

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARMTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
ARMTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WELFARE PARK, CHURCH STREET,
ARMTHORPE, ON TUESDAY, 6TH DECEMBER 2011

PRESENT:- Chairman - Councillor V. Doran
Vice-Chairman - Councillor F.J. Tyas

Councillors A. Brown, A.J. Brown, T. Corden, L.S. Dickman, M.J. Doran,
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 Councillors J.R. Armstrong and
E. Butler.

109. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

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

Councillor C.J. McGuinness - Minute 114 relating to Planning and
he left the meeting during consideration of the same.

110. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on
1st November 2011 (copies of which had previously been circulated
to each Member) be approved as a correct record and signed by
the Chairman.

111. MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Finance
Committee held on 29th November 2011 and the recommendations
contained therein (copies of which had previously been circulated
to each Member) be approved.

112. BURIALS

RESOLVED it be noted that since the last meeting of the Council,
there had been 2 interments and 4 interments of cremated remains
at the Rands Lane burial ground.

113. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED

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

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	£		
Staples	80.96	Ink cartridges	507548
Yorkshire Water	535.62	Water charges - Allotments	507550
Post Office	490.00	Stamps	507557
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal	75.00	Wreath (Chairman's Allowance)	507558
HMRC	2,382.22	Tax, National Insurance	507559
South Yorkshire Pensions Authority	989.74	Superannuation contributions	507560
Employees	6,477.72	Pay	507561-507571
J.F. Monks (Doncaster) Ltd.	66.00	Receipt books	507575
Commerce Business Systems Ltd.	145.24	Copying charges	507579
Doncaster M.B.C.	617.51	Grounds maintenance - 20/6 - 11/9	507585

(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 15th November 2011, be noted:-

	£		
S. Quinn-Hughes	130.00	Refund CC hire charge	507530
Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation	91.56	Supply fluorescent lamps	507533
Cash	87.51	Petty cash - CC	507534
Cash	100.00	Petty cash - S & R	507535
Aircon Refrigeration Ltd.	99.00	Service and parts	507536
Health and Safety Publications	105.00	H & S Service Level Agreement - quarterly charge	507537
A Bouncy Castle Man	400.00	Inflatable hire - Splash 24-27/10	507538
Kidz Party	250.00	Halloween - Children's Entertainer	507539
Councillor L.S. Dickman	47.20	Raffle prizes	507540
A. Hurst	90.00	Sports Leader fee - Splash 24-27/10	507541
A. Lang	120.00	Sports Leader fee - Splash 24-27/10	507542
Fuse Fireworks Ltd.	4,080.00	Fireworks Display	507543
A Bouncy Castle Man	60.00	Inflatable hire - 5/11	507544
T. Disdel	250.00	Aromatherapy sessions x 4	507545
C. Hughes	150.00	Honoraria	507546
R. Brown	150.00	Honoraria	507547
Yorkshire Water	175.36	Water and sewerage charges	507549
A.G. Barr plc	80.86	Soft drinks	507551
S.J. Security	112.80	Repair fire alarm	507552
E.ON	2,223.40	Electricity charges	507553
Gas & Hire Ltd.	11.88	Cylinder hire	507554
Zurich Municipal	146.25	Insurance re marquees, etc.	507555
Doncaster M.B.C.	1,768.00	Infrastructure works re Christmas illuminations	507556

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114. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED

- (1) that details of the 9 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 objections be submitted in respect of the application for change of use of the premises of the former Direct Fireplaces Limited, Tranmoor Lane, from a fireplace sales/warehouse to A1 retail and storage use for the following reasons:-
 - (a) the entrance to the site on a narrow residential road is not suitable for use by heavy goods vehicles and would interfere with the free flow of traffic on Tranmoor Lane, including causing obstructions to traffic on Nutwell Lane;
 - (b) the storage of goods outside of the building would be detrimental to the amenity of adjacent residential properties and the street scene;
- (3) that no objections or comments be submitted to the Borough Council in respect of the remaining eight applications considered;
- (4) that the contents of a letter from the Borough Council be noted, which (a) confirmed that the proposed upgrade to the Planning Applications Online facility had been postponed until early next year and (b) detailed (amongst other things) the dates when charges would be introduced for supplying paper copies of plans.

115. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY CONSULTATIONS

RESOLVED

- (1) that the consultation documents received from Doncaster Borough Council regarding Neighbourhood Planning and Community Infrastructure Levy, be noted;
- (2) that a response be submitted (on the lines indicated) to the consultation on the proposals for new neighbourhood planning regulations and community infrastructure levy.

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116. ELECTION FEES AND CHARGES

RESOLVED

- (1) that the revised fees and charges for the Doncaster Borough Council and Parish Council Elections held on 5th May 2011, which have been calculated on a cost per elector basis in order to ensure a consistent allocation of costs throughout the Borough, be noted;
- (2) it be noted that the grass skirts which had been included in the costs charged, are sheets used to affix ballot papers for counting where there are numerous candidates, as an alternative to the counting sheets used by the Borough Council in past parish elections.

117. 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) it appeared that the specification for the play park to be constructed under the terms of the Section 106 Agreement entered into by Gazeley UK Limited had still not been agreed and that construction works may not now commence for a few more months;
- (2) it also appeared that fencing works started by Gazeley UK Limited to extend the West Moor Business Park had ceased for the time being;
- (3) the planters situated in various locations in the village had not been planted up during the Spring planting season as the Borough Council did not have any funds allocated for this purpose;
- (4) several complaints had been received regarding anti-social behaviour taking place on the play park on the South Moor Estate, which was being monitored by the police and officers from the Borough Council.

118. DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLVED that owing to the intervening Christmas and New Year holiday periods the next meeting of the Council be held on 10th January 2012.

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119. YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATIONS

RESOLVED it be noted that the Joint Executive Board of the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations, had resolved to levy a 3% lift in membership subscription fees for the financial year 2012/2013.

120. GRANTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED

- (1) that the further letter of thanks and update received from Joseph Hodgkinson, who had been given a donation from the Chairman's Allowance in 2004 to attend the Sylvia Young Theatre School in London, be noted;
- (2) that in accordance with its powers under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council should incur the sum of £50.00 to Children with Cancer UK which, in its opinion, is in the interests of the area or part of it or all or some of its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

121. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY FORUM

RESOLVED that Councillor P.J. Farrell be thanked for:-

- (a) supplying information about the current position with regard to Seven Yards Road Footpath Modification Order; and
- (b) reporting the obstruction of the public footpath at Holmewood Lane/Junction 4 of the M18, which had been brought to the Parish Council's attention at its previous meeting.

122. DMBC - VARIOUS MATTERS

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of an email from Doncaster Borough Council, regarding the possibility of Parish Council staff being trained to deal with dog fouling and other minor environment crime, such as littering, be noted;
- (2) that the following replies received from Doncaster Borough Council to complaints made by the Parish Council, be noted:-
 - (a) 67 Reeves Way - the access at the side of the property and the highways on the rest of the estate have never been adopted by the Council, so any issues in this respect are a private matter for residents and the landowner/developer;

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- (b) dog fouling patrols - Area Officers undertake frequent patrols watching for inconsiderate dog owners and also focus on littering, vandalism, fly-tipping and graffiti; dog fouling and littering are a priority, so details of any specific hotspots or other information which could be used to influence the patrols should be reported;
- (c) fence and potholes - the large pothole in Tranmoor Lane has been in-filled and an order has been raised to address the smaller potholes at its junction with Toftstead; the damaged fence adjacent to 68-70 Tranmoor Lane has not been located so further information should be supplied;
- (d) Vets Surgery, Church Street - the question of the practice signage has been referred to the Planning Department for its attention and reply;
- (e) missing street nameplates - the sign on Oak Road was reported to the Highways Department in August 2011 and enquiries are being made about when the replacement sign would be installed; there appears to be no street nameplates missing on Pinewood Avenue;
- (f) The Armthorpe School playing field boundary - management and maintenance is a matter for the school and the Parish Council's concern has been relayed to the school caretaker;
- (g) HGV's using Nutwell Lane in breach of the weight restriction - South Yorkshire Police have been contacted regarding this matter and the Parish Council will be contacted once a response is received;
- (h) HGV parking on footway in Gunhills Lane - Area Officers are undertaking patrols in the area and where appropriate advice/action will be taken against offenders;
- (i) missing fence post on Doncaster Road - a request has been submitted for this to be replaced;
- (j) details of the defective street lighting columns outside 70 Bevre Road, on Cherry Tree Road and outside 27 Oakwood Drive have been passed to Street Lighting for attention;

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- (k) the Highways Department has been requested to replace the stop tap cover missing from outside 71 Southfield Road;
 - (l) Doncaster Road and Hatfield Lane have been inspected and all posters were removed on 28th November;
 - (m) Doncaster Road, Church Street, Hatfield Lane and Nutwell Lane have been inspected and tie straps identified have been removed from street lighting columns;
 - (n) obstruction caused by motor vehicle parking on the corner of Cherry Tree Road and Woodlea Grove has been referred to the Parking Enforcement Section and South Yorkshire Police;
 - (o) the Highways Department has been requested to carry out observations at the pedestrian crossing on Doncaster Road, near to its junction with King Street and the one in Church Street, near to its junction with Rose Grove to determine whether these crossings should be upgraded;
- (3) it be noted that the responses received from the Borough Council at 2 (a) and (b) above did not address the specific information requested by the Parish Council, so further clarification had been sought and replies are awaited;
- (4) that the Borough Council be requested to:-
- (a) take remedial action to repair the bench seat situate outside the Tranmoor Primary School in Tranmoor Lane;
 - (b) investigate a complaint of motor vehicles being sold from the new car wash facility on Mill Street without having the necessary planning permission;
 - (c) investigate the safety of the street lighting column situate in Nutwell Lane near to its junction with Whip Hill Lane, which is leaning at an angle;
 - (d) take action to prevent heavy goods motor vehicles and/or trailers parking the wrong way on the carriageways on the West Moor Business Park during the hours of darkness, which is a source of danger to other motorists;

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- (e) (as a matter of urgency) cause the Belisha beacons to be lit on each side of the pedestrian crossing in Church Street near to its junction with Rose House;
- (f) supply details of the programme of litter picking on Doncaster Road, which (if one exists) appears not to be adhered to;
- (g) replace the street nameplate that is missing from the wall outside number 73 Pinewood Avenue.

123. OPERATION ROGUE TRADER

RESOLVED that Councillor P.J. Farrell be thanked for supplying detailed written information about Operation Rogue Trader, which had been a joint operation undertaken in November by various partner agencies.

Signature