

Holme Valley Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of the PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE held at the EXHIBITION ROOM at THE CIVIC, HUDDERSFIELD ROAD, HOLMFIRTH HD9 3AS on MONDAY 17 JUNE 2024 at 700pm.

In attendance:

Chair: Cllr Mary Blacka

Vice Chair: Cllr Andy Wilson

Cllr Damien Brook, Cllr Par Colling, Cllr Tom Dixon, Cllr Donald Firth, Cllr Jo Liles, Cllr Steve Ransby

Approved Apologies:

Cllr Isaac Barnett, Cllr Andrew Fenwick

- AGENDA – (A)

Welcome

Open Session at Planning

3 Members of the public attended. One spoke regarding a certificate of lawfulness application not included on the agenda.

An **Action** for the Assistant Clerk is to include the certificate of lawfulness application on the next meeting agenda for discussion.

2425 42 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 on 6 August 2014

The meeting was already being recorded by the Officer for public broadcast via the Holme Valley Parish Council YouTube channel.

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.

Resolved: No one else wished to record the meeting.

2425 43 To accept apologies for absence

Cllr Barnett, Cllr Fenwick were absent from the meeting and had sent apologies.

Resolved: The reasons for Cllr Barnett's and Cllr Fenwick's apologies were approved by the Committee.

2425 44 To receive Members' and Officers' personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda

All Councillors disclosed a personal interest in planning application 2425/03/03 and because this was an application pertaining to a building owned by the Parish Council

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under item 2425 50.

Cllr Ransby disclosed a personal interest in planning application 2425/03/11 under item 2425 50.

2425 45 To consider written requests for new DPI dispensations

None to consider.

2425 46 To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session

Resolved: The Committee resolved that no items would be taken in private session.

2425 47 Consultation – Proposed Stopping up of Highway at St Marys Avenue, Netherthong, Holmfirth HD9 3XN

A notice of a public consultation was received, for a proposal to make an Order under section 247 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to authorise the stopping up of a northern part width of St Mary's Avenue consisting of footway at Holmfirth in the metropolitan borough of Kirklees, along with accompanying draft order, and draft plan.

Objections must be received by the Department for Transport by midnight on 5 July 2024

Noted: Documents received from Department for Transport regarding the consultation on the proposed stopping up of Highway at St Marys Avenue, Netherthong, Holmfirth were noted by the committee.

2425 48 To Confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Approved: Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 20 May 2024, numbered 2425 20 – 2425 41 inclusive were approved by the committee.

The Chair reported on the ward allocations for considering new planning applications. Cllrs Brook and Firth agreed to take on additional wards when requested.

The Chair reported on the Saddleworth Local Plan response and a desire to engage with Saddleworth Parish Council on this matter to share best practice and knowledge in the future.

2425 49 Completed Kirklees Planning Applications List

Noted: The list of Kirklees planning applications 16 April 2024 to 14 May 2024 updated with the views of the Committee was noted by the committee.

2425 50 Kirklees Council - New Planning Applications

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Members considered the new or amended applications received from Kirklees Council 14 May 2024 to 11 June 2024 inclusive – List 2425-03.

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

2425 51 Kirklees Council - Planning Officers' Decisions

Noted: The list of Decision Notices issued by Kirklees Council for the period 14 May 2024 to 11 June 2024 inclusive was noted by the committee.

2425 52 Neighbourhood Planning and Reviewing Parish Council Outcomes

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

- At the full Council meeting on 27th March 2023 councillors approved the expenditure of up to £5,000 on a mobile speed indicator device (SID). At a meeting of the planning committee on 11 March 2024 Cllr Wilson reported that the SID was now active within the scheme for Holme Valley South. The Parish Council is still to be invoiced for the first SID.
- At a meeting of the planning committee on 5 February 2024 Cllrs resolved that the clerking team would progress the purchase of a second SID for the Holme Valley. The costs of the second SID have been received from Kirklees officers 10 May 2024 and the second SID ordered.

No further updates had been received. The Assistant Clerk will follow up progress with the invoices and order status of the second device.

ii. Traffic calming

The Assistant Clerk 13th May 2024 ordered a second set of six Think Before You Park bollards, this time, for Brockholes School. The cost is £474 plus £94.80 VAT (which the Parish Council reclaims) totalling £568.80.

Cllr Wilson reported that feedback so far from Upperthong School had been positive and that they were working towards a solution on storing the bollards overnight.

2425 53 Peak District National Park Authority

- i. No new or amended applications were received from the Peak District National Park Authority planning applications 16 April 2024 to 14 May 2024 to be updated with the views of the Committee.
- ii. No new or amended applications were received by Peak District National Park Authority 14 May 2024 to 11 June 2024 inclusive.
- iii. No new decision notices from the Peak District National Park received in the period 14

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May 2024 to 11 June 2024.

iv. **Resolved:** no further action.

