

**WARMFIELD CUM HEATH PARISH COUNCIL
EXTRACTS FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 19 MARCH 2008**

Public Participation – Mr Brian Stringer asked for confirmation that the Parish Council was determined to continue to push for the removal of all the unauthorised activities at “Pineapple Farm”, Marshall Hill in Warmfield, and that no Councillors were involved in any way with the site. Cllr Fisher stated categorically that this was the Council’s intention, and asked all Councillors present to verify, by a show of hands, that they had no involvement.

Accordingly, District Cllr Barrie Smith, supported by District Cllrs Blezard and Dagger, then gave a full report on the current position with regard to the site. He confirmed that a site visit had been made by the WMDC Enforcement Officer and WY Police, and that a report seeking authority to take enforcement action is currently being prepared for the Chair & Deputy Chair at WMDC.

District Cllr Dagger informed the Council of the new policing arrangements which are now in place, which consist of a Neighbourhood Policing Team, based at Normanton Police Station, with responsibility for Normanton, Heath, Kirkthorpe and Warmfield. The Team Supervisor is Inspector Richard Jones, and there are two PCSOs, Caz Hall and Carl Brookes, who were present at the meeting, and who will be patrolling the Warmfield-cum-Heath Parish. In all cases the contact number is 01924-295456.

Cllr Dagger also raised the issue of the new Waste Collection Scheme which is now being operated in this area. A number of “Teething Troubles” were raised, and he agreed to take these back to WMDC.

District Cllr Smith confirmed that the £500 Community Chest Grant, towards repairs to the War Memorial, has now been issued, and he presented a certificate, to mark this award, to Cllr Veronica Smith, representing the Parochial Church Council.

Val Kerr raised the issue of further illegal camping by Gypsies/Travellers on the Normanton Bypass, and was informed that this has been reported to Ed Balls MP who is looking into this matter generally. She also remarked on the amount of litter strewn along the Bypass, and it was agreed to bring this up at the next Welbeck Liaison Committee meeting.

Darren and Rachel King set out their concerns with regard to the current Planning Application for conversion of a barn to residential use, adjacent to their property at Heath Hall Stables, which would result in access and parking problems if approved. After some discussion, it was resolved to write to WMDC Planning in support of their legitimate concerns.

Clerk’s Progress Report – The Chair and Clerk reported on their recent meeting with Ed Balls MP, when the whole issue of illegal camping by Gypsies/Travellers, and the costs of clearing up the rubbish left behind, was discussed. Mr Balls was receptive to the points made, and agreed to take up the matter with the relevant authorities and report back.

The issues regarding the War Memorial repairs and “Pineapple Farm” were covered during the Public Participation session.

A letter has been sent to St Peter’s Parochial Church Council, regarding the condition of the upper burial ground in Kirkthorpe Lane, and West Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive has been asked to explain why one of the bus stops in Kirkthorpe has recently been moved.

A letter has also been sent to YEDL, asking for information on the programme for removal of overhead power lines in the Parish.

Planning Matters

The following Applications were discussed:

Heath Hall Stables, Heath – Barn to Residential – Decision Pending – Clerk to write to WMDC Planning.

Rose Cottage Farm, Heath – Boundary Wall & Verge to Residential – Decision Pending.

NEW APPLICATIONS

Ground Floor Flat 3, Manor House Flats, Heath – Tree Felling (1 Tree) – No Objections from PC.

3 Elsicker Lane (Land Adj), Warmfield – 1 No Detached Dwelling – No Objection from PC.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Commons Liaison Committee – Cllr Fisher provided an update on the last meeting, held on 11 March 2008, and circulated the notes of the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for 20 May 2008.

Road Safety Committee – Cllr Crowther reported on the last meeting, held on 10 March 2008. There were no issues discussed which directly affect the Parish.

Welbeck Liaison Committee – The next meeting is to be held on 20 March 2008.

Sharlston Colliery Redevelopment Liaison Committee – Cllr Crowther gave an update on recent meetings, and reported that the gas supply to New Sharlston has been approved, and some streets are to be considered for re-surfacing. Applications to the Community Trust Fund are invited, and the Clerk was instructed to write with regard to the potential for providing Street Lighting across Sharlston Common and in Marshall Hill at Warmfield.

Kirkthorpe Playing Fields – The Clerk reported that the Security Lights on the Community Centre were no fully operative.

Local Area Partnerships/Engagement – The sites for the Neighbourhood Development Fund Planters have now been confirmed, and the filled planters will be positioned within the near future.

Future Speakers – The Clerk confirmed that Lee Gray, from the Yorkshire Air Ambulance organisation would be attending the meeting scheduled for 18 June 2008. District Cllr Dagger suggested that Inspector Richard Jones from WY Police be invited to address a future meeting, and this was agreed.

Community Centre – Cllr Habberjam reported on the first meeting of the new sub-committee which has been formed to run the Community Centre. He confirmed the Offices which had been filled and that he would be inviting local residents to be involved and to take office. The next meeting is scheduled for 14 April 2008.

Parish Plan – Cllr Fisher outlined his vision for the formulation of a Parish Plan, and distributed a note on the principles and objectives involved. He asked Members to come up with suggestions for full discussion at the next meeting.

Correspondence

The following items of correspondence were reported upon:

- WMDC – Mayor's Civic Parade – Cllrs Maiden & Smith to attend.
- Rural Arts – Art in Your Village Seminar.
- YLCA – Planning Information Sessions.
- YLCA – Monthly Information Sheets.
- Entec UK – Planning for Waste Management – Cllr Fisher to attend.
- WMDC – Corporate Services – The Sentinel Magazine.

- Move Ahead – Correspondence regarding the Community Centre.

Additional Matters/Items for Next Agenda

- Cllr Maiden re-iterated her concerns about horses being tethered on the mown areas of Heath Common – The Clerk to contact Property Services at WMDC.

Date/Time of Next Meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on

16 April 2008 in the Community Centre, Kirkthorpe at 7.00 pm.

This meeting will be followed immediately by the Annual Parish Meeting.

All Parishioners welcome to attend.