

Holme Valley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE HELD AT THE EXHIBITION ROOM at THE CIVIC, HUDDERSFIELD ROAD, HOLMFIRTH HD9 3AS on MONDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Those present:

Chair: Cllr Andy Wilson

Vice Chair: Cllr Tom Dixon

Councillors: Isaac Barnett, Mary Blacka, Pat Colling, Steve Ransby, Martin Rostron

Officer: Mr Richard McGill (Deputy Clerk)

Welcome

Cllr Wilson welcomed Members to this meeting of the Planning Standing Committee.

Open Session at Planning

No members of the public were present.

2324 76 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 on 6 August 2014

As Local (Parish and Town) Council meetings can now be recorded, the Chair checked if any members of the public wished to record the meeting, to ensure reasonable facilities could be provided. None wanted to record the meeting. The meeting was already being recorded by the Officer for public broadcast via the Holme Valley Parish Council YouTube channel.

2324 77 To Accept Apologies for Absence

NOTED: Cllr Fenwick, Cllr Fernandes and Cllr James were absent.

NOTED: Cllr Barnett had let the Parish Council know he would be a few minutes late to the meeting and would have to leave early.

Cllr Fernandes has a dispensation in place approved at CACE 4 September 2023. Cllr James had submitted an apology with the reason for absence.

RESOLVED: The reasons for absence from Cllrs Fernandes and James were approved by the Committee.

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2324 78 To receive Members' and Officers' personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda

- Cllr Liles disclosed a personal interest in planning application 2324/05/02 under agenda item 2324 83.
- Cllr Wilson disclosed a personal interest in planning application 2324/05/08 and 2324/05/09 under agenda item 2324 83.
- Cllr Ransby disclosed a personal interest in planning application and 2324/05/05 under agenda item 2324 83.

2324 79 To consider written requests for new DPI dispensations

None had been received.

2324 80 To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session

RESOLVED: It was determined that no item would be heard in private session.

2324 81 To confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 14 August 2023, numbered 2324 55 – 2324 75 inclusive were approved.

2324 82 Completed Kirklees Planning Applications List

NOTED: The Committee noted list 2324-04 updated with the views of the Committee.

2324 83 Kirklees Council - New Planning Applications

New or amended applications received from Kirklees Council 8 August 2023 to 5 September 2023 inclusive – List 2324-05 were considered by the Committee.

RESOLVED: That the Planning Committee's comments on the above applications be forwarded to Kirklees Council by the Deputy Clerk.

Cllr Barnett arrived during this item at 1912hrs and left at 1925hrs.

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2324 84 Kirklees Council - Planning Officers' Decisions

NOTED: The Committee noted the list of Decision Notices issued by Kirklees Council for the period 8 August 2023 to 5 September 2023 inclusive.

2324 85 Neighbourhood Planning and Reviewing Parish Council Outcomes

i. Purchase and placement of additional SID for the Holme Valley

The Chair brought Members up to date on the progress of purchasing a speed indicator device (SID) for the Parish Council:

- At the full Council meeting on 27th March councillors approved the expenditure of up to £5,000 on a mobile speed indicator device (SID).
- Cllr Moses Crook (Kirklees councillor for Holme Valley South) had offered to act informally as liaison between HVPC and Kirklees Highways (SIDs team and Road Safety team).
- The Deputy Clerk had asked the SIDs team to invoice the Parish Council for the SID and the attendant package agreed but this is not yet forthcoming.
- At the last meeting of this Committee, it was resolved that the priority locations for the SID would be four sites, - two locations on Holmfirth Road between Holmfirth and New Mill and two locations on Woodhead Road between Hinchliffe Mill and Holme village.
- Cllr Wilson has been in contact with the SIDs team to clarify the types of lampposts suitable for a SID and likely timeframes for the project.
- Cllr Wilson has proposed 5 locations for the SID. These were:
 1. Woodhead Road going towards Holmbridge from Holmfirth – Lighting Column 157. (Catch Restaurant).
 2. Woodhead Road going towards Holmfirth from Holmbridge – Lighting Column 168. (Brynd Lea)
 3. New Mill going towards Holmfirth – Lighting Column 70.
 4. Holmfirth going towards New Mill – Lighting Column 71.
 5. Woodhead Road going towards Holmbridge from Holme – Lighting Column 224.

RESOLVED: The Committee resolved that these would be the first five locations for the SID once purchased and in use.

RESOLVED: The Committee resolved to delay the identification of three further locations for the SID until after the SID was purchased.

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ii. Traffic calming

At a previous Planning meeting on 3rd July, Cllr Fenwick agreed to form a working group with Cllr Greaves to progress a pilot for “Parking Buddies” bollards in local primary schools with a budget of up to £1,000.

Cllr Fenwick was due to meet with Cllr Greaves and Cllr Bellamy to go forward with plans for the pilot during week beginning 21 August 2023.

RESOLVED: Cllr Fenwick was absent from this meeting, so this item was deferred to the next meeting.

iii. Planning Committee Priorities

The chair of Holme Valley Parish Council has signalled her intention to table a motion regarding the identification of key priorities for full Council and, within that, of each of the Standing Committees, for the term 2023-27. This will go to full Council 9 October 2023. Ahead of this, feedback is requested regarding the selection of key priorities and actions for both Holme Valley Parish Council as a whole and the Planning Committee in particular via the Priorities 2023-2027 proforma. Cllr Wilson and Cllr Blacka have drawn up a draft proposal of priorities for consideration.

