

PURSUANT TO NOTICE THE ANNUAL MEETING OF ACKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD ON MONDAY 10 MAY 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, R Hirst, Mrs S Hollyhead, D Johnson, W Storey, S Tonkinson and K Wilson

1. To elect a Chairman of the Council for the year 2010/11

C1.1 Cllr Garbutt invited nominations for the position of Chairman.

Cllr Hirst nominated Cllr A Garbutt, Cllr Mrs Hollyhead seconded.

There were no other nominations. Voting took place 9 Councillors voted in favour and 1 Councillor abstained. Cllr A Garbutt was therefore elected as Chairman for the forthcoming year.

2. Chairman to sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office Form

C2.1 The declaration form was duly signed by Cllr Garbutt.

3. To elect a Vice Chairman of the Council for the year 2010/11

C3.1 The Chairman invited nominations.

Cllr Hirst nominated Cllr Storey, Cllr Balfour seconded.

There were no further nominations. Voting took place 8 Councillors voted in favour and 2 Councillors abstained. Cllr Storey was therefore elected as Vice Chairman for the forthcoming year.

4. To receive apologies for absence

C 4.1 Apologies were accepted from Cllr D Lloyd as recorded in the attendance book.

5. To receive declarations of interest

C5.1 No interests were declared. The Chairman reminded Councillors that it is important that they declare any interests they may have if any arise during the meeting.

6. To elect representatives to outside bodies/committees:

- Ackworth Heritage Group –*Sue Hollyhead and a vacancy*
- Hemsworth Road Safety Committee – *John Evans*
- Wakefield & District Town and Parish Council Liaison Group – *Chairman and Vice Chairman*
- Yorkshire Local Councils Association – Wakefield Branch – *Chairman and Clerk*

It was proposed by Cllr Garbutt and seconded by Cllr Hirst that all current representatives remain in post. All Councillors agreed.

7. To elect representatives to Parish Council Committees

- Cemetery Committee
- Playing Fields and Changing Rooms Committee
- Staff and Finance Committee
- Village Events Committee

It was proposed by Cllr Garbutt and seconded by Cllr Mrs Garbutt that all current representatives remain in post and Cllr Hirst be added to all the committees. All Councillors agreed.

See full list as appendix 1.

8. To elect representatives to Parish Council Working Groups

- Allotments
- Parish Council Newsletter
- Road Safety

It was proposed by Cllr Garbutt and seconded by Cllr Mrs Garbutt that all current representatives remain in post and further agreed that any Councillor wishing to attend the meeting can do so. All Councillors agreed.

See full list as appendix 2.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Johnson for his work on the Committees and Working Groups.

9. To Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 April 2010

C9.1 Cllr Hirst proposed and Cllr Wilson seconded that they be accepted as a true record. All Councillors agreed. The Chairman duly signed them.

10. To receive the Clerks report on matters arising from the Minutes of 12 April 2010

- Village Green – still waiting completion date from Solicitor.
- Flags – order to be placed tomorrow.
- Telephone Box – the company contacted have confirmed they are able to carry out the work. Logistics of moving it to be decided on. *The Chairman asked the Clerk to speak to Wakefield MDC Highways re authority to work on highway.*
- Catholic Church – no further information.
- The first Queens Diamond Jubilee Working Group meeting has been arranged for next Tuesday 11 May at 11 am

11. To discuss any issues arising from the Annual Parish Meeting held on 12 April 2010

11.1 There were no issues to discuss. The Chairman's report has been included in the spring issue of the newsletter.

12. To receive and approve accounts income, expenditure and bank reconciliation to end April 2010

C12.1 A list of accounts to the end of April had previously been circulated to all Councillors. The total amount of expenditure for April was £13,665.04 it was proposed by Cllr Hirst and seconded by Cllr Mrs Garbutt that the accounts be approved. All Councillors agreed and the Chairman duly signed them.

13. To receive and approve a list of payments to be made and Petty Cash Account to 10 May 2010

C13.1 The Clerk had circulated a list of payments to be made and petty cash account at this evening's meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Garbutt and seconded by Cllr Wilson that they are approved. All Councillors agreed and the Chairman duly signed them.

