

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARMTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
ARMTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WELFARE PARK, CHURCH STREET,
ARMTHORPE, ON TUESDAY, 5TH JULY 2011

PRESENT:-

Vice-Chairman - Councillor F.J. Tyas (in the Chair)

Councillors A. Brown, A.J. Brown, E. Butler, T. Corden, L.S. Dickman,
P.J. Farrell, P.A. Hanson, V. Jennings, C. J. McGuinness,
S.L. McGuinness and S.A. Pickles.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from and Councillors J.R. Armstrong,
M.J. Doran and V. Doran.

51. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

RESOLVED that the following declarations made at the meeting
be noted:-

Councillor V. Jennings - Minute 54 relating to the allotments.
Councillor C.J. McGuinness - Minute 57 relating to Planning and he
left the meeting during consideration of the same.

52. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on
7th June 2011 (copies of which had previously been circulated
to each Member) be approved as a correct record and signed by
the Chairman.

53. MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council
held on 21st June 2011 (copies of which had previously been
circulated to each Member) be approved as a correct record and
signed by the Chairman.

54. ALLOTMENTS COMPETITION

RESOLVED

- (1) that the results of this year's revised Allotments Competition,
be noted;
- (2) that the allotment tenants be informed of the results of the
competition and notified that in view of the poor response
in future years the competition will revert to its previous
format and be judged independently;

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- (3) that the Minutes record the following first three places in this year's competition:-
- First - Mr. M. Raynor
- Second - Mr. G. Dennison
- Third - Mr. G. Mitchell
- (4) that the invoice from Bentley Fencing Company Limited in the sum of £11,037.60 for the supply and erection of fencing on the perimeter of the allotment site, be paid.

55. BURIALS

RESOLVED it be noted that

- (1) since the last meeting of the Council, there had been 2 interments and 4 interments of cremated remains at the Rands Lane burial ground;
- (2) whilst undertaking his duties at the burial ground a gardener had been injured from the concealed wire of an artificial flower, which had been "planted" in the surface of a grave;
- (3) that the proposed action of the Clerk in giving notice of the Council's intention to remove all unauthorised items from graves at the burial ground be approved, subject to the displayed notice showing the Council's telephone number.

56. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED

- (1) that the following schedule of accounts paid or for payment be approved:-

	£		
Southfield Kids Club	50.00	Grant	507356
Children with Leukaemia	50.00	Grant	507357
Yorkshire Local Councils Associations	105.00	Councillors Training Fees	507358
Commerce Business Systems Ltd.	100.85	Copying charges	507359
Yorkshire Local Councils Associations	35.00	Councillors Training Fee	507365
HMRC	2,346.62	Tax, National Insurance	507366
South Yorkshire Pensions Authority	989.74	Superannuation contributions	507367

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	£		
Employees	6,571.97	Pay	507368- 507378
Yorkshire Local Councils Associations	950.00	Annual subscription	507383
S.E. Youngs	360.00	Internal audit fee	507384
Bentley Fencing Ltd.	11,037.60	Remove existing and supply and erect new fencing - Allotment Site	507385

- (2) that the following schedule of accounts paid or for payment which was approved by the Council's Community Centre and General Purposes Committee on 21st June 2011, be noted:-

	£		
Councillor S.A. Pickles	18.70	Raffle Prizes - Concert 7/5	507353
J. Copeland	240.00	Sports Leader fee - Easter Splash	507354
A Bouncy Castle Man	1,100.00	Inflatable hire fees - May Splash	507360
R. Wattam	60.00	Sports Leader fee - May Splash	507361
Health and Safety Publications	105.00	H & S Service Level Agreement - quarterly charge	507362
M.J. Gladders	180.00	PA Testing	507363
British Gas (Commercial) Ltd.	893.56	Annual service charge	507364
Gas & Hire Ltd.	11.88	Cylinder hire	507379
BT Payment Services Ltd.	145.80	Internet charges	507380
A.G. Barr plc	47.82	Supply soft drinks	507381
T. Disdel	312.50	Aromatherapy sessions	507382

57. PLANNING

RESOLVED

- (1) that details of the 6 applications submitted to Doncaster Borough Council since the last meeting of the Parish Council for planning permission to carry out development in Armthorpe, be noted;
- (2) that in respect of the application for the erection of a 3 bedroom detached bungalow on approximately 0.1 hectare of land at the rear of 28 Cow House Lane (11/01703/FUL), the Borough Council be informed that this application involves building a dwelling over a public sewer;
- (3) that the Borough Council be informed that the Parish Council objects to the following two applications for the reasons shown:-
- (a) in respect of the retrospective application for the installation of an aerial at 32 Cranfield Close (11/01758/FUL):-

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- (i) it is detrimental to the amenity of residential occupiers in that area and the street scene by virtue of its size, height and incongruous visual appearance;
 - (ii) it is also inappropriate in a residential area, as it may interfere with the television reception of adjacent properties;
 - (iii) the applicant has ignored conditions imposed in previous planning permissions of this type and cannot be relied upon to adhere to any that may be imposed if this application is approved;
- (b) in respect of the application for a change of use of the former police station, Mere Lane, to a mini-supermarket (11/0182/FUL):-
- (i) there is no parking provision on the property for customers, staff and delivery vehicles;
 - (ii) the property is situate on the corner of a busy road junction, where the parking of motor vehicles on the adjacent highways is a constant source of danger to pedestrians, particularly young children during school times;
 - (iii) the indiscriminate parking of vehicles in that location is detrimental to the amenity of residential occupiers who for years have had difficulty in parking their vehicles and suffered noise nuisance from vehicle engines and the slamming of car doors;
 - (iv) the location of the proposed development is already an area that has to contend with anti-social behaviour from youths congregating in large numbers and if the change of use was approved the property would be a magnet for more anti-social behaviour and increased nuisance from litter;
- (4) that no objections or comments be submitted to the Borough Council in respect of the remaining 3 applications considered;
- (5) that Councillor C.J. McGuinness be thanked for his undertaking to make enquiries regarding the planning permission granted in respect of Gazeley Park development.