RESOLVED: Cllr Wilson and Cllr Blacka would work together to draw up the Planning Committee Priorities.

In addition to the priorities in the current draft, the Committee also resolved to:

- include an item wherein the Parish Council begins to develop more of a role in elements of town planning to encompass things like traffic management, street furniture, signage, accessibility, design codes and so on;
- carrying that on, that the Parish Council would endeavour to work in partnership with Kirklees Council and Holmfirth Conservation Group to draw up conservation area management plans for all the conservation areas in the Holme Valley;
- ensure that any pending reviews of the Local Plan would be reflected in the Parish Council’s work.

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2324 86 Peak District National Park Authority

- i. **NOTED:** Members noted Planning Applications List 2324 02PD updated with Holme Valley Parish Council comments.
- ii. New applications from the Peak District National Park received in the period 28 August 2023 to 5 September 2023 were considered by the committee.
RESOLVED: That the Planning Committee's comments on the above applications be forwarded to the Peak District National Park Authority by the Deputy Clerk.
- iii. **NOTED:** No new decision notices from the Peak District National Park were received in the period 8 August 2023 to 5 September 2023.
- iv. **RESOLVED:** The Committee resolved that no further action was needed.

2223 87 Ongoing Highways campaigns

The ongoing campaigns are:

- i. **Burnlee Road Closure**
- ii. **Ramsden Road**
- iii. **Cartworth Moor Road**
- iv. **Cheesegate Nab**
- v. **Netherthong centre**
- vi. **South Lane**

Cllr Wilson reported that there had been few developments with any of these localities. These issues would be discussed at the pending meeting with Kirklees Ward Councillors. Cllr Wilson would draw up the agenda.

Cllr Liles reported on contact she had had with residents at South Lane and Burnlee Road, where she considered that Kirklees was acting unlawfully with regard to the ownership of walls. She had been in discussion with English Heritage about this.

Cllr Dixon also reported on Kirkbridge Lane, where there was similar slippage to the roadway, and was hopeful that work was pending.

2324 88 Unmade Roads, Green Lanes and Byways of the Holme Valley

There had still been no response from Kirklees Directors about the suggestion for an overarching policy for unmade roads within the local authority.

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2324 89 Footpaths and Public Rights of Way

NOTED: There had been no meetings of the PROW group for some time.

There was a discussion of doing more to improve signposting and waymarking of footpaths in the Holme Valley. The PROW team and Holmfirth Walkers are Welcome would be contacted about this. The Committee budget might potentially be used to improve footpath signage.

2324 90 Planning Policy and Guidance

NOTED: At the meeting on 3 July 2023 the committee resolved to invite Kirklees officer for Conservation, Design, Ecology & Trees, Helen Bower to attend a video conferencing session with the planning committee. She has not responded to this invite.

RESOLVED: That the committee will request an alternative contact in the Heritage team.

2324 91 Design Code

At the meeting on 3 July 2023 Cllr Ransby formed a working group to progress proposals on "Design Codes for High Quality Shopfronts and Advertisements". Cllr Ransby reported that progress had been made and a the team were working on their second draft to be considered by the Holmfirth Conservation Group.

2324 92 West Yorkshire Combined Authority Rail Strategy Consultation

NOTED: the Committee noted that the Parish Council's response to the Rail Strategy Consultation had been shared by email with WYCA, and the response received.

2324 93 Kirklees Flood Management Plan

Cllr Blacka had, with Cllr Wilson, drafted a response by the Parish Council to the consultation on the Kirklees Flood Management Plan.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council's report be forwarded to the consultation. Separately, the Committee discussed whether the Parish Council had any scope for being more pro-active with regard to local flood management by, for example, some manner of tree-planting in affected areas. This might be a consideration for the CACE Committee.

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2324 94 Consultation on an upgrade to a mobile base station and mast

The Committee considered the Parish Council's response to the consultation on the proposed Cornerstone base station upgrade at Tinker's Tower hill in Fulstone.

RESOLVED: to comment "No objection" to the consultation on this development.

2324 95 Place Standards

NOTED: The Chair had little to report at this stage other than to state that there had been agreement reached on the agenda format for future meetings.

2324 96 Committee Budget 2023-24

- i. **NOTED:** The Planning Committee has one budget line under its remit. This is 4505 Neighbourhood Plan. Its purpose is to support initiatives arising from the Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan.

At the start of the Council year, the budget contains £3,000.

In earmarked reserves, the Committee oversees two funds, -

- £3,000 earmarked for the Holmfirth Market project.
- £7,000 earmarked for Road Safety; of this up to £5,000 has been committed to the purchase of a SID.

Other potential opportunities to use the Committee's budget had been discussed at this meeting, including improving footpath signage.

It was suggested that the Holmfirth Market earmarked reserve might not be needed.

- ii. The last remaining printed copies of the Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan have now been made available to Planning Committee Members. Copies are still available for Cllr Barnett, Cllr Fernandes, Cllr James and Cllr Fenwick.

RESOLVED: Before committing to printing more copies of the Neighbourhood Development Plan, the Parish Council would first endeavour to retrieve copies from Councillors who have left the Parish Council.

2324 97 Publicising the work of Holme Valley Parish Council

RESOLVED: HVPC Planning Committee comments on new planning applications to be published on the HVPC website. Most other items, like purchase of the SID, were still at the 'pending' stage.

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