2425 54 Ongoing highways campaigns, including unmade roads, green lanes and byways of the Holme Valley

The ongoing campaigns are:

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

Cllr Wilson updated the committee on consultation work relating to Ramsden Road and recommendations from Kirklees planners on Cartworth Quarry.

The Chair updated the committee on a report from Cllr Green who had attended a Kirklees Public Rights of Way meeting on 14 May 2024 including map modifications at Wood Nook (Honley), Washpit Mills, Scholes Cricket Club and the Chippings site, footpath maintenance at Sands Rec and Wooldale.

Action: Cllr Blacka will follow up with Cllr Green on representation at such meetings going forward.

Action: An Action for the Assistant Clerk is to request directional arrow disks for footpaths from Kirklees with support on installation from Cllr Liles.

2425 55 Planning Policy and Guidance

i. **Relationship with Kirklees Planning Authority**

At the planning meeting on 22 April 2024 Cllrs approved a letter to be sent to Kirklees ward councillors and CEO to follow up on correspondence regarding establishing a working relationship on conservation and heritage and the publication of pre-app advice.

Noted: 2 Responses have been received from Mathias Franklin, Head of Planning and Development at Kirklees Council on 7 June 2024.

Members discussed the email correspondence on Pre-app advice.

Resolved: Cllr Liles and Cllr Blacka will draft a response to the email from Kirklees planning about the publication of Pre-App advice.

Members discussed the email from Kirklees Planning about heritage.

Resolved: The Assistant Clerk will accept the offer of a meeting with the Heritage Officer from Kirklees on behalf of the committee, to take place after 23 September 2024.

ii. Planning Rules for Farm Buildings

Noted: The committee noted that on 21 May 2024 the government announced that farmers will be able to convert their unused buildings into new homes and shops due to new rules around permitted development. More information can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/planning-red-tape-slashed-for-farmers>

Action: An action for Cllr Liles is to circulate the digital copy amongst the committee.

iii. Neighbourhood planning design coding guidance

Noted: The committee noted the new guidance produced by Locality following the learnings and findings of the Design Code Pathfinder Programme where DLUHC funded four neighbourhood planning groups to produce design codes: <https://neighbourhoodplanning.org/toolkits-and-guidance/neighbourhood-planning-design-coding-guidance/>

2425 56 Design Code

Cllr Ransby reported that he would share the digital text draft of the Design Code with the committee via the Assistant Clerk.

Action: An action for the Assistant Clerk is to share the draft text with the committee and include an item for discussion on the agenda for the next meeting.

2425 57 Place Standards, Holmfirth Blueprint, Holmfirth Town Centre Access Plan

At the Annual Council Meeting, 13 May 2024, the Parish Council **resolved** that the Planning Standing Committee should look to better engage with Kirklees officers and stakeholders in respect of the Holmfirth Blueprint.

At the previous meeting of the planning committee on 20 May 2024 it was **resolved** that Cllr Blacka would contact Cllr Moses Crook regarding the best way forward including contacting key officers/directors concerning the Holmfirth Blueprint.

Resolved: The committee resolved to carry this item forward to the meeting on 15 July 2024

2425 58 Committee Budget 2024-25

- The Planning Committee has one budget line under its remit. This is 4505 Neighbourhood Plan. At the start of the Council year, the budget contains £1,500. No expenditure has come from this budget line.

In earmarked reserves, the Committee oversees one fund:

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- £12,052 in the EMR 343 Road Safety.
- Of this, up to £10,000 has been committed to the purchase of 2 SIDs which have not yet been invoiced for.

The Chair referred to the NDP action plan progress compiled in 2022.

Noted: The committee noted the contents of budget line 4505 Neighbourhood Plan and EMR.

Action: Cllr Blacka will go through the 2022 NDP action list and update with progress to date.

Action: An action for the Assistant Clerk is to include an item on the NDP action plan on the next Planning Committee meeting agenda.

2425 59 Publicising the work of Holme Valley Parish Council

The Assistant Clerk updated on planned activity.

Noted: A period of pre-election sensitivity remains in place until 4 July 2024.

2425 60 Notice of Order under Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, Section 53

A notice of an Order under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, Section 53 has been received from the Department for Transport.

Title of order: (Holmfirth 60 – Wolfstones Road to Brown Hill, Netherthong) Definitive Map Modification Order 2021).

Consideration of the Order will take the form of a public local enquiry. The Inquiry will be held at Brian Jackson House, 2 New North Parade, Huddersfield, HD1 5JP on 5 November 2024 at 10:00am.

Holme Valley Parish Council considered the order at a meeting of the Planning Standing Committee 26 July 2021 and noted the contents. No further action was taken.

Noted: The notice of Order under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, Section 53 and notification of public local enquiry.

Close 8.14

Please note that timings on the agenda are given for guidance of the Chair and Committee only and should not be taken as the time at which discussion of a particular item will commence.



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