

## **KIRKBAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> March 2009 Kirkbampton Village Hall**

**Present:-** Clr. M. Cunliffe, Clr. R. Stables, Clr. N. Mowbray, Clr. E. Newstead, Clr. M. Cartner, Clr. J. Graham, Clr. V Hodgson, Clr. D. Fairbairn

1. **Apologies and Declarations of Interest**

To receive any apologies and note any declarations of interest

**Resolved:-** Apologies received from Clr. S Bertram

Declaration from N. Mowbray under Minute 7b as Secretary of PCC

2. **Minutes of the meeting**

Dated 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009 to approve and sign as a true record.

**Resolved: -** The minutes of meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> January was agreed as a true record.

3 **Adjournment of meeting**

The Chairman adjourned the meeting to allow members of the public an opportunity to ask questions or raise matters of interest.

**Resolved: -** There were no member of public present.

3a **Moorhouse Sewer Update:-**

**Resolved: -** Duncan Fone of United Utilities attended the meeting and after apologizing for not attending previous meetings answered several questions posed by the councilors.

a. Progress on Flatt – Clr. E. Newstead asked for a reply regarding upgrading the Flatt area sewage system to mains sewage. Mr. Fone replied that it would initially require all the relevant property owners to register their interest in such a scheme. United Utilities would then look at the feasibility of a scheme based on certain factors. Are there problems at the moment with the existing septic tank system? Distance to existing mains, Number of properties. Would it be a cost effective solution? Moorhouse has gone ahead due to major environmental pollution problems, is this a problem in Flatt. Mr. Fone suggested we contacted Pollution Control at Environment Agency, Penrith to see if there had been any reports. It was decided that The Flatt would have problems meeting any of these requirements and we do not at present proceed any further.

b. Moorhouse – Clr. Graham raised a point re capacity, D. Fone stated that Kirkbampton has capacity to cope with the extra. Also removal from Kirkbampton by tanker was probably a usual event to remove sludge. John stated that this seemed to be happening on a more regular basis. As regards the Moorhouse system a full survey had been done and a horseshoe was found blocking the system. This was removed. The new Moorhouse properties will add an additional 25% to flow level to the pipe into Kirkbampton sewer beds. Incoming flow is controlled by an old device which will be replaced by a new hydraulic system. The filter bed jets will be resized and in financial period April 2010 to 2015 there may be a new storm tank added. Clr. Graham stated he had looked at the outfall beck and it does not seem to be as clean as previously. D. Fone said the removal of sludge could have caused this but was unlikely.

- c. Road closure was for 20 weeks from 12th January therefore completion will be 1<sup>st</sup> week in June and is still on time. Thurstonfield to Langwath corner is finished apart from under watercourse at Old Mill. Pumping station built. Manholes in Moorhouse and runs 70% completed.
  - d. Clr. Fairbairn indicated that County Highways, Capita and Amey had used 3 systems of software when deciding whose area these works involved and this is why we were not informed of what was happening from the outset. Clr. Fairbairn indicated that he had complained about this. It was also noted that the running of the Moorhouse sewage into Kirkbampton could jeopardise any future housing development in Kirkbampton due to space in the sewage beds taken up by Carlisle waste.
4. **Police Report**
  - a. Report from Crime mapping website.  
**Resolved:** - According to the Crime Mapping there were 3 reported crimes in our area during January.  
**Resolved:-** Noted
  - b. Dates for Police Surgeries.  
**Resolved:** - Dates for Police Surgeries have been posted in various places round the village presumably by the police. The Clerk is to contact PC Andy Robertson requesting any information be also sent to him for our records.
5. **Bowness, Thursby & Caldbeck Neighbourhood Forum & Other External Meetings** -To receive reports from:
  - a. Neighbourhood Forum Meeting – 26<sup>th</sup> January, Kirkbampton Village Hall  
**Resolved:-** See Item 3a above.
  - b. CALC General Meeting – 26<sup>th</sup> February, Bothel  
**Resolved:** - Clr. John Graham attended. Grants for Parish Paths were discussed. We have only 1 path in our area.  
Highways Stewards. Generally most councils were pleased with their work but some fine tuning needed. It was agreed that they would work in the various areas for 2 to 3 days at a time over a shorter regular period. Next date in our area is 20<sup>th</sup> April
6. **Roads, footpaths and lighting**
  - a. Update on Oughterby Notice Board  
**Resolved:-** Work to be carried out in the near future.
  - b. Update on Street Lighting, Little Bampton  
**Resolved:** - Still not done. Clr. M. Cartner to contact Dave Brydon
  - c. Highways Hotline.  
**Resolved:** - Street Light Out adjacent to Beech Cottage. Hotline Ref. 272092 Reported 03.03.09 Also reported by others. It was stated that it was due to a faulty cable caused when new tarmac was laid. The Highways Steward thought it was a United Utilities problem. Clr. V. Hodgson to look into it.
  - d. Kirkbampton Overhead Electricity Network  
**Resolved:** - A letter has been received from United Utilities stating that they have no finance available to carry out replacing the overhead cabling with underground cables at this time. Clr. J. Graham received a letter in May 2008 from United Utilities stating they intend to replace defective poles and replace 3 strand cables with 1 single strand and replace transformer outside Silver Hill in the centre of the village..

