

PURSUANT TO NOTICE A MEETING OF ACKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD ON MONDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2009 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

District Councillor R Molloy

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. To receive apologies for absence

C 1.1 Apologies were accepted from Cllrs R Hirst, S Tonkinson and K Wilson for reasons recorded in the attendance book.

2. To receive declarations of interest

C2.1 Declarations of interest were received from Cllrs R Barnsley for the Allotments and D Johnson for item 9.

3. To Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 October 2009

C3.1 Cllr W Storey proposed and Cllr Mrs S Hollyhead 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 12 October 2009

- Village Green – an update from the Solicitor had been requested.
- Telephone Box – the competition entry had been submitted. Enquiries were still being made as to the cost of moving the box to the rear of the Parish Rooms.
- Low Ackworth car park – the work on the white lining had still not been carried out.
- Valuation of Council buildings – in process of obtaining quotes
- Steve Wells Associates Ltd – no further information received
- Thank you letter from Mencap for grant received.
- Confirmation received re the Entry in the Register from the Information Commissioner's Office re Data Protection Act 1998

5. To receive and approve accounts income, expenditure and bank reconciliation to end October 2009

C5.1 A list of accounts to the end of October had previously been circulated to all Councillors. The total amount of expenditure for October was £22,351.03.

It was proposed by Cllr A Garbutt and seconded by Cllr Barnsley that the accounts be approved. All Councillors agreed and the Chairman duly signed them.

6. To receive and approve a list of payments to be made and Petty Cash Account to 9 November 2009

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 A Garbutt and seconded by Cllr W Storey that they are approved. All Councillors agreed and the Chairman duly signed them.

7. To receive an application for grant funding from 1st Ackworth Brownies

C7.1 It was proposed by Cllr Barnsley and seconded by Cllr Storey that a grant of £300 be given under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972. All Councillors agreed.

8. To receive an application for grant funding from 1st Ackworth Rainbows

C8.1 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Hollyhead and seconded by Cllr Evans that a grant of £300 be given under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972. All Councillors agreed.

9. To receive an application for grant funding from 'Tongue in Cheek' Theatre Company

Cllr Johnson declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion.

C9.1 It was proposed by Cllr A Garbutt and seconded by Cllr Mrs Hollyhead that in principal a grant of £400 be given under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972. All Councillors agreed. It was further agreed that the group must provide a constitution, show proof of a bank account and proof that there is enough money for the production to go ahead before the cheque is released. Cllr Johnson didn't vote.

10. To appoint a representative on Low Ackworth Community Centre Committee

C10.1 Cllr A Garbutt proposed and Cllr Storey seconded Cllr S Balfour and Cllr K Wilson to this position. All Councillors agreed.

11. To further discuss a request from West Yorkshire Police to fund the cost of closing and opening Bell Lane Car Park on Friday and Saturday evenings

C11.1 No further information had been received. It was proposed by Cllr Lloyd that no further action is taken on this issue and if local residents had problems with any issues in the car park that they contact the police.

12. To receive the minutes of the Allotment Working Group held on 3 November 2009 and the recommendations re access for gardens 3a, 3b, 4a, 4b following a neighbour dispute.

Cllr Barnsley declared an interest in this item and took no further part in the discussion.

C12.2 Cllr A Garbutt proposed and Cllr Storey seconded that the recommendations are approved. All Councillors voted in favour. Cllr Barnsley didn't vote.

13. To receive the minutes of the Playing Field and Changing Rooms Committee held on 2 November 2009

C13.1 The minutes were received and noted.

14. To receive minutes of the Cemetery Committee held on 2 November 2009

C14.1 The minutes were received and noted.

15. To receive the minutes of the Road Safety Working Group held on 20 October 2009

C15.1 Cllr Balfour gave a brief update on several items. The minutes were then received and noted.

16. To receive the minutes of the Village Events Committee held on 2 November 2009

C16.1 The minutes were received and noted.

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

The following applications were noted unless otherwise stated:

- **09/01949/TCA Ackworth School – notice of intention to fell 1 no. Maple**
- **09/01987/TPO 9 Beechdale – T1 Copper beech crown thin, T5 Sycamore felling**
- **09/01986/TCA Birchwood House, Purston Lane – notice of intention T1 Sycamore crown clean, T2 Sycamore, crown clean, T3 Ash crown clean, T4 Ash crown clean/raise**

- **09/01942/OUT Wakefield Road (land at) residential development – 5 dwellings** – It was agreed by all Councillors that an objection would be submitted to Wakefield MDC on highways grounds.
- **09/02019/FUL 58 Mill Lane, conservatory to rear**

18. To receive additional correspondence:

The following correspondence was noted.

- **VOX AGM 12 November 2009**
- **Wakefield MDC Mayor's Charity Ball & Charity Concert 27 November 2009**
- **Rural Action Yorkshire – AGM**

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