

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY CENTRE
AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF ARMTHORPE PARISH
COUNCIL HELD IN ARMTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE,
WELFARE PARK, CHURCH STREET, ARMTHORPE, ON
TUESDAY, 18TH MARCH 2014

PRESENT: -

Chairman - Councillor P.A. Hanson
Vice-Chairman - Councillor S.L. McGuinness

Councillors J.R. Armstrong, A. Brown, A.J. Brown, T. Corden,
L.S. Dickman, M.J. Doran, V. Doran, P.J. Farrell, C.J. McGuinness and
F.J. Tyas.
Mr. Carl Hughes, Sports and Recreation Officer

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E. Butler,
W.L. Moore and S.A. Pickles.

103. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

Councillor C.J. McGuinness - Minute 104 (3) relating to the Mill
Street Car Wash retrospective planning application when he left
the meeting during the Committee's deliberation of the same.

104. MILL STREET CAR WASH

RESOLVED

- (1) it be noted that Mrs. D. Holgate and Mrs. N. McGrath, Planning Officers from Doncaster Borough Council, attended the meeting to supply information about the application submitted in respect of the Mill Street Car Wash for retrospective planning permission for change of use of land for car sales, including siting of re-locatable buildings (14/00431/FUL);
- (2) that the Committee formally records its thanks to Mrs. Holgate and Mrs. McGrath for their attendance at the meeting;
- (3) that the Parish Council objects to this application for most of the reasons given to the original car wash application, which are repeated in items (A-E) below and have proved to be factual:-
 - (A) the siting of a steel storage container on the land (and now with additional valeting shed) with a two metre high steel palisade fencing erected around the same will detract from the amenity of the area and the adjacent residential and business premises;

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- (B) the proposed development will be detrimental to the amenity of residential properties in that vicinity by virtue of its proximity to such properties, including noise (from both cleaning equipment and motor vehicles visiting the site) and water spray emanating from cleaning equipment;
 - (C) the proposed development will also:-
 - (i) be a danger to road safety as it will generate increased traffic on Mill Street, which is a very busy main road opposite to the junction with Larch Drive; and
 - (ii) interfere with the free flow of traffic on Mill Street;
 - (iii) cause conflict between vehicles accessing/egressing the site and heavy goods vehicles (HGV's) (delivering to and leaving the Tesco Supermarket premises), as these HGV's have to reverse from Mill Street into the access road leading to the proposed development;
 - (iv) the access/egress to the site is too narrow to accommodate vehicles passing in each direction, with the result that right turning vehicles into the site will undoubtedly interrupt the free flow of traffic, whilst waiting for vehicles to emerge from the site;
 - (D) the proposal to deal with surface water run-off is inadequate, as:-
 - (i) water already ponds on that site and increased surface water will eventually run-off to residential properties in Kingsley Crescent (and on to the main C96 Hatfield Lane); and
 - (ii) utilising existing soakaways will add to the problems caused to the water table in Armthorpe, which the planning authority is aware of and been encouraged to ensure that all new developments provide for surface water to discharge into the public sewerage system;
 - (E) there is no provision for recycling water used in the car washing operation in the same way that other permitted car wash facilities have to provide on garage forecourts, etc.
- (4) that the following additional grounds of objection be taken into account:-

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- (A) the site is not large enough to accommodate the display of vehicles for sale and vehicles of prospective customers, together with the vehicles being washed and awaiting washing;
 - (B) when used in conjunction with the car wash, the display and sale of vehicles would be an over-intensive use of the site;
 - (C) the applicant has failed to comply with its extant planning permission and the Borough Council's ability to enforce any conditions in a new permission is severely limited due to a lack of staffing resources;
- (5) that the Borough Council be informed that it should accept that the views of the Parish Council are a material consideration, which should be given due deliberation and respect instead of the scant regard usually given to objections made in good faith by Members, who feel they are in a better position to know what real problems are likely to be encountered in matters of this nature, as opposed to the views of officers who do not live in the village.

105. SPORTS AND RECREATION OFFICER

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of the report of the Sports and Recreation Officer, Mr. Carl Hughes, be noted, which (amongst other things):-
 - (a) updated Members of the Committee about activities undertaken since its last meeting;
 - (b) detailed the proposed April - August 2014 Community Programme;
- (2) that the fees for the Easter Splash holiday programme be set at £4.50 per day or £12.00 for the 3 day week, except that there will be no charge for children wishing to participate in the event who are registered with and attend the Children's Centre;
- (3) that in respect of the proposed arts and crafts social club to be held at Armthorpe Community Centre, approval be given to:-
 - (a) the purchase of arts and crafts materials;
 - (b) the provision of refreshments and prizes;
- (4) that the remaining unspent funding received from Doncaster Borough Council be utilised to purchase equipment to develop community and holiday projects;

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- (5) that approval be given to the proposed activities in the April - August 2014 Community Programme;
- (6) that approval be granted to the Sports and Recreation Officer attending a one day refresher Sports Leaders Tutor Training course.

106. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 18th February 2014 (copies of which had previously been circulated to each Member) be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

107. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED that the following schedule of accounts paid or for payment be approved:-

		£		
Alzheimer's Society	250.00	Grant - Memory Tree	508609	
British Gas	2,589.38	Gas charges	508627	
G.P. Services (UK) Ltd.	161.76	Supply toilet rolls	508628	
M. Hall	60.00	Refund of deposit re 2.2.14	508630	
Gas & Hire Ltd.	9.90	Cylinder hire	508636	
AEL	164.40	Street light repairs	508638	
AEL	1,726.80	Electrical works - replacing lights	508639	
Health & Safety Publications	105.00	H & S Service Level Agreement - quarterly charge	508640	
O. Garner	185.00	Tea Dances etc. fees	508641	
Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation	44.99	V sweeper & synthetic sleeve	508642	
AEL	72.00	Intruder alarm bell box	508644	
Cash	100.00	Petty cash - S & R	508645	

108. CHARITY CONCERT

RESOLVED that in respect of Armthorpe Elmfield Band's Charity Concert to be held on 29th March 2014 in aid of the senior citizens seaside trip, Councillors J.R. Armstrong, A. Brown, A.J. Brown and P.J. Farrell be thanked for their undertaking to attend the event to receive admission tickets/monies at the door and sell raffle tickets.

109. ST. GEORGE'S DAY CONCERT

RESOLVED that in respect of the St. George's Day Concert to be held on 23rd April 2014:-

- (1) it be noted that:-
 - (a) the Armthorpe Elmfield Band will provide entertainment from 7.30 pm - 8.15 pm and from 8.30 pm until 9 pm;

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- (b) Mrs. O. Garner will arrange dancing from 9 pm onwards and be paid a fee of £40.00;
- (2) arrangements be made for Mr. D. Cooke to display flags outside business premises in the village one week before St. George's Day and taken down one week after the celebration day;
- (3) that Councillors A. Brown, T. Corden, P.A. Hanson and S.L. McGuinness be thanked for their undertaking to attend the Community Centre to decorate the main hall of the Community Centre on the date and time requested by Mr. J. Hardy;
- (4) that Mr. J. Hardy be requested to advise on the type of tables that should be used at the event in order to secure maximum space for dancing;
- (5) the updated Function Check List be included on the Agenda for the next meeting of the Committee.

110. YORKSHIRE DAY SWING DANCE

RESOLVED it be noted that Mrs. Olive Garner was unable to provide her services on 1st August 2014 and that further consideration regarding the arrangements for this event be deferred until the next meeting of the Committee.

111. FIREWORKS DISPLAY

RESOLVED

- (1) that the quotation received from Fuse Fireworks Limited to provide 18 minute firework displays each year for three years commencing 4th November 2014 for the sum of £3,400 p.a. plus VAT, be accepted;
- (2) that the Council accepts responsibility for any payments due to the Performing Rights Society and Phonographic Performance Limited for these events;
- (3) that Mr. N. Woods be allowed to provide catering at this year's event upon payment of a licence fee in the sum of £50.

112. CRIME AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of an email be noted from the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations, regarding how local councils, the police and the Commissioner might work more closely together to address crime and improve community safety;

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- (2) that no action be taken on the request to appoint a Member of the Council to lead on crime and community issues in this regard.

113. COMMUNITY CENTRE NOISE LIMITER

RESOLVED that Mr. J. Hardy be requested to check the noise limiter installed in the main hall to ensure that it is working correctly.

114. APPOINTMENT OF JOINT BAR MANAGER

RESOLVED

- (1) that with effect from 1st May 2014, Mrs. D. Sawbridge be appointed to the vacant post of Joint Bar Manager at the Community Centre on a 3 months trial and if her work is satisfactory for a further trial period of 3 months;
- (2) it be a condition of her employment in this post that Mrs. Sawbridge will not carry out her regular two hour cleaning duties after each evening function;
- (3) the appointment to this post be paid on Salary Grade 3 (SCP 14 -17 pro rata) SCP 14, namely, £2,790.08 per annum.

115. MINERS' COMMEMORATION SERVICE

RESOLVED

- (1) it be noted that the Annual Markham Main Commemoration Service will be held on 7th September 2014 at 12 noon at the Miners' Memorial Garden, to remember those miners who lost their lives while working at Markham Main Colliery;
- (2) that the Parish Council agrees to give whatever support is necessary to the organisers of this event, including ensuring the Community Centre is available for those attending the Service.

116. PHOTOCOPIER

RESOLVED that an order be placed with Ricoh UK Limited for a Ricoh MPC 2503SP photocopier, with internal staple finisher and 2 x 500 trays, for a term of 3 years at a quarterly rental payment of £161.81, plus payment of printing costs at the rate of £0.0051p per black and white copy and £0.0403p per colour copy.

Signature