

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARMTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN  
ARMTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WELFARE PARK, CHURCH STREET,  
ARMTHORPE, ON TUESDAY, 1ST JULY 2008

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

Councillors A. Brown, A.J. Brown, M. Davison, L.S. Dickman, P.J. Farrell,  
D.P. Hill, I.P. Hutchinson, V. Jennings, J.R. Lowndes, T.D. O'Connor and  
M. Pinkney.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G.R. Hayes and  
W.L. Moore.

50. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

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

Councillor V. Jennings - Minute 55 relating to the allotments.

Chairman and Councillor P.J. Farrell - Minute 65 relating to  
Neighbourhood Energy Action

51. MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council  
held on 27th May 2008 (copies of which had previously been  
circulated to each Member) be approved as a correct record and  
signed by the Chairman.

52. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on  
3<sup>rd</sup> June 2008 (copies of which had previously been circulated  
to each Member) be approved as a correct record and signed by  
the Chairman.

53. STAFFING COMMITTEE MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the Staffing  
Committee held on 27th May 2008 (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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54. STAFFING (APPOINTMENTS) SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meetings of the Staffing (Appointments) Sub-Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> June 2008 (copies of which had previously been circulated to each Member) be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

55. ALLOTMENTS

RESOLVED it be noted that vacant Plots 15 and 30 on the Council's Mercel Avenue allotment site had been re-let to the next two people on the waiting list.

56. BURIALS

RESOLVED

- (1) it be noted that since the meeting of the Council held on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2008, there had been 8 interments and 2 interments of cremated remains at the Rands Lane burial ground;
- (2) it be noted that as a result of complaints received about the refuse bin in the burial ground not being emptied each week, the position was being monitored by the Council's General Assistant.

57. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

RESOLVED

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

	£		
BT Payment Services Ltd.	121.28	Line rental - 709699	505985
Children with Leukaemia	50.00	Grant	505990
Yorkshire Local Councils Associations	790.00	Annual subscription	505991
Employees	6,274.43	Pay	505996-506008
D. Cooke	20.01	Petrol x 2	506009
D. Cooke	705.60	Gardening charges - April & May	506010
Inland Revenue	2,736.58	Tax, National Insurance	506011
South Yorkshire Pensions Authority	438.60	Superannuation contributions	506012
Armthorpe Elmfield Band	750.00	Grant	506028

- (2) that the following schedule of accounts for payment which was approved by the Council's Community Centre and General Purposes Committee on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2008, be noted:-

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	£		
J.F. Monks (Doncaster) Ltd.	166.85	Supply 15 official receipt books	505980
C.L.C. Joinery	3,200.00	Supply and fit wooden staircase	505981
Armthorpe Community Enterprise Ltd.	300.00	Purchase of sports equipment	505982
Armthorpe Community Enterprise Ltd.	65.00	Mobile phone charges	505983
BT Payment Services Ltd.	57.38	Line rental - 835168	505984
G.P. Services (U.K.) Ltd.	237.59	Supply toilet rolls	505986
Gas & Hire Ltd.	54.00	Cylinder hire & 70/30 refill	505987
Staples	77.97	Ink cartridges, labels & USB drives	505988
BT Payment Services Ltd.	142.76	Broadband charges	505989
Adaptainer Ltd.	2,226.63	Supply metal storage container	505993
Staples	56.11	Clipboards, flip pad, pens, stapler etc.	505994
Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation	498.22	Purchase of sports and recreation equipment	505995

58. PLANNING

RESOLVED

- (1) that details of 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 objections be submitted to the application for the erection of two storey pitched roof garage/residential extension to side following demolition of existing garages, pitched roof porch extension to front, replacement conservatory extension to side and alterations to roof of existing dwelling in connection with formation of additional rooms in roofspace at Springfields, 60 Rands Lane, for the following reasons:-
  - (a) the size of the proposed development is too large in that setting and changes the whole character of the existing dwelling;
  - (b) the proposed development would be to the detriment of the character of the area and the street scene;
  - (c) it appears that the land may be used for business purposes;

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(d) in the event that the Borough Council may be minded to approve the application, it is requested to impose a condition prohibiting the use of the land for business purposes;

(3) that no objections be submitted to the Borough Council in respect of the remaining applications considered.

59. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2007/08

RESOLVED that a Special Meeting of the Council be held on 22nd July 2008 commencing at 7.00 p.m., to consider and approve (or otherwise) the Council's draft Accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 2008.

60. EXPANSION OF DONCASTER'S GREEN BELT

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of a letter received from the Campaign to Protect Rural England, South Yorkshire, (CPRE) regarding its campaign for the expansion of Doncaster's Green Belt to the eastern side of the East Coast mainline, be noted;
- (2) that the Council records its support for the CPRE's campaign and representations be made to Doncaster Borough Council (in its capacity as local planning authority) requesting it to change the classification or designation of the Countryside Policy Area in the east of the Borough to Green Belt.

61. ANNUAL CIVIC SERVICE AND PARADE

RESOLVED that the Chairman represent the Council at the Annual Civic Service and Parade of Doncaster Borough Council to be held on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2008.

62. GRANTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of a letter received from Children with Leukaemia, thanking the Council for its donation of £50.00, be noted;
- (2) that in accordance with its powers under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council should incur the sum of £50.00 to Safe@Last which, in its opinion, is in the interests of the area or part of it or all or some of its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

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63. PARISH COUNCILS' JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED

- (1) that the contents of a letter received from Doncaster Borough Council regarding cancellation of the meeting of the Parish Councils' Joint Consultative Committee on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2008, be noted;
- (2) that representations be made to the Borough Council for it to nominate Members to this Sub-Committee with a view to an early meeting being called.

64. YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATIONS

RESOLVED that the Vice-Chairman, Councillor J.R. Armstrong and Councillor P.J. Farrell represent the Council at the Joint Annual Meeting of the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations to be held at Upper Poppleton on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2008.

65. NEIGHBOURHOOD ENERGY ACTION

RESOLVED that Councillor P.J. Farrell be thanked for the information supplied about Doncaster Borough Council's Neighbourhood Energy Action Scheme, which has been established to ensure all householders are able to access grants that will assist in achieving thermal comfort.

66. DMBC - VARIOUS MATTERS

RESOLVED that Doncaster Borough Council be requested to:-

- (a) arrange for the damaged litter bin in Rands Lane to be replaced and to ensure that such replacement and the litter bin on Mercel Avenue is emptied on a more frequent basis;
- (b) once again investigate the need for the motor vehicle trailer parked outside 31-33 Beech Road, which is being used as a skip and left on the highway without being lit during the hours of darkness, causing danger to other road users;
- (c) replace the zebra crossing in Church Street (near to the junction with Rose Grove) with a pelican crossing, as the existing crossing is a danger to pedestrians;
- (d) investigate a breach of planning control relating to the unauthorised use of 146 Nutwell Lane which is being used for the sale of motor vehicles;

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- (e) remove the damaged sign from the skate park on Wickett Hern Road;
- (f) clarify the previous correspondence relating to the proposed rural footpath between Reeves Way and Markham Main Heath, as there appears to be a discrepancy between its information and that subsequently supplied by the Coal Authority;
- (g) replace the litter bin removed from the footway outside the shop premises of Beau Frames and Crafts at the Nutwell Lane roundabout.

67. MEETINGS WITH VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

RESOLVED that as a result of his discussions with representatives of village organisations, including Head Teachers of local schools, Police Community Support Officers, etc., the Chairman be authorised to arrange quarterly meetings with the same for the purposes of discussing mutual areas of concern, ideas for improvements, etc.

68. SMART WATER

RESOLVED that Councillor P.J. Farrell be thanked for the information supplied regarding the costs of purchasing a Smart Water kit, which had increased from £11.50 to £17.62.

69. MONTHLY CRIME STATISTICS

RESOLVED that Councillor P.J. Farrell be thanked for circulating details of the monthly crime statistics issued by South Yorkshire Police, including the monthly trend charts and monthly crime performance by area comparators and statistics.

69A. SOUTH YORKSHIRE POLICE

RESOLVED that South Yorkshire Police once again be requested to pay attention to the telephone kiosk on Doncaster Road, which is being used for the sale of illegal drugs.

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