

# Tankersley Parish Council

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## **Minutes of the Meeting of Tankersley Parish Council held on Monday 15 March 2010**

In attendance were: Mrs Helen Reckless (Chair), Mr P Simpkin (Vice Chair), Mr Jock Jones, Mr A Belk, Mr R Garforth, Mrs Kate Dodd, a local resident as an observer and Mrs H E Charlesworth (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence were received from, Mr Terry Woods, Mr Paul Reckless
2. The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 February 2010 were circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read and the chair was authorised to sign them.

### **3. Matters Arising**

3.1. Planning Issues. The Clerk confirmed to the Council the appeal by Planning inspectorate, for the warehouse development at Plot b DCUK, Wentworth Industrial Park, Tankersley, will be Weds 12 May 2010. To be held in the Welfare Hall, as arranged by Planning Dept and TCA. Discussion continued around who would/could attend the appeal. It was agreed that Richard Garforth would put together a flyer to be distributed to all parishioners informing them of date and time etc, also to be included in Barnsley Chronicle editorial

3.2 The Gate Inn Site, Clerk confirmed that the original planning application was for the site of the building and car park only. Any variations would need an amended application; special circumstances would be required in order to develop beyond the boundary onto the greenbelt.

3.3 It was noted that Planning Permission has recently been approved for the mixed use development at Hangmanstone Depot, Sheffield Rd, Birdwell. Barnsley.

### **4. Financial Matters:**

<b>a) Expenditure</b>	i) Clerk's salary - March 2010	£ 264.93
	ii) Clerk's Expenses – Feb '10	£ 37.39
	ii)YLCA, Annual Membership	£ 375.00
	iii)BMBC Removal of Bonfire Spoil	£ 96.00
	iv)BMBC, Spring Bulbs, Peace Garden	£ 230.00
<b>b) Income</b>	i) Interest on Deposit A/c – Jan '10	£ 7.57
	ii) Advertising	£ 50.00

## Current and Deposit Account Statements

As at 28 Feb 2010

Current Account	£ 345.34
Deposit Account	<u>£ 12,394.94</u>
TOTAL	<u>£ 12,740.28</u>

### d)Other Financial Matters

Parish Precept, Cllr Paul Simpkin summarised the calculations provided to the PC from Borough finance Dept. It was noted that the percentage increase for the Parish Precept was recorded at 1.9 %.

### 5. Planning Applications

a) Application 2010/0205, Erection of a single storey front extension to dwelling. 2 Carr Lane, Tankersley, Barnsley. S75 3BE No Observations or objections.

### 6.Parish Plan

Newsletter, Cllr Richard Garforth reported on the progress so far. Several articles have been received including TPEG, Golf Society etc. Noted

Website, No issues, the website continues to develop.

VDS. No further developments, Clerk to liaise with photographer for an update on progress of photographs. Agreed

Enhancing the Village. The scarecrow competition was discussed, Cllr Kate Dodds volunteered to become involved with this project. Further progress to be reported at the next meeting.

Parish Plan. The Clerk tabled a copy of the Parish Plan issued in 2003/04. It was agreed that the PC should re visit the plan and review and agree action points for the forthcoming year. Cllr Richard Garforth will scan and make copies available for next meeting, to be retained as an agenda item and reviewed.

### 7. Group Reports

**Tankersley Community Association**, no representative able to attend the last meeting. Cllr Richard Garforth was able to confirm that no action is required with regard to Health & Hygiene certificate, Richard will report his findings to TCA at their next meeting.

**Crime and Safety.Partnership** Next meeting is Thursday 18 March 2010. Sgt Darren Taylor was in attendance at the last meeting (new sergeant) Issues: youths congregating, still being policed. Increased car crime is now declining. Cllr Helen Reckless (Chair) asked Paul Simpkin to raise the

issues of speeding vehicles in the area of Carr Lane, and to request the installation of S I D as this was advised at the recent rolling roadshow.

