MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARMTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN ARMTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WELFARE PARK, CHURCH STREET, ARMTHORPE, ON TUESDAY, 1ST MARCH 2011

PRESENT:- Chairman - Councillor S.A. Pickles Vice-Chairman - Councillor J.R. Armstrong

Councillors L.S. Dickman, P.J. Farrell, I.P. Hutchinson, V. Jennings, J.R. Lowndes, W.L. Moore and P. Moscardini.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A. Brown, A.J. Brown, M. Davison, T.D. O'Connor and M. Pinkney.

169. <u>DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS</u>

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

Councillor V. Jennings - Minute 172 relating to the allotments. Councillor S.A. Pickles - Minute 175 relating to the planning application in respect of The Armthorpe School.

170. LAND AT WESTFIELD FARM

RESOLVED that the Council formally records its thanks to Mr. lain Griffin, MRCIS, Associate Director of MLA and Mr. P. Lodge of Westfield Farm, for their presentation on the proposed redevelopment of approximately 150 acres of land at Westfield Farm, Nutwell Lane, Armthorpe.

171. MINUTES

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

172. ALLOTMENTS

RESOLVED

- (1) that the Council formally records its thanks to Mr. G. Dennison for supplying the Council with photographs showing the damage caused to allotment storage sheds and tenants' property, arising from the recent break-in at the Mercel Avenue allotment site;
- (2) it be noted that Lazarus Properties Limited, the freehold owner of the Mercel Avenue allotment site, had indicated its willingness to grant consent for the Council to erect a galvanised steel palisade fence to replace the existing chain link fence on the boundary of the land; and

(3) that the Council pays the company's legal costs in the sum of £150 (including VAT) incurred in granting its consent in this matter.

173. BURIALS

RESOLVED

- (1) it be noted that since the last meeting of the Council, there had been one interment at the Rands Lane burial ground;
- (2) that with effect from 1st April 2011 fees for burials in the Rands Lane Burial Ground be increased to the amounts shown in the attached schedule of fees.

174. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED

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

	£		
Doncaster M.B.C.	300.31	Grounds maintenance - 13/9-5/12	507217
Society of Local Council Clerks	190.00	Annual subscription	507218
Staples	54.34	Ink cartridges, folders, etc.	507220
Commerce Business Systems Ltd.		Copying charges	507221
T. Eglen	94.00	Honoraria re broken spectacles	507224
D. Cooke	318.99	Gardening charges	507225
Inland Revenue	2,330.28	Tax, National Insurance	507228
South Yorkshire Pensions Authority	549.34	Superannuation contributions	507229
Employees	6,756.66	Pay	507230- 507240

(2) that the following schedule of accounts for payment which was approved by the Council's Community Centre and General Purposes Committee on 15th February 2011, be noted:-

	£		
T. Ward	70.00	Supply pool table	507211
Cash	116.73	Petty cash - S & R	507212
M. Gauden	75.00	Breakdancing - Fireworks	507213
		Display etc.	
G.B. Sports & Leisure Ltd.	180.00	Repair dance mats	507214
Christmas Plus Ltd.	1,896.84	Outstanding balance re	507216
		dismantling Christmas motifs	

Cash	100.00	Petty cash - CC	507219
Armthorpe Elmfield Band	1,050.00	Entertainment fees - 2010/11	507222
Armthorpe Elmfield Band	1,000.00	Grant re Herten Band visit	507223

175. PLANNING

RESOLVED

- (1) that details of the 11 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 and no objections be made in respect of the same;
- (2) that in respect of the application for the erection of a detached double garage with studio above at the rear of the terraced house 125 Beech Road, the Borough Council be requested to impose conditions prohibiting the use of:-
 - (a) the garage for repair of motor vehicles not owned by the householder; and
 - (b) the studio for residential purposes;
- (3) that in respect of future applications for planning permission notified to the Parish Council, the Clerk should obtain further details and plans in relation to the following classes of development:-
 - (i) Trees
 - (ii) Outline and reserved matters applications for residential development
 - (iii) Employment and commercial sites
 - (iv) Changes of use
 - (vi) Quarrying
 - (vii) Any other types of development that the Clerk considers further information should be made available to the Parish Council.

176. WARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

RESOLVED

- that apologies for absence at the meeting of Ward CouncillorC.J. McGuinness, be noted;
- (2) that Ward Councillor P.J. Farrell be thanked for reporting on the following matters:-

- (a) Doncaster Borough Council had approved its budget for the next financial year 2011/12, which included the proposal to abolish double taxation grants to parish and town councils;
- (b) local libraries earmarked for closure (which did not include the Armthorpe Library) had been given one year's extension to enable the Borough Council to consider alternative financial savings;
- (b) the Borough Council's Neighbourhood Manager system of area administration was to be replaced by a system of five Locality Managers.

177. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

RESOLVED that the Annual Parish Meeting be held at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 5th April 2011 and preceded by the next meeting of the Parish Council which shall commence at 6.30 p.m. on that date.

178. NHS BASSETLAW AND DONCASTER CLINICAL SERVICES REVIEW

RESOLVED that the invitation and accompanying summary (copies of which had previously been circulated to each Member) for the pre-consultation engagement meeting to be held on 8th March 2011 in relation to the Bassetlaw and Doncaster Clinical Services Review, be noted.

179. HERITAGE INSPIRED

RESOLVED that the contents of correspondence received from Heritage Inspired (copies of which had previously been circulated to each Member) updating the Council (amongst other things) of the work of their project, be noted.

180. SOUTH YORKSHIRE PASSENGER TRANSPORT EXECUTIVE

RESOLVED that the contents of a letter received from the South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive, regarding its launch of a refreshed version of the Travel South Yorkshire website, be noted.

181. DMBC - VARIOUS MATTERS

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of a letter be noted from Doncaster Borough Council, confirming that the appropriate teams had been instructed to investigate the issues raised by the Parish Council and to take action as necessary;
- (2) that Doncaster Borough Council be requested to:-

- (a) investigate an alleged breach of planning control on the site of the Gertrude Bell Hall, which is being used for the sale of second hand motor vehicles;
- supply details of the purposes and results of the various traffic surveys undertaken in the village recently;
- (c) take action to have the owners of the derelict land in Mill Street clear and tidy it, as it is detrimental to the amenity of the area;
- (d) explain why only some potholes in Nutwell Lane had been repaired and not others, which were equally as bad as those filled in;
- (e) confirm whether potholes are repaired by some private contractors and if so, whether they are checked for quality purposes, as recent work in this respect leaves a lot to be desired;
- (f) confirm (that when e-consultation on planning applications are fully implemented) public consultations will continue via local public libraries;
- (g) arrange for Neighbourhood Wardens to pay attention to the open space at Mercel Avenue during lunch times in order to deter youths from nearby business premises depositing litter.

182. BRIAR ROAD PLAYING FIELD

RESOLVED that the Vice-Chairman be thanked for his undertaking to obtain a quotation from ECS Construction Limited regarding levelling and seeding the area of land at Briar Road playing field set aside for a new football pitch.

183. LAND OFF MERE LANE, ARMTHORPE

RESOLVED that the local education authority be requested to sell (to the Parish Council) The Armthorpe School's unused playing field, situate off Mere Lane (opposite Oak Road).

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