

**Approved Minutes of the
Allerthorpe Parish Meeting 2016 (152)
Held on Monday 25th July 2016 in The Village Hall**

Apologies:

Mr Trevor Howard-Smith Councillor & Clerk

Present:

Mr. Ken MacLeod Chairman
Mr. Mark Stageman Vice Chairman
Mr Ian Douglas Councillor
Mr Andrew Peters Councillor
Mrs Jane Smith Councillor
Mrs Leigh Mills Candidate for Clerk

152.1 Introduction

The Chairman welcomed all and started the meeting at 20:00.

a) Pre-meeting submissions by any parishioners in attendance: None

152.2 Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests, including any dispensation of pecuniary interest: None

152.3 Confirmation of Minutes & notes of previous meetings:

Minutes of the (151) PC Meeting held on 23rd May 2016 proposed by Cllr. Douglas and seconded by Cllr. Peters were adopted by all.

152.4 General Information/correspondence:

Delays are expected in information/correspondence circulation until the Parish Clerk returns in August 2016.

152.5 Finance:

a) Current Financial Position:

- 1) Financial Statement 01/06-31/7/2016 was presented
Expenses were mostly related to HM90 celebrations
- 2) Community Current Account Balance £9,420.96
- 3) Budget – already circulated, on target.
- 4) Asset Register – No change since the last meeting

b) Confirm Payments Agreed:

- 1) See Financial Statement June-July 2016

c) Confirm Receipts:

- 1) 06/06/2016 Duty/VAT Repayment £172.71
- 2) 11/06/2016 Beer sales & HM90 Celebrations £ 54.00

d) Other Financial Items:

- 1) Two sets of blinds have arrived waiting for a helping hand to put them up behind the big windows at the Village Hall in time for events to be held on 10/08/2016.

152.6 Planning

a. Applications since last meeting:

- 1) 13/05/16 1601437/PLF Continued use as general purpose equestrian facility and use of part of one building for equine rug cleaning business at Thornton House Farm Sutton Lane Barmby Moor.

- 2) 10/06/16 16/01731/PLF Alterations to and conversion of agricultural building to a dwelling at 6 Warren Farm Cottages Waplington Lane Allerthorpe

b. Decisions since last meeting:

- 1) 01/02/16 16/00285/PLF Erection of first floor extension to rear and alterations at Grove Cottage Main Street Allerthorpe for Mr and Mrs R Fuller.
APPROVED

- 2) 22/04/16 16/01232/PLF Erection of single storey extension to side and porch extension to front of Thornbury House Waplington Lane Allerthorpe. **APPROVED**

c. Other planning matters:

1) Allerthorpe Golf Course – Appeal

The Vice Chairman remarked that he had not been aware of the appeal until the Notice of the Village Meeting received on 23/07/2016. The Chairman acknowledged that due to the urgency (villagers' response expected by 11/08/2016), he had worked over the weekend to gather the following information:

- The developer is believed to be represented by a Queen's Council.
- The case will be heard by a Senior Planning Inspector (SPI) who is equivalent to a judge in court.
- The case will be presented by an officer from ERYC – the same one who has presented (and recommended for approval) the case to the ERYC Councillors in the previous two occasions.
- The hearing is scheduled to take place in March 2017 and is expected to take 3 days.
- Cost of hiring a legal council ranges from £18,000 - £36,000/- and can be more.
- The Parish Council's insurance policy will not cover any legal costs, which might be incurred, in relation to this case.
- Informal checks also suggested that it would be illegal for the Parish Council to use precepts to cover any legal costs in relation to this case.

The Chairman also, on behalf of the Parish Council, circulated a notice for a Village Meeting on Wednesday – 27/07/2016 at 7pm to discuss the response to the developer's appeal against the refusal of planning permission for Allerthorpe Park Golf Course.

Possible options were discussed and summarised below:

- 1) Do nothing
- 2) Submit Article 6 which would allow a representative to speak on behalf of the village. The key advantage of this submission is an extra 4 weeks to prepare the village's objection.
- 3) Raise money from villagers to engage a legal council to argue the case. Cllr Peters suggested to seek contributions from existing caravan site owners too.

Everyone agreed that this would be difficult to achieve. The best is to find someone who is willing to provide his/her service free of charge

- 4) Ask villagers to write to the Senior Planning Inspector, explaining their concerns over the proposed development in a page.
- 5) Invite villagers to form a separate committee to campaign against the proposed caravan park.

The Vice Chairman stressed the importance of proper representation and that of the Parish Council's objectivity in handling this case. The Parish Council will continue to facilitate meetings for the villagers to raise their concerns and discuss appropriate responses. The Parish Council will guide the villagers in an informal meeting to share any useful information and present options.

152.7 Neighbourhood Development Plan

The Vice Chairman shared his draft on the first few chapters of the Neighbourhood Development Plan. He asked if there would be any grant available to:

- (1) Have someone draft the Plan as the definition of boundary could prove to be problematic.
- (2) Engage an independent expert to verify the Plan. A cost of £22,000/- for such an expert has been known to be paid.

He would appreciate support for the following:

- (1) Photographs for the area
- (2) Proof-reading of his draft

He estimated that he would have a first draft ready for the next Parish Council meeting.

152.8 HM The Queen's 90th Birthday Village Celebration:

- Only 11 people (including Parish Councillors) attended the event. It was very disappointing especially for those artists who performed for free.
- 50% of the £500 budget was spent.
- It was agreed that participants have to pre-pay for future events – to discourage last meeting absence.

152.9 Future Meeting Dates:

Council Meeting: 153 20:00 Monday 26 September 2016
 Council Meeting: 154 20:00 Monday 28 November 2016
 Council Meeting: 155 20:00 Monday 30 January 2017
 Council Meeting: 156 20:00 Monday 27 March 2017
 Council AGM 19:45 Monday 22 May 2017
 Council Meeting: 157 20:00 Monday 22 May 2017
 Annual Parish Meeting 20:00 Wednesday 31 May 2017
 Council Meeting: 158 20:00 Monday 31 July 20

152.10 Meeting Close:

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and contribution before closing the meeting at 20:48.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Chairman, Allerthorpe Parish Council