14. To discuss and approve the Chairman's Allowance for the forthcoming year

C14.1 The Chairman left the room whilst this item was discussed. Cllr Storey took the Chair.

Cllr Evans proposed that the allowance remains the same.

Cllr Balfour proposed and Cllr Hirst seconded that the allowance is increased to £1,000.

As Cllr Evans proposal did not have a seconder this proposal falls.

Voting took place on Cllr Balfour's proposal. 8 Councillors voted in favour and 2 Councillors abstained. It was therefore RESOLVED that the Chairman's allowance for the forthcoming year is £1,000.

15. To approve dates of the Parish Council meetings and Committee Meetings to May 2011

C15.1 the list previously circulated was approved by all Councillors, See appendix 3.

16. To receive the minutes of the Playing Field and Changing Rooms Committee held on 26 April 2010

C16.1 It was proposed by Cllr Hirst that the minutes of the Playing Field and Changing Rooms are approved. All Councillors agreed

It was further agreed that the Clerk would arrange for an officer from Wakefield MDC to attend a site meeting to discuss the problem with flooding on Carr Bridge field.

It was further agreed that two items for discussion at the next meeting would be the provision of fencing to prevent balls going on to the A638 and to discuss the provision of football posts during the summer.

17. To agree the cost to submit plans for new changing facilities on Carr Bridge field.

17.1 Cllr Hirst proposed that the cost of £670 for the submission of plans is approved. All Councillors agreed.

18. To receive the minutes of the Cemetery Committee meeting held on 26 April 2010

C18.1 It was proposed by Cllr Hirst and seconded by Cllr Mrs Garbutt that the minutes of the Cemetery Committee are approved. All Councillors agreed.

19. To receive the Burial Rights

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| C19.1 - C15 Keziah Beatrice Flowers | V20 Violetta Marlene Rhodes |
| C80 Margaret Mary Jubb | P42 Richard James Priestley |
| P41 Baby Faith Elizabeth Longfield | C13 Edward Stephen Williams |
| P40 Samuel Bedford | Q13 Diane Jones |
| P39 Baby Lily Pendleton | C Row B 20 Ronald Leslie Beck |

20. To receive the minutes of the Village Events Committee held on 26 April 2010

C20.1 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Garbutt and seconded by Cllr Hirst that the minutes of the Village Events Committee are approved. All Councillors agreed.

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

- 10/00651/FUL - Hillside, Barnsley Road – redevelopment of petrol filling station including erection of new shop building, canopy, ATM, pumps, car wash, jet wash bays, replacement of underground tanks, formation of car park, associated development (resubmission of planning application no. 09/01520/FUL
- 10/00658/AGR Off Long Lane, erection of agricultural building
- 10/00827/TPO 24 Denton Gardens – G1 pruning of holly tree

C21.1 The Clerk gave an update to application number 10/00434/FUL following comments sent to Wakefield MDC last month.

Cllr A Garbutt and Cllr Mrs P Garbutt declared an interest and left the room.

An e-mail had been received from the Planning Officer – Councillors agreed that provided Highways comments formed part of the decision then the Parish Council had no further comments.

Cllr A Garbutt and Cllr Mrs P Garbutt came back into the meeting.

C21.2 Cllr Garbutt asked that a further additional item application no. 09/02411/FUL be discussed at this meeting as the former District Councillor had brought it to his attention. All Councillors agreed this.

Proposed change of use from agriculture to waste transfer station for importation, storage, processing and recycling of inert wastes and road planings export of recycled materials and construction of two landscaped bunds, settlement lagoon and materials storage bays at Moorhouse Farm, Doncaster Road, Badsworth, WF9 1AY

A short discussion was held it was agreed that the Parish Council would submit an objection to this application on the grounds of highways and the environment.

22. To receive additional correspondence

- Thank you received from 1st Ackworth Brownies and 1st Ackworth Rainbows for the grant
- NCM Memories of the Coal Queens – Sunday 16 May 2010 1pm – 4 pm
- Wakefield MDC Mayor's 'Bling Ball' it was noted that this has now been cancelled.
- Letter from J W Plant & Co Ltd a company manufacturing flags re the 'Official Day' 'to Support our Armed Forces' – it was agreed to purchase a flag at a cost of £13.50.