

Minutes of the Meeting of Denby Dale Parish Council held on Tuesday 2 June 2015 in the Civic Chamber, Council Offices, Skelmanthorpe

Members Present: Cllrs: William Jewitt, Polly Ann Flinders, Richard Brook, Graham Turner, John Cook, Ray Gott, Steven Slater, Lynn Hardy, Eddie Shaw, Cynthia Naylor, Kelvyn Waites, Susan Hellewell, Janet Depledge, Paula Kemp and Maggie Blanshard

Members Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllrs P Cassidy and J Summers

15/ 001 Chairman's Opening Remarks

Cllr Cook welcomed the councillors to the meeting. Due to the Clerk's illness, it was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Depledge took the minutes for the meeting.

15/002 Declarations of interest/disclosable pecuniary interests

There were no declarations of interest.

15/003 Open Session

No members of the public wished to speak.

15/004 Co-options onto the Council (item brought forward)

RESOLVED that Jackie Senior, Neil Denby and Brian Banawich be co-opted onto the Council.

15/005 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Cassidy and Summers.

RESOLVED that the reasons submitted be approved.

15/006 Admission of the Public

RESOLVED that no items needed to be taken in private.

15/007 Minutes of the last meeting

RESOLVED that the following minutes be approved with alteration that Cllr Depledge has moved to the Finance & General Purposes Committee.

- ACM – 19 May
- Plans Scrutiny – 26 May - not available

15/008 Ward Councillor's report

Cllr Turner gave a verbal report:

- Following the recent election, there was no overall control of the council.
- Cllr Turner was now responsible for Resources, Safer Stronger Communities and Leisure.
- The Library Consultation was proceeding and would hopefully go to Full Council in July.
- Work was to commence on the Museum Service
- A new initiative was underway regarding poverty issues via the Yorkshire and Humberside Low Pay Commission.
- Councillor Gott requested that congratulations were passed on to Cllr Jim Dodds following his election as Deputy Mayor. **RESOLVED** that the Clerk process this on behalf of the council.

RESOLVED that the report be received.

15/009 Report from Andy Wickham, Countryside Officer.

No report was received.

15/010 Clerk's Report

- Denby Dale Station – Discussions were in place with Naylor on how to progress this.
- Pie Dish – Cllr Slater reported that repairs were complete, and the dish was painted and finished.

- Litter bin – ordered. Cllr Shaw to liaise with Clerk. Joanne Robinson (Scissett Shopkeeper) had passed on thanks to the council for replacing the litter bin outside her shop.
- Emley Village Youth Club – Cllr Shaw reported that there would be an Open Day on Saturday 13 June. Cllrs Kemp and Cook were to attend. Denby Dale Rotary Club had assisted with painting. Cllr Gotts requested that some information be provided on how the council grant had been spent.

RESOLVED that the report be received.

15/011 New Bank Signatories

RESOLVED that Cllrs Jewitt and Cllr Flinders be added to the list of bank signatories to the Parish Council's bank account with the Co-operative Bank with the authority to deal with banking issues.

15/012 Kirklees Public Rights of Way Forum

It was reported that the Rights of Way Team at Kirklees was to be wound down, with volunteers now being sought to 'adopt' paths for maintenance. This would be discussed at the Walkers are Welcome AGM to be held on 30 June.

15/013 Heritage Working Party/EPiP Report

Cllr Brook reported that local history books were on sale in the Denby Dale bookshop.

Cllr Brook also reported that the Textile Museum in Skelmanthorpe would re-open for group visits.

RESOLVED that the report be received.

15/014 Churchfield Update

No further information available.

15/015 Rural District Committee Update

Cllr Brook reported that no meetings had been held.

15/016 Skelmanthorpe Library Building

An email had been received from C Noble at Kirklees regarding the sub-letting issue raised at the previous meeting. Cllr Brook suggested an amendment to the agreement to clarify this issue. Cllr Brook also suggested a detailed review of the agreement at the next F&GP committee meeting. Cllr Turner confirmed that there would be no sub letting of the library space following the transfer of the building.

15/017 Denby Dale Community Project Update

It was reported that unfortunately the Big Lottery Fund had failed. A report from Cllr Dodds would be circulated to council. Trustees were now looking at alternatives. Cllr Brook suggested that the parish council discuss their financial commitment to the project and would raise this issue at the next F&GP Committee meeting.

RESOLVED that the council's commitment to the project be discussed at the next F&GP Committee meeting to be held on 16 June.

15/018 Matters Raised by Councillors

Proposal of chemist in Clayton West – A discussion was held around a proposal by a member of the public to open a chemist in Clayton West which was requesting council support but had not yet reached the planning stage. Cllr Brook proposed a motion that a written submission was sent to the council requesting support so that this could be discussed more fully with appropriate knowledge. **RESOLVED** that the clerk request a written submission for support with full information provided for the council to consider. This motion was passed.

An amendment to the proposal that this issue should not come to council but should go through the normal planning process was rejected.

Parish Newsletter – **RESOLVED** that Cllr Hardy investigate the patchy distribution of the newsletter further and the Clerk discuss this with the distributor.

15/019 To approve YLCA Provisions of Service Agreement

RESOLVED to accept and approve the YLCA Provisions of Service Agreement

15/020 Finance Matters

Orders for Payment - None

15/021 July Council Meeting Items:

- 13 amp Power socket near the War memorial installation
- Litter at the back of the council offices (Cllrs Cook & Slater)

15/022 Dates of next meetings:

- Finance & General Purposes Committee – 16 June
- Plans Scrutiny Committee – 30 June
- Full Council – 7 July

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CHAIRMAN