the Clerk reported that the Council had been asked to appoint a judge for the competition for this year. Mr. C. Morton had acted as an independent judge last season, and would continue to do so this year.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. Otterburn be appointed as the Council's judge on this Panel.

(3) Parish Charter - It was hoped that the Parish Charter between Kirklees MC and Parish and Town Councils would be approved by the Kirklees Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee in the next week, and it was suggested that there should be a formal ceremony in the early part of September to celebrate this partnership agreement. Members were asked to suggest dates and to give an indication of numbers of representatives who would wish to attend. Indications were given to the Clerk of Members interested in attending, but without confirmation of timing or dates, several Members were unable to be specific about attending. Suitable times and dates were also suggested.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk indicates to Kirklees MC that the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Council plus several other Members would wish to attend such a ceremony, but specific names would have to await confirmation of the date and time.

**05 26 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**