

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARMTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
ARMTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WELFARE PARK, CHURCH STREET,
ARMTHORPE, ON TUESDAY, 6TH JULY 2010

PRESENT:- Chairman - Councillor S.A. Pickles

Councillors A. Brown, A.J. Brown, L.S. Dickman, I.P. Hutchinson,
V. Jennings, J.R. Lowndes, W.L. Moore, P. Moscardini and
T.D. O'Connor.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from the Vice-Chairman, Councillor
J.R. Armstrong and Councillors M. Davison, P.J. Farrell, D.P. Hill and
M. Pinkney

40. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

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

Councillor V. Jennings - Minute 45 relating to the allotments.

41. DECLARATION OF A GIFT

RESOLVED it be noted that the Chairman reported that he had
received a gift of a cup and saucer (approximate value £20.00) from
the Destiel Spielmanszung Band, Herten, Germany.

42. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on
1st June 2010 (copies of which had previously been circulated
to each Member) be approved as a correct record and signed by
the Chairman.

43. MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council
held on 22nd June 2010 (copies of which had previously been
circulated to each Member) be approved as a correct record and
signed by the Chairman.

44. MINUTES OF FREEMEN COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Freemen
Committee held on 22nd June 2010 (copies of which had previously
been circulated to each Member) be approved as a correct record
and signed by the Chairman.

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45. ALLOTMENTS

RESOLVED

- (1) that the results of this year's Allotments Competition be noted;
- (2) that the allotment tenants be notified of the results of the competition;
- (3) that the following prizewinners of the competition be invited to the next meeting of the Council to receive their prizes:-

First Prize	-	Mr. G. Mitchell - Plot 20 (97 points out of 100)
Second Prize	-	Mrs. V. Jennings - Plot 25 (92 points out of 100)
Third Prize	-	Mr. L. Marsden - Plot 21 (84 points out of 100)

46. BURIALS

RESOLVED it be noted that since the meeting of the Council held on 1st June 2010:-

- (a) there had been 3 interments and 4 interments of cremated remains at the Rands Lane burial ground; and
- (b) part of the boundary fence of the burial ground had been damaged as a result of a fire on adjacent land and the owners of the land had been requested to pay for repair of the fence.

47. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED

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

	£		
Spinal Injuries Association	50.00	Grant	506902
Children with Leukaemia	100.00	Grant	506903
CPRE	50.00	Grant	506904
Armthorpe Internal Drainage Board	3.14	Drainage rates - Burial ground	506905
Shaw & Sons Ltd.	41.75	Burial receipt books	506909
D. Cooke	20.01	Petrol re mower	506913

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	£		
Charles Carpenter Funeral Services	1,457.00	Reimbursement of part burial fees	505914
Commerce Business Systems	66.02	Copying charges	506915
B.A. Cheetham	50.00	Stocktake fee	506919
Staples	119.85	Ink cartridges, etc	506920
Commerce Business Systems	36.48	Copying charges	506921
H.M. Revenue & Customs	44.00	Underpaid tax 2009/10	506925
H.M. Revenue & Customs	2,510.28	Tax, National Insurance	506926
South Yorkshire Pensions Authority	537.53	Superannuation contributions	506927
Employees	6,861.29	Pay	506928- 506929 506931- 506942
J. Hepworth	335.53	Accountancy fees - Annual Accounts	506944
E. Youngs	360.00	Internal audit fee	506945

- (2) that the following schedule of accounts for payment which was approved by the Council's Community Centre and General Purposes Committee on 15th June 2010, be noted:-

	£		
Gas & Hire Ltd.	55.91	Cylinder hire & 70/30 refill	506906
BT Payment Services Ltd.	142.76	Internet charges	506907
C. Hughes	64.73	Reimburse cost of embroidered shirts	506908
Gas & Hire Ltd.	11.63	Cylinder hire - 4/10	506910
G.P. Services (UK) Ltd.	158.39	Supply toilet rolls	506911
Viking Pumps Ltd.	151.28	Repairs to sewage pump	506912
Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation	334.21	Cleaning materials etc.	506916
Hallfield Lane Stores	47.77	Wine - Raffle prizes	506917
Councillor W.L. Moore	63.59	German flags & welcome banner	506918

48. ARMTHORPE MASTER PLAN

RESOLVED

- (1) that the draft Armthorpe Master Plan (copies of which had previously been circulated to each Member) be approved as the Parish Council's formal planning policy document and forwarded to Doncaster Borough Council, in its capacity as local planning authority;
- (2) that the Council formally records its sincere thanks to the Chairman for all the work undertaken by him in pulling all the Members' comments together and producing the final version of the Master Plan.

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49. PLANNING

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 to the application for the proposed residential and commercial/employment (B1, B2 and B8) development situate off Hatfield Lane and to the rear of Mercel Avenue, for the following reasons:-
 - (a) the proposed development does not comply with the provisions of the development plan as the site is designated within a countryside policy area;
 - (b) as Regional Spatial Strategies have now been revoked by central government, references to the Yorkshire and Humber Regional Spatial Strategy in the Applicant's Planning Statement are irrelevant and should not be taken into account in the determination of this application;
 - (c) the Applicant's contention that "there is clear policy support for the proposals" on this site within the emerging LDF is premature, as the Core Strategy has not yet been prepared or subject to public consultation or approved by the local planning authority;
 - (d) the proposed development does not comply with the provisions of the Armthorpe Master Plan, which reflects the views of the Parish Council and local residents for the overall planning for the area;
 - (e) there is no justification for the proposed development as:-
 - (i) there is currently spare capacity for the proposed B1, B2 and B8 uses on other business parks situated within the Borough, including the existing West Moor Business Park and the extension to the same (that has recently received planning permission) which is immediately adjacent to the proposed site;
 - (ii) the applicants have not demonstrated a need for the same by providing details of any potential users of the proposed buildings;

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- (iii) the site of the proposed development has visual significance and has a role as a significant green wedge between the existing residential settlement and the busy A630 West Moor Link;
 - (iv) the site should remain in its existing state/use in order to retain the identity of Armthorpe as a separate entity to prevent any coalescence in the future with Edenthorpe;
 - (v) it offers no major benefit to the village, such as significant improvements to services, community benefits or infrastructure;
 - (vi) the emerging LDF has not yet been able to identify other sites that may be more suitable within Armthorpe or other areas of the Borough;
- (f) the proposed two ponds are considered to be a danger to the health and safety of young children playing on the public open space;
 - (g) the proposed commercial development in such close proximity to the burial ground is not acceptable, as it will affect the tranquility and amenity of the same;
 - (h) the proposed public open space in such close proximity to the burial ground is not acceptable, as it will attract youngsters who have a tendency to cause nuisance in the burial ground as past experience has shown;
 - (i) the Applicant has not provided a Transport Assessment that can be viewed by the public but despite this it is self evident that the proposed development will generate significant vehicular movements into and out of the site, which will create increased traffic on local roads which are already congested at peak morning and evening times, causing further delays to commuters and detriment to road safety;
 - (j) the implication from the third paragraph on page 13 of the Design and Access Statement implies that if the outline application is approved, the number of residential units will increase when the reserved matters application is submitted, thus exacerbating the traffic situation referred to in (i) above;

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- (3) that no objections be submitted to the Borough Council in respect of the remaining applications considered;
- (4) that the local planning authority be requested to investigate whether the premises of Ideal Home Improvements situate on the Nutwell Lane roundabout has planning permission to display the advertisement signs on the outside of its premises.

50. ARMTHORPE INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARD

RESOLVED that the contents of a Newsletter and Notice of Entry received from the Armthorpe Internal Drainage Board, explaining (amongst other things) that the Board would be amalgamating with other Boards in the Doncaster area and carrying out certain works in the district, be noted.

51. GRANTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED that the contents of a letter received from Children with Leukaemia, thanking the Council for its donation of £100.00, be noted.

52. BRIAR ROAD PLAYING FIELD

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of letters received from the Acorn Football Club and the Armthorpe Albion Football Club, requesting use of the Briar Road playing field on Sunday mornings, be noted;
- (2) that the requests be approved, subject to the two Clubs accepting the following terms and conditions:-
 - (a) the Acorn Football Club has priority over Armthorpe Albion Football Club relating to use of the same;
 - (b) each Club provides its own nets and corner flags;
 - (c) each Club marks out the pitch;
 - (d) each Club arranges third party insurance to indemnify participants and the Council against any liability howsoever arising out of the use of the pitch, including any damage or personal injury to spectators, their personal effects and adjoining residents and their property and provides a copy of the same to the Council;

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- (e) after using the pitch, the playing field is left in a clean and tidy condition;
- (f) no nuisance is caused to residents living adjacent to the field and/or the Parish Council;
- (g) no motor vehicles are permitted to park within the fenced areas of the playing field;
- (h) the Council reserves the right to withdraw the permission hereby granted at any time upon written notice to the Club;
- (i) the Council reserves the right to allow any other persons, organisation or club to use the playing field at any time other than on the Sunday mornings during the football season.

53. PLANNING HELP AND TRAINING DAY

RESOLVED that if there are still places and available parking, the Chairman attend the planning training event organised by the Campaign to Protect Rural England, to be held in Sheffield on 14th July 2010.

54. TRAINING CONFERENCE

RESOLVED that details of the Training Conference for Councillors and Clerks organised by Yorkshire & The Humber Regional Training Partnership, which is to be held in Scarborough on 24th-26th September 2010, be noted.

55. YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATIONS

RESOLVED it be noted that the 2010 Joint Annual Meeting of the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations will be held in York on 17th July 2010.

56. ARMTHORPE POORS ESTATE CHARITY

RESOLVED that the Statement of Accounts of the Armthorpe Poors Estate Charity for the financial year 2009/2010, be noted.

57. BDR JOINT WASTE PLAN

RESOLVED it be noted that the pre-publication consultation of the Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham Waste Plan Development Plan Document, which sets out the proposed aims and policies that will be used to assess individual waste proposals and identifies suitable sites for large-scale waste management facilities, can be viewed on the website www.doncaster.gov.uk/wastedpd.

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58. DMBC - VARIOUS MATTERS

RESOLVED

- (1) that details of the proposed prohibition of waiting order to be made by Doncaster Borough Council relating to parts of Yorkshire Way and Derbyshire Court, be noted;
- (2) that Doncaster Borough Council be requested to:-
 - (a) take action to prevent residents leaving their waste bins on the footway outside their properties in Willow Road every day of the week;
 - (b) arrange for accumulations of rubbish to be collected on a regular basis from outside the Household Waste Recycling Depot on Armthorpe Road;
 - (c) arrange for litter picks to take place the day after weekly bin collections, which inevitably leave amounts of litter lying around each street;
 - (d) note that the Parish Council has received many complaints from local residents about maggots in black bins during the recent hot weather and be requested to take action to overcome this recurring problem;
 - (e) investigate the amount of cardboard waste being stored on the former premises of Direct Fireplaces of Doncaster, The Old Dairy, Tranmoor Lane, which is both untidy and considered to be a fire hazard;
 - (f) explain the position with regard to the unfinished play area on Reeves Way;
 - (g) take steps to prevent the parking of motor vehicles on Mercel Avenue outside the building compound of Bramall & Ogden;
 - (h) require the owners of the Mill Street Shopping Precinct to clear the areas of vacant land on either side of the Precinct, which are detrimental to the amenity of the area;
 - (i) ask the owners of Doncaster Motor Trade G.T.A. Ltd. to prevent its trainees using the public open space at Mercel Avenue as it is believed that some of them are causing damage to play equipment and nuisance to legitimate users of the play equipment.

59. SOUTH YORKSHIRE PASSENGER TRANSPORT EXECUTIVE

RESOLVED that South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive be requested to repair the damaged bus stop in Yorkshire Way.

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