

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARMTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
ARMTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WELFARE PARK, CHURCH STREET,
ARMTHORPE, ON TUESDAY, 6TH MARCH 2018

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

Councillors N. Berry, Mrs. A. Berwick, A.J. Berwick, S.J. Cherry,
M.J. Doran, R. Fretwell, F.J. Tyas and E. Walstow.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E. Butler,
A.L. Dickson, C.J. McGuinness and M. Walton.

128. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

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

Chairman of the Council, Councillor S.L. McGuinness - Minute 133
relating to Planning and she left the meeting during consideration of
the same.

129. CO-OPTION TO CASUAL VACANCY

RESOLVED that the contents of an email be noted from
Mr. D. Ransome, expressing an interest in being co-opted to the
recent casual vacancy in the office of Councillor and the matter be
deferred for determination at the next meeting, to enable all
interested persons to submit a synopsis about themselves and
reasons for wanting to be co-opted.

130. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on
6th February 2018 (copies of which had previously been circulated
to each Member) be approved as a correct record and signed by
the Chairman.

131. BURIALS

RESOLVED it be noted that since the last meeting of the Council,
there had been 3 interments and 2 interments of cremated remains,
at the Rands Lane burial ground.

132. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED

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

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	£		
1053 (Armthorpe) Squadron ATC	250.00	Grant	510361
HM Revenue & Customs	2,260.89	Tax, National Insurance	510363
South Yorkshire Pensions Authority	1,026.58	Superannuation contributions	510364
Employees	8,684.64	Pay	510365-510380
D. Cooke	436.21	Gardening charges	510385
Sage (UK) Ltd.	34.80	Forms P60	510387
Yorkshire Water	19.47	Water charges - Burial ground	510391
Doncaster MBC	581.30	Grounds maintenance	510396
Yorkshire Water	138.74	Water charges - Allotments	510398

- (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 20th February 2018, be noted:-

	£		
Npower Ltd.	10.37	Electricity charges - Briar Road playing field	510336
George Young	600.00	Architects services - CC	510357
Analogue Electrics Ltd.	396.00	Fire alarm, intruder alarm & emergency lighting service	510358
M.L. Dyminiuk	160.00	Dance fees - 2, 9, 16 & 23/1	510359
Cash	100.00	Petty cash - CC	510362
M.L. Dyminiuk	100.00	Dance fees - 30/1 & 6/2	510381
	£		Credit card
BuildASign	37.72	Banner - Table Top Sale	29.01.18
Screwfix	13.98	Compact fluorescent light bulbs	06.02.18
Baker Ross	501.67	Arts & crafts materials	07.02.18

133. PLANNING

RESOLVED

- (1) that the 5 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 in respect of the Section 73 application (18/00205/OUTM) to vary condition 25 (height limits) of the outline planning permission 15/02013/OUTM granted on 7th July 2017 for an extension to the West Moor Distribution Park, comprising buildings for use within Class B1 and B8, objections be submitted to the Borough Council for the following reasons:-

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- (a) the applicant is still referring to a speculative build and the need for such a large scale building has still not been demonstrated 9 years after the original outline application was granted in 2009, when (amongst other things) the local planning authority had been informed “the applicant had satisfactorily demonstrated a current need for the three larger units by assessing the level of demand for large scale logistics development and comparing this with the number of units of this scale available within the Borough;”
 - (b) the application if approved will adversely affect the amenity of residential occupiers living in such close proximity to a building with a bulk and height of 18.7 metres;
 - (c) the height of the proposed building exceeds by 2.7 metres the height of Building A, which was only approved in 2017 and the local planning authority should (after taking account of all previous and current objections which over time have proved to be justified) refuse this application and ensure consistency with its previous approval of the maximum height for buildings on this site;
- (3) that no objections or comments be submitted in respect of the remaining applications, namely, application numbers 18/00205/OUTM, 18/00205/OUTM, 18/00202/FUL, 18/00153/FUL and 18/00328/FUL;
 - (4) that the notice served on the local planning authority to remove hedgerows totalling 1,369m on land off Holme Wood Lane, made under Regulation 5(1) of The Hedgerow Regulations 1997, together with the representations shown in the email from the Parish Council objecting to the same and requesting a Hedgerow Retention Notice be served on the developer/landowner; be noted;
 - (5) that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman’s action in authorising the Parish Council’s objections, etc. to the Hedgerow Removal Notice, be approved as it was necessary to enable the local planning authority to consider the same, when making its determination on the Notice on the same date of this Parish Council meeting;
 - (6) it be noted with regret, that the local planning authority had earlier in the day resolved not to issue a Hedgerow Retention Notice.

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134. 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 risk management assessments 2017/18, including the Financial Regulations and Standing Orders relating to Contracts (copies of which had previously been circulated to each Member) be noted and approved;
- (3) that the risk management assessments be reviewed on the review dates stipulated therein (or earlier if required);
- (4) that the contents of the Council's Assets Register (copies of which had previously been circulated to each Member), be noted and approved;
- (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;
- (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, as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.

135. WARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

RESOLVED that Ward Councillors S.L. McGuinness and F.J. Tyas be thanked for reporting and supplying information regarding:-

- (1) the 3.99% increase in the Council Tax for Band D properties approved by Doncaster Borough Council for the next financial year 2018-19;
- (2) the 1% reduction in Council house rents in the Borough, which are already the lowest within the areas of all Metropolitan District Councils.

136. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

RESOLVED that the Annual Parish Meeting be held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday, 4th April 2018 and preceded by the next meeting of the Parish Council, which shall commence at 7.00 pm on that date.

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137. PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOLS

RESOLVED that the contents of an email from the Safer Roads Manager of Doncaster Borough Council responding to the Parish Council's complaints of unauthorised vehicular parking near to the Southfield and Shaw Wood Academies, be noted and which advised:-

- (1) the Council's enforcement department will be considering the request for Traffic Wardens to visit these areas on a more frequent basis;
- (2) that to consider removing wherever possible grass verges to create additional vehicle parking spaces was (in terms of currently available traffic and road safety resources) extremely difficult to prioritise or even support one individual request over others from areas with similar problems and this is particularly the case on Tranmoor Lane, where previous extensive fencing and bollard works have been undertaken; it has also been found that traffic speeds tend to be higher when a road is in effect widened by the creation of additional parking spaces;
- (3) the request for the bus stop to be removed from Tranmoor Lane has been passed to South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive for its consideration.

138. ARMTHORPE SPORTS CENTRE

RESOLVED that the contents of a letter be noted from a local resident regarding the proposed changes to the 'Family Swim For All' sessions at the Armthorpe Sports Centre and the letter forwarded to the Doncaster Culture and Leisure Trust for its attention and reply direct to the correspondent in this matter.

139. THE VILLAGE PRACTICE

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of a letter from the Practice Manager of The Village Practice giving notification of the proposed merger of The Village Practice, Armthorpe and Auckley Surgery, Auckley with effect from 1st April 2018, be noted;
- (2) that the Practice Manager be asked if residents of the village have been consulted about the proposed merger and asked to explain if it means that residents may sometimes have to travel to Auckley to consult a doctor.

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140. DEFRA CONSULTATION ON TACKLING CRIME AND POOR PERFORMANCE IN THE WASTE SECTOR

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of an email from the Yorkshire Local Councils Association regarding a DEFRA consultation on proposals to tackle crime and poor performance in the waste sector, be noted;
- (2) that Councillor C.J. McGuinness be asked to respond to the consultation on behalf of the Parish Council.

141. ARMTHORPE NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of an email from the Planning Environment Manager of Doncaster Borough Council be noted, confirming:-
 - (a) that the Borough Council do not accept the independent examiner's recommendation to modify policy ANP 10 - namely the deletion of part 4, which reads, 'A design and layout which accommodates the Green Wedge to north of the site referred to and identified in Policy ANP35, including proposals for the beneficial use of the Green Wedge';
 - (b) as such the Borough Council has to consult on its decision not to accept the proposed modification and the consultation will commence shortly for a minimum of six weeks and subject to the result of this consultation a referendum can then be held;
- (2) arrangements be made by the Clerk to amend the Armthorpe Neighbourhood Development Plan by incorporating/deleting the examiner's other recommendations.

142. BARTON LANE

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of a recent undated letter sent to Members of the Council by Hird Barton Lane Management Company Limited, setting out its proposals for highway improvements, on-street car parking and waiting restrictions, be noted;
- (2) that the company be informed that the Parish Council:-
 - (a) objects to the proposals to introduce waiting restrictions on Barton Lane and that it will submit its objections to Doncaster Borough Council, the highway

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authority, who it is understood are consulting on making a traffic regulation order;

- (b) considers that the condition of the lane appears to have worsened by the use of very large heavy goods vehicles, which now use it to access/egress the company's business premises and as such the Parish Council will request the Borough Council to impose a weight restriction on the lane;
- (c) considers that the company has both a legal and a moral responsibility to put the lane in good repair and condition.

143. DMBC - VARIOUS MATTERS

RESOLVED that Doncaster Borough Council be requested to:-

- (1) clear a blocked surface water gully situate outside the Horse & Groom public house in Nutwell Lane;
- (2) repair potholes in the carriageway in Tranmoor Lane outside the Tranmoor Primary School;
- (3) arrange for removal of an accumulation of rubbish from the rear of the Mill Street Shopping Precinct;
- (4) make arrangements to have the gate locked to the skate park at Wickett Hern Road during the hours of darkness, as users are causing nuisance to elderly residents living in that vicinity.

144. SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

RESOLVED that the information supplied at the meeting by a representative of South Yorkshire Police, regarding crimes reported since the last meeting of the Council, be noted.

Signature