

# Holme Valley Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 16 MARCH 2009 -

Those present :

Chairman : Cllr Mrs J Roberts

Councillors : Cllr L Bailey, Cllr T Bellamy, Cllr Mrs R Bratt, Cllr G Christofi, Cllr J G Cropper, Cllr T W Dixon, Cllr R P Dixon, Cllr P S Hirst, Cllr C M Kaye, Cllr Mrs J M Osborn, Cllr P D Searby, Cllr M A Walker

Non Councillors : Mr D Cuttell

Officers : Mrs S S Barber, Mrs MA Bewick

### Open Session at Planning

Three members of the public were present; one of them addressed Members regarding Application No. 2009/62/90448/W1 on Planning List 09/2009 (Netherthong Post Office, Netherthong) and one addressed Members regarding Application No. 2009/62/90524/W2 on Planning List 10/2009 (19 Westgate, Honley).

Cllr R P Dixon, having declared a prejudicial interest, exercised his right under Paragraph 12(2) of the Council's Code of Conduct, to address Members regarding Application No. 2009/70/90576/W1 (The Bungalow, Snittle Road, Hade Edge).

### 08 254 To accept Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs Bower, Dearnley, Firth, Mrs Hall, Oldfield and B A Smith.

In the absence of the Vice Chairman, Cllr Mrs Osborn assisted the Chairman.

### 08 255 To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session

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

### 08 256 To receive Members' declarations of interest in items on the agenda

Cllrs R P Dixon and T W Dixon declared a prejudicial interest in Item 29 on the Planning List - Application No. 2009/70/90576/W1 - The Bungalow, Snittle Road, Hade Edge, Holmfirth.

### 08 257 To confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 February 2009 numbered 08 242 - 08 253 inclusive be confirmed and adopted as a true record of the meeting.

### 08 258 Completed planning lists

RESOLVED: That the Completed Lists dated 23 February 2009, numbered 05/2009, 06/2009 and 07/2009 be confirmed.

### 08 259 Correspondence arising from the Minutes

Minute number 08 107(1b) - Inclusion in pharmaceutical list for new premises in the vicinity of Holmfirth: Further correspondence had been received from WYCSA/NHS. Members noted that the Litigation Authority panel has dismissed the appeal and the application remains rejected.

Members noted the invitation to a talk to be given on 26 March 2009 at 7pm, at Hall Bower Sunday School, Newsome, by Mr Patrick Auterson (Policy Manager, Kirklees Planning & Building Control Services).

RESOLVED: That the above be noted.

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### **08 260 Planning Applications - Kirklees M.C.**

It was proposed and seconded that items 16, 27 and 29 be taken first in priority order. This was so RESOLVED.

Cllrs R P Dixon and T Dixon withdrew from the meeting during consideration of item 29 on the list.

Consideration was given to planning applications relative to the Holme Valley from Lists 08/2009, 09/2009 and 10/2009.

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

### **08 261 Kirklees MC - Officers Decisions**

RESOLVED: That Lists 08/2009, 09/2009 and 10/2009 be received and noted.

### **08 262 Peak National Park**

Peak District National Park Authority - Planning Decision Notice - Lane Head Farm, Woodhead Road, Holme: Members noted the receipt of a Planning Decision Notice, whereby a variation of condition 6 was granted.

RESOLVED: That the information supplied be noted.

### **08 263 Consultation**

(1) Oldham Council - Local Development Framework Core Strategy Regulation 25 consultation - "Preferred Options": Members noted the information received but did not wish to make a comment.

RESOLVED: That the information supplied be noted.

(2) Kirklees Local Development Framework Core Strategy: Members noted that the consultation period was from 23 February to 3 April 2009, and various drop-in sessions were being held, some of which had been attended by Members. Members had now appointed a Working Party who were considering the next submission in connection with the preparation of the Local Development Framework.

RESOLVED: (i) That the LDF Working Party take up the offer of a meeting with a member of the Kirklees LDF Team, and report back to full Council on any further information gained.

(ii) That the Clerk be authorised to incorporate the Working Party's comments to date, for presentation to full Council.

(3) Potential Planning Application on behalf of Tesco: Members noted a request from Tesco to attend a future Planning Committee meeting to give a presentation on their proposals. An application had not yet been submitted to Kirklees Council, but Members agreed that it would be helpful to receive further details of the proposals and to have the opportunity to listen to all sides of the story.

However, as agreed at a previous Committee Meeting (Minute number 08 111 refers), the Clerk should seek advice from the Monitoring Officer on behalf of the Council. Members were reminded of the need to consider any personal or prejudicial interests they may have, and to refer to guidance previously circulated from the Standards Board for England on pre-determination and bias.

RESOLVED: (i) That the Clerk should contact Tesco to invite them to an appropriate Planning Committee meeting.

(ii) That objectors' group/s should be invited to present information to the Planning Committee on a separate occasion.

(iii) That the Clerk should seek advice from the Monitoring Officer on behalf of the Council, as a significant number of Members of the Council could be affected and require advice on their personal position.

### **08 264 Footpaths**

(1) DEFRA: Members noted correspondence received from DEFRA regarding an appeal by Mr G Sellars against the decision of Kirklees Council not to make an order modifying the Definitive Map by the addition of two claimed public footpaths across land at and adjacent to Holmfirth Cattle Market, Woodhead Road, Holmfirth. The appeal is allowed in part.

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RESOLVED: That the above be noted.

(2) Request from Higham & Co, Chartered Surveyors for information on Public Right of Way, Old Turnpike to Woodhead Road, Honley: Copies of the correspondence received had been circulated to Brockholes and Honley Ward Councillors, and potentially useful contact names were put forward to the Clerk for submission to Higham & Co for them to pursue further.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk should forward appropriate contact names to Higham & Co.

### **08 265 Planning matters**

Yorkshire Water improvement programme in the Upper Holme Valley: Members noted correspondence from local residents expressing their concerns regarding recent and proposed improvement works to Ramsden, Riding Wood and Brownhill Reservoirs. The residents had made some interesting comments and put forward a good case, and it was therefore agreed that Yorkshire Water should be invited to a future Planning Committee meeting to discuss further these concerns.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk should contact Yorkshire Water to pass on the residents' concerns and invite representatives to a future Planning Committee meeting.

### **08 266 Freedom of Information Act 2000 - to agree what information will be made available to the public**

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**