- e. Highway Steward Update  
**Resolved:** - Information received on Highways Steward Duties and programme of when Steward is in our area.
7. **Planning:-**
- a. **Planning Application** – 2/2009/0074 – Erection of single storey dwelling adjacent to Rashfield, Kirkbampton  
**Resolved:** - Seen by Clr's Cunliffe and Cartner. No Objections.
- b. **Planning Application** – Works to trees at Kirkbampton Church  
**Resolved:-** No objections
- c. **Grant of Planning Permission (County Council)** - 2/08/9024 – Kirkbampton School  
**Resolved:** - Permission has been granted by Cumbria County Council for the above application.
8. **Finances:-** To agree finances as below
- a. **Balances:-**
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| Club a/c :-    | £2011.49 |
| Current a/c :- | £4694.90 |
- Note: Current a/c figure includes £905 holdings on behalf of Parish Plan Group.  
**Resolved:-** Agreed as above
- b. **Accounts to pay:-** To agree to pay the following:-
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| i Village Hall Rent                          | 2 hrs@ £8        | £16      |
| ii Clerks Wages–Half Year                    |                  | £650.00  |
| iii Clerks Expenses April 2008 to March 2009 |                  | £38.35** |
| iv Clr. M. Cartner                           | 66miles @ 58.7p  | £38.74   |
| v. CALC & LCR Subscription                   | £138.50 + £13.50 | £152.00  |
- Resolved:-** Agreed to payments as above. \*\*Note that to reduce the Petty Cash figure to £0 as per item 6.5 of the revised Financial Regulations, £15.61 of the Clerks expense claim above to be taken from Petty Cash with the remainder £22.74 taken from the Current Account.
- c. **Grant applications-** To discuss any Grant Applications
- i Mencap  
**Resolved:** - It was agreed not to grant fund the above.
- d. **Grants** – to agree to pay any Grants  
**Resolved:-** There are no grants to pay.
- e. **Financial Correspondence** –To discuss any financial correspondence
- i. Grasscutting tenders for next season –See Appendix A  
**Resolved:-** It was decided to accept the quote from Barry Colville, 22 Crindledyke Estate, Kingstown, Carlisle, CA6 4BZ for £985. subject to contacting Joan Routledge of Kirkbampton School for a reference.
9. **CALC Correspondence**
- a. **CALC Circular** – February & March  
**Resolved:-** Circular Distributed
10. **Forthcoming Meetings**
- a Workington Police Area Community Liaison Forum – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March,

Friends meeting House Keswick, 7.30 pm

**b** Land Registry Forum

**Resolved:** - Clerk to contact Capita legal department to see if we are obliged to register land. If so will County Council do it for us due to the fact we only hold the land in trust.

11. **General Correspondence:-**

a Local Council Review received

b Rural Focus Digest – This is Emailed Weekly but can only be forwarded to those with computers due to the format in which it is produced.

c Youth Support Newsletter – This is a large document and can only be forwarded to those with computers due to the format in which it is produced

d Kirkbampton Area Digital Switchover

**Resolved:-** Receipt of the above were noted

e Royal Garden Party – Letter received

**Resolved:-** It was decided to put Clr. M. Cunliffe's name forward

f CALC Selectives

**Resolved:** - The Clerk has been approached by Pat McDonald, Clerk of Orton Council Regarding running a course under the CALC Selectives scheme. She suggests either

1. Community Engagement
2. Planning Applications
3. Management of Green Spaces.

The idea is that the course is run at a venue and date to suit the delegates rather than those running the course. She may be able to get councilors etc on side from other adjoining Parishes e.g., Burgh, Thursby, Beaumont etc to make it cost effective.

**Resolved:** - The clerk is to contact Mrs. McDonald expressing an interest in the idea depending on which course is suggested.

g Should Annual Parish Review be distributed prior to Annual Parish meeting?

**Resolved:** - It was indicated in the last CALC Circular that the Annual Parish Review is circulated prior to the AGM. Should this be put in the Parish magazine or just on the Notice Boards? The Clerk is to contact Doris Smith regarding creating a flyer to insert in April's magazine.

h Cumbria Minerals and Waste Development Information

**Resolved:** - Information received. We have no areas that this appertains to in our parish.

i Clerk & Councils Direct

**Resolved:** - Receipt of above noted

j Town & Parish Standard

**Resolved:** - Receipt of above noted

k. Housing Needs Assessment - EMail

**Resolved:** - An Email was received explaining the Assessment survey from Alison Harrison of Allerdale who was unable to attend the meeting. The survey will take place in April 2009.

l. Cumbria Landscape Toolkit

**Resolved:** - A letter has been received regarding an online survey

m. Cumbria Calor Village of the Year - Letter

**Resolved:** - Application information received.

- m. Clerk & Councils Direct
- Resolved:** - Received
- 12. Items from County Councillor (Clr D Fairbairn)
    - a New local links office has opened in Wigton. Any intended projects can go through here to receive information.
    - b The Farmwatch Programme has rolled out in Allerdale. Apply and you receive a smart water kit. Apply via David Thompson Of Cumbria Police 08453300247
    - c For Floodline Information contact 08459881188
    - d A Fire Safety check is available 08003584777 There is a waiting time of 2 to 3 weeks for a survey.
    - e The road between Kirkbampton and Ploughlands is to be resurfaced as well as Ploughlands Cottage to High Ploughlands also The Flatt road is to be resurfaced.
  - 13. Items from Borough Councillor (Clr V Hodgson)
    - a Cumbria in Bloom information was given to Clr. M. Cartner
    - b Harry Dyke now promoted to Chief Exec Allerdale
    - c Council tax approx 2.9% Class D
  - 14. Items from Local Councillors
    - a Bench outside school requires treating. John Graham to look into it.