

PURSUANT TO NOTICE A MEETING OF ACKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD ON MONDAY 8 MARCH 2010 AT 7.15 PM, IN THE PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY CENTRE, BELL LANE, ACKWORTH.

Present: Cllr A Garbutt, in the Chair

Cllrs: S Balfour, R Barnsley, J Evans, Mrs P Garbutt, Mrs S Hollyhead,
D Johnson, D Lloyd, W Storey and K Wilson

Mr D Vaux – local resident

Mr T Cutler, Ms T Snowden Wakefield Youth Service

Ms E Greenaway, Ms D Blower, Mr J Tillyer and Mr D Cooper –
Representatives of the Ackworth Youth Club.

Ms A Myatt – Conservative Candidate for the forthcoming
general election

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Ms Myatt said that she had come to introduce herself to the Parish Council.
Mr Vaux thanked Wakefield MDC and the Parish Council for the litter picking
on Station Road and Lee Lane.

Mr Cutler explained that the Youth Club had submitted a grant application for
a Multi Use Games Area to be sited near to the Youth Shelter on Dando Way.
He had sent two letters in to the Council one asking for the Parish Council for
their support in their bid to obtain the MUGA and one for help with the Youth
Clubs leaking roof.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their comments; he said that the Youth
Club items would be discussed on agenda items 8 and 10.

1. To receive apologies for absence

C 1.1 Apologies were accepted from Cllrs R Hirst and S Tonkinson recorded
in the attendance book.

2. To receive declarations of interest

C2.1 No interests were declared.

**3. To Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8
February 2010**

C3.1 Cllr W Storey proposed and Cllr Mrs Garbutt seconded that they be
accepted as a true record. All Councillors agreed. The Chairman duly signed
them.

**4. To receive the Clerks report on matters arising from the Minutes of 8
February 2010**

- Village Green – original documents have been taken in to the solicitors.

- Flag Flying Protocol - Letter received from the British Legion who are in agreement that the union jack could be flown continuously with the exception of St Georges day, Yorkshire Day and Royal Air Force Day, when the appropriate flags should be flown. It was agreed to purchase a Yorkshire Flag and Royal Air Force Flag.
- Telephone Box – two companies have been located who would carry out a full restoration; we are currently waiting for further information from them.
- It was noted that the outline planning application for development of the Onward Transport site had been approved.

5. To receive and approve accounts income, expenditure and bank reconciliation to end February 2010

C5.1 A list of accounts to the end of February had previously been circulated to all Councillors. The total amount of expenditure for February was £14,970.16 it was proposed by Cllr Balfour and seconded by Cllr Mrs Garbutt that the accounts be approved. All Councillors agreed and the Chairman duly signed them.

Mrs P Lockett arrived and apologised for missing the public section of the meeting. The Chairman asked Mrs Lockett to give a brief update on the situation with the Catholic Church – there had been two public meetings at the Boot and Shoe. Many people in the village want the building retained for community use. It appears that it will be the end of April before the Church makes a decision to the disposal of it but she asked the Parish Council to make keeping it for the village a priority.

The Chairman thanked her for her report.

6. To receive and approve a list of payments to be made and Petty Cash Account to 8 March 2010

C6.1 The Clerk had circulated a list of payments to be made and petty cash account at this evenings meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Balfour and seconded by Cllr Mrs Hollyhead that they are approved. All Councillors agreed and the Chairman duly signed them.

7. To formally approve the review of Risk Assessments

C7.1 The Clerk reported that a new health and safety policy document had been written. It was agreed to circulate the document to all Councillors. The Risk Assessments had been looked at and updated. The Clerk further reported that she was meeting with the Health & Safety Officer from Wakefield MDC to discuss the document and risk assessments.

8. To receive a letter requesting financial assistance with repairs to the Youth Club roof.

C8.1 A brief discussion took place about the problems with the roof. It was proposed by Cllr A Garbutt and seconded by Cllr Mrs Hollyhead that the Parish Council have it repaired and invite contractors to quote for the cost of replacing the roof. All quotes to be received and discussed at the April Parish Council meeting. Councillors unanimously agreed.

9. To review the charges for the Parish Rooms and Brackenhill Centre

C9.1 Cllr Balfour proposed and Cllr Mrs Hollyhead seconded that the rent be increased by 30p per hour for the community rate with an equivalent increase for the commercial rates. All Councillors agreed.

10. To receive the minutes of the Playing Field and Changing Rooms Committee held on 22 February 2010 including recommendations towards a grant for the Multi Use Games Area. To also receive a letter on behalf of the Young People in the village who are applying for funding of the MUGA

C10.1 It was proposed by Cllr Barnsley and seconded by Cllr Mrs Garbutt that the minutes are approved and accept the minutes including a letter of support and grant towards the MUGA. All Councillors agreed.

Members of the public left the meeting.

11. To receive the minutes of the Cemetery Committee held on 22 February 2010 and to approve the increase for the Cemetery fees in line with Wakefield MDC

11.1 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Garbutt and seconded by Cllr Johnson to approve and accept the minutes. All Councillors agreed.

12. To receive the minutes of the Village Events Committee held on 25 January 2010 and 22 February 2010

12.1 It was proposed by Cllr Storey and seconded by Cllr Balfour that both sets of minutes are approved and accepted. All Councillors agreed.

13. To receive the minutes of the Road Safety Working Group held on 2 March 2010

13.1 Cllr Balfour gave a brief report on the signage for Lee Lane and Long Lane and the assessment for traffic calming on Station Road, she has asked for a full report from Wakefield MDC Highways on both items. With regard to the A628 HGV ban the police have been stopping the drivers but there are still quite a number travelling on this route.

Cllr Wilson proposed and Cllr Mrs Garbutt seconded that the minutes are approved and accepted.

14. To receive and comment on Planning Applications received by Wakefield MDC:

- **10/00223/Ful – MOT Testing Station – part 2 storey, part single storey, Ray Winfield Ind Est. Cllr Wilson proposed and Cllr Lloyd seconded that the Parish Council object on highways and environmental issues. Councillors voted unanimously in support of this proposal.**
- **10/00213/RPP – Residential Development (outline) application to extend time limit of 07/00526/OUT**
- **10/00101/Ful – 4 Francis Terrace – conservatory to rear**
- **10/00383/TCA Ackworth School – T0030 Cherry tree to remove lower limbs, T0029 Pear to evenly crown by 10% drawback from telephone lines by 1.5 m maximum, T0028 Beech to evenly crown thin 10% maximum and to drawback from telephone lines by 1.5 maximum**
- **10/00344/Ful 24 Hollybank – 2 storey extension to rear**
- **10/00255/Ful 1 Pasture View detached single garage to side/rear**

The above applications were noted unless otherwise stated.

15. To receive additional correspondence:

- National Coal Mining Museum – Making Sense of Mining Consultation Event – Cllr Wilson to attend the afternoon session.

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