**TPEG**, work has been carried out planting Primulas at the Welfare Hall garden, TPEG putting an article together for Parish Newsletter, Potter Holes. Concerns have been expressed regarding the work currently being undertaken by the Electricity Company, as the verges have been badly damaged. Noted.

**Tourism Focus Group** A working party is to be set up to arrange funding for work on developing a new brochure. The group will be looking to receive donations, in the region of £10 - £25. Noted

**Forge Partnership.** It was reported that a successful Opening event was held on 12 March 2010 for the Rockingham Community Hall.

**Impact Housing Team**, Berneslai Homes walkabout. Clerk summarised points raised at the recent walkabout mainly issues of Dog fouling, litter, and footpath clearance.

## **8. Parish Council Vacancy**

Regretfully Cllr Helen Reckless read a letter of resignation received by Cllr Mrs Thelma Brotton. It was acknowledged that Thelma had been a valued member of the PC for many years. (Clerk to check exact years of service) It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Thelma, Thanking her for her service and invite to attend a brief presentation at the next meeting. Clerk to arrange gifts, a presentation bouquet and gift voucher £25, Agreed.

Following the resignation of Mrs Thelma Brotton, Clerk to check with BMBC, Electoral Services if it is necessary to advertise again, despite already posting latest casual vacancy advertisement. Agreed.

The Clerk confirmed that following the posting of the latest vacancy, Electoral Services had confirmed that they had received no call for a by election. Therefore Tankersley Parish Council would be able to co opt to the current vacancy as soon as appropriate.

**9.ARG, A6135** No further meetings have taken place. It was confirmed that a university student is studying this location. The student is putting together a video which she will pass on to the group, possibly to be used on the website. Still awaiting some data and info requested via freedom of information act. Noted that yet another accident occurred on this road.

**10. Motorcross.**It was confirmed that a meeting had taken place to collate and present all correspondence received thus far concerning the Motorcross site. and the progress of this development. Clerk to e mail a copy of progress to all Councillors). It was proposed that a meeting with the Council leader should be arranged, as previously discussed. Clerk to liaise with Council leaders secretary, Agreed that Chair and vice chair, and Clerk to attend. As a starting point, Tues/ Fri preferred. It was also confirmed that events are still taking place at the site, albeit,

unofficial events. Cllr Richard Garforth referred the Clerk to a useful futurehandbook Guide he had obtained, Clerk to order on behalf of Parish Council for reference. Agreed.

**11. Pic Nic Benches** Cllr Jock Jones tabled copies of some information regarding new picnic tables which would replace the 2 benches which were removed last year. After discussion it was agreed that TPC would like to replace the pic nic benches but would want to consider matched funding. Possibly from EPIP and CSF. Based on previous spend costs should be approx £2,200. Clerk to speak to Jo Birch, BMBC, Parks Services re costs. Also to pass on details to Cllr Terry Woods who will apply to EPIP for grant application. It was agreed to go ahead with the purchase of 2 x metal benches if matched funding can be met.

## **12. Correspondence**

- a) Letter from Tina Moores re Dog Fouling in local area. Clerk to pass on to ERU
- b) Pestforce Yorkshire, Letter. Noted
- c) BMBC, Letter re LDF Core Strategy Consultation. Noted
- d) YLCA, White Rose Update. Noted

## **Lates**

## **13. Any Other Business**

a) It was noted that increased noise levels had been occurring at Company shop, New Rd, although not out of unsociable hours. Also noted the removal of a large tree on the main drive way.

b) Complaints have been received re the grass verges in the area surrounding the school. Clerk to speak to Highways. Agreed.

c) Tar has been left dumped close to the area in which Highway maintenance was recently carried out, Tankersley Lane, close to motorway bridge. Suggested ask for a site visit to point out several concerns to Highways Dept. Agreed.

d) The Avenue, a resident has complained after catching her coat on the hedges at the top of The Avenue. Clerk to raise with Berneslai Homