

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARMTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
ARMTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WELFARE PARK, CHURCH STREET,
ARMTHORPE ON TUESDAY, 1ST MARCH 2016

PRESENT:- Chairman - Councillor F.J. Tyas

Councillors N. Berry, A. Berwick, A.J. Berwick, S.J. Cherry, T. Corden,
M.J. Doran, R. Fretwell, P.A. Hanson, I.E. Walstow and M. Walton.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from the Vice-Chairman, Councillor
S.L. McGuinness and Councillors E. Butler, A.L. Dickson and C.J. McGuinness.

147. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

RESOLVED it be noted that there were no declarations made at the
meeting.

148. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on
2nd February 2016 (copies of which had previously been circulated to each
Member) be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

149. MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the special meeting of the Council held on
3rd February 2016 (copies of which had previously been circulated to each
Member) be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

150. BURIALS

RESOLVED

- (1) it be noted that since the last meeting of the Council, there had
been 1 interment and 3 interments of cremated remains at the
Rands Lane burial ground;
- (2) that with effect from 1st April 2016, fees in respect of the Rands
Lane burial ground be increased to the amounts shown in the
attached schedule of fees.

151. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED

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

	£		
D. Cooke	475.88	Gardening charges	509507
J. Hepworth	504.20	Accountancy services	509509
HM Revenue & Customs	2,416.49	Tax, National Insurance	509510

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	£		
South Yorkshire Pensions Authority	1,215.72	Superannuation contributions	509511
Employees	7,754.90	Pay	509512-509523
Yorkshire Water Doncaster MBC	8.12	Water charges - burial ground	509526
	585.94	Grounds maintenance charges - 14/9 - 6/12	509528
British Epilepsy Association	250.00	Grant	509529
Friends of the Peak District	50.00	Grant	509530

- (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 16th February 2016, be noted:-

	£		
Yorkshire Water	153.49	Water and sewerage charges - CC	509499
Christmas Plus Ltd.	2,363.04	Christmas lighting outstanding balance	509500
Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation	135.36	Cleaning materials - CC	509502
O. Garner	60.00	Dance fees - 5 & 19/1	509504
M.L. Dyminiuk	80.00	Dance fees - 16/12 & 12/1	509505
Marilyn Baker School of Dance	100.00	Grant	509506
Gas & Hire Ltd.	46.69	Cylinder hire & CO ² refill	509508

152. INTERNAL AUDIT

RESOLVED

- (1) that the report of the Clerk enabling the Council to demonstrate that it has a sound system of internal control and an effective internal audit system, be noted;
- (2) that the contents of the Council's Assets Register (copies of which had previously been circulated to each Member), be noted and approved;
- (3) that the risk management assessments 2015/16, including the Financial Regulations and Standing Orders relating to Contracts (copies of which had previously been circulated to each Member) be noted and approved;
- (4) that the risk management assessments be reviewed on the review dates stipulated therein (or earlier if required);
- (5) that the Audit Plan once again be adopted for use by the internal auditor, who shall be required to follow the same and also submit a written report (together with the completed Audit Plan) for consideration by the Council with the draft year-end Annual Accounts;

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- (6) that the Council records it is satisfied that it has a sound system of internal control and has undertaken an effective internal audit of the Council's accounting records, including its system of internal control in accordance with the proper practices in relation to internal control, as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.

153. PLANNING

RESOLVED

- (1) that details of the two 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 submitted to the Borough Council in respect of the same (application numbers 16/00130/FUL and 16/00444/FULM);
- (2) that the contents of an email from the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations, regarding a petition to give local councils the right to appeal planning decisions, be noted and supported (a) by the Clerk signing the petition on the Council's behalf and (b) Members also signing the petition online.

154. WARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

RESOLVED that Ward Councillor T. Corden be thanked for reporting and supplying information on the following matters:-

- (1) he understood that the outline planning application for the extension to West Moor Distribution Park, comprising buildings for use within Class B1 and B8 (approval being sought for access) (15/03013/OUTM), may be withdrawn but would ascertain if this information was correct and report on the matter again at the next meeting;
- (2) at Doncaster Borough Council's budget meeting held earlier that day, a Council tax increase of 3.95% had been approved (which included 2% to fund adult social care);
- (3) the Borough Council had also approved the Sheffield City Region development deal and as a result, in 2017 a City Region Mayor would have to be elected, to fulfil the criteria for accessing central government funding for the region.

155. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

RESOLVED that the Annual Parish Meeting be held at 7.30 pm on Tuesday, 5th April 2016 and preceded by the next meeting of the Parish Council, which shall commence at 7.00 pm on that date.

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156. GRANTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of letters be noted from Children with Cancer UK and the Marilyn Baker School of Dance, thanking the Council for its £100.00 donation to each of them;
- (2) that the contents of a letter received from the Armthorpe Poors Estate Charity, be noted:-
 - (a) enclosing a cheque for £500 towards the cost of the 2015 Annual Christmas Tea and Social for the senior citizens of the village;
 - (b) advising that this will be the last year the Charity will be contributing to the event, as the money is not being used for the purpose of the Charity, as those attending are not necessarily in need of assistance;
- (3) that a letter of thanks be sent to the Trustees of the Armthorpe Poors Estate Charity, thanking them for the current donation and expressing Members gratitude for the financial assistance granted towards the costs of the Annual Christmas Tea and Social over many years;
- (4) it be noted that Epilepsy Action were unable to send someone to receive the £250 grant (£182 from the Memory Tree and £68 from Parish Council funds), so a cheque for the amount of the grant be sent to the charity;
- (5) that the offer from Epilepsy Action to offer epilepsy awareness training to Members be accepted and further information be obtained as to how long such training will take, so that a mutually convenient date can be arranged.

157. MARIE CURIE GREAT DAFFODIL APPEAL

RESOLVED that the contents of an email regarding this year’s Marie Curie Great Daffodil Appeal, be noted.

158. VIBRATION WHITE FINGER

RESOLVED that the contents of an email from Jordans, Solicitors, requesting help to contact ex-coal miners regarding their vibration white finger claims made in the late 90’s and 00’s, be noted and no action be taken on the request.

159. DMBC - VARIOUS MATTERS

RESOLVED

- (1) that the following replies received from Doncaster Borough Council be noted:-

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- (a) the White Towers Caravan Site had been cleared of rubbish and in order to prevent further fly-tipping on the site CCTV will be installed in the near future;
 - (b) the provision of a right turn lane into the Household Waste Recycling Centre on Armthorpe Road had been considered previously but could not be taken forward due to the limited highway space available; additional signs were erected in order to warn road users of the location of accesses along Armthorpe Road and of the likelihood of encountering queuing traffic;
- (2) that the contents of a briefing note summarising a new initiative, Operation Illuminate, which sets out a joint South Yorkshire Police/South Yorkshire Safer Roads Partnership response to the increase in fatal road traffic collisions in South Yorkshire in the final quarter of 2015, be noted;
- (3) that notice of the temporary order be noted, which prohibited through traffic/right turn manoeuvres and temporary 40 mph speed limit on the southern bridge over the M18 at Junction 4 (West Moor Link)/A630 West Moor Link Road, Armthorpe on 7th March 2016 between 2000 hours and 0600 hours (and up to a further 4 additional nights), whilst works are undertaken to make repairs to the carriageway;
- (4) that the Borough Council be requested to:-
- (a) arrange for the street lighting column situated outside 14 Park Avenue to be made safe and repaired as soon as possible;
 - (b) repair pot holes in Nutwell Lane, Park Avenue and Mansfield Crescent;
 - (c) take steps to close the Wickett Hern Road skate park at a set time during each evening in accordance with previous undertakings, so as to prevent unauthorised accumulations of litter from youths/motor vehicles using the car park on the site and noise nuisance to residents during the hours of darkness;
 - (d) investigate the excessive number of motor vehicles (10) being offered for sale and 2 for rent on the site of the Mill Street Car Wash and take the necessary enforcement action to prohibit this unauthorised use;
 - (e) remove 4 refrigerators from the grass verge at the side of Holmewood Lane, which had been reported 2 weeks previously;
 - (f) investigate fly tipping on land adjacent to the premises of GTA in Rands Lane;

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- (g) indicate when, if ever, the tree on the grass verge outside 42 Tranmoor Lane will be cut back, as it is overhanging the footpath blocking the light to the adjacent property in the summer and causing the path to be slippery in the autumn when the tree drops its leaves (previously reported in September);
- (h) indicate whether traffic is to be diverted through Armthorpe for one month and if so, the reason for this;
- (i) carry out remedial works to the junction of Durham Lane and Rands Lane to prevent water ponding, which is a danger to road users in that location;
- (j) clear an accumulation of rubbish from land on either side of the tarmacked access leading to the Markham Main Officials Club, which is outside the curtilage of the premises;
- (k) consider imposing (i) traffic calming measures in Harris Road to prevent vehicles exceeding the speed limit and (ii) a prohibition of waiting order on the sharp bend in that road near to its junction with Doncaster Road, where parked vehicles are causing a danger to other road users.

160. DONCASTER LOCAL PLAN

RESOLVED that the contents of an email received from Doncaster Borough Council be noted, regarding the preparation of the Doncaster Local Plan, which advised:-

- (1) a report is being presented to full Council on 1st March 2016 on the proposed housing distribution across the borough that will set housing growth targets for settlements;
- (2) if full Council approve the recommendation set out in the report, there will be a consultation period of 6 weeks and it is proposed that the formal consultation period will start on 7th March 2016 and will finish on 18th April 2016.

161. SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of an email from South Yorkshire Police regarding the dates for the new Community Safety Meetings, be noted;
- (2) that Issue 4 of the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner's Newsletter, regarding policing and the justice system across South Yorkshire, be noted;

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- (3) that the police once again address complaints from local residents about nuisance being caused from motor vehicles and their occupants shouting/revving their engines, whilst parking/stationery in Wickett Hern Road in the vicinity of the multi-use games area, from about 7 pm until 2 am and racing at high speeds up and down that road.

162. BARTON LANE

RESOLVED it be noted that information had been received to the effect that Barton Lane was now owned by F. Hird & Sons/Hird Rail Services Limited, whose premises are on Barton Lane.

Signature