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58. WARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

RESOLVED that Ward Councillors T. Corden and C.J. McGuinness be thanked for reporting and supplying information on the following matters:-

- (1) crime figures for Armthorpe had decreased in the previous month;
- (2) that as a result of the petition submitted to Doncaster Borough Council re the siting of a proposed monument at the junction of Reeves Way and Jenkinson Grove, highways engineers had agreed to change the location, which had met with the approval of local residents;
- (3) the new neighbourhood management had been appointed, which comprised Steve Thomas, Area Manager, Alison Bryan, Area Supervisor and Ashley Evans, Local Partnership Development Officer;
- (4) local wardens were soon to be appointed and Armthorpe's allocation was 2.5 people;
- (5) the Mayor and his Cabinet had determined that the Borough Council should no longer undertake grounds maintenance of CISWO sports grounds but this decision was being called in for consideration by the Scrutiny Committee;
- (6) the closure of the majority of Southern Cross care homes in the country would not affect its home in Beech Road.

59. LAND AT GRANGE FARM

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of correspondence be noted between Mrs. P. Townley and the Clerk, which (amongst other things) clarified that Grange Farm was situate within the Parish of Armthorpe, despite the fact that in Doncaster Borough Council's Local Development Framework (LDF) it was classed as being in Edenthorpe, that is part of the main urban area of Doncaster;
- (2) that representations be made to the Borough Council for this designation in the LDF to be changed, as its current status is incorrect and will impact on demographics, funding, housing allocation, etc. to the detriment of Armthorpe and the Parish Council;

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- (3) that Mrs. Townley be informed that (with the exception of Councillor C.J. McGuinness for the reason he is the Chairman of the Borough Council's Planning Committee) all Parish Councillors present had agreed to attend the public meeting she had organised for 18th July 2011, at Armthorpe Community Centre, to discuss the proposed planning application for residential development at Grange Farm.

60. GRANTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED that the contents of a letter received from Southfield Kids Club, thanking the Council for its donation of £50.00, be noted.

61. YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATIONS

RESOLVED it be noted that the 2011 Joint Annual Meeting of the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations will be held in Upper Poppleton, near York on 23rd July 2011.

62. ARMTHORPE FUN DAY

RESOLVED

- (1) that it be noted (for the reasons reported) the Armthorpe Fun Day to be held on 16th July 2011 was to be co-ordinated by The Children's Centre and not officers from Doncaster Borough Council;
- (2) that the Parish Council's Sports and Recreation Officer be instructed to supervise the sporting activities he has organised and not to involve himself in the overall management of the event;
- (3) that Councillor V. Jennings be thanked for her undertaking to accompany the Sports and Recreation Officer to a meeting regarding this event, which is to be held at the Sure Start Centre on 8th July 2011.

63. DMBC - VARIOUS MATTERS

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of correspondence received from Doncaster Borough Council be noted, confirming the information supplied by Councillor T. Corden (Minute 58 (2)) that the intended highway monument would not now be installed at the junction of Reeves Way and Jenkinson Grove;
- (2) that Councillor C.J. McGuinness be thanked for the information supplied regarding the underlying reasons for the Borough Council's policy of not allowing hanging baskets to be erected on street lighting columns;

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- (3) that the Borough Council be requested to:-
- (a) investigate heavy goods motor vehicles parking all night in (i) the lay-by on Hatfield Lane, which is prohibited and (ii) Yorkshire Way on the wrong side of the road without lights;
 - (b) investigate why landscaping works have not been carried out in accordance with the planning permission for the new shopping development on Church Street;
 - (c) provide litter bins on the new shopping development on Church Street;
 - (d) investigate the operation of a taxi business from Doncaster Road/ Mansfield Crescent where numerous taxis are parked in that location each day;
 - (e) investigate the removal of a wooden planter from outside the shops on Church Street near the Nutwell Lane roundabout, as it does not belong to Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council;
 - (f) take action to improve the area of derelict land on Mill Street near to the Nutwell Lane roundabout (to the rear of Latibeaudiere's Picture Shop), which is detrimental to the amenity of the area;
 - (g) contact the advertisers on the fly-posting on every telegraph pole in the village and ask them to remove the same;
 - (h) replace the litter bin missing from the public open space situate on the corner of Hatfield Lane and Rands Lane;
 - (i) investigate a complaint regarding K. Butler New & Used Cars, 61 Oakwood Drive, testing motor vehicles in that road opposite the firm's gates.

64. MARKHAM MAIN HEATH

RESOLVED that the Coal Authority be requested to implement remedial works to improve the grass seeded area on Markham Main Heath, which is in a very poor condition.

65. SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

RESOLVED that Councillor P.J. Farrell be thanked for the information supplied regarding:-

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- (1) the transfer from Armthorpe to Stainforth of Police Constable Pescador-Smith; and
- (2) the police advising local residents to keep their house doors locked as distraction burglaries are on the increase.

66. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY FORUM

RESOLVED that Councillors A.J. Brown and P.J. Farrell be thanked for their undertaking to represent the Parish Council at the next meeting of the Public Rights of Way Forum, which is to be held on 21st July 2011 at the Carr House Centre, Danum Road, Doncaster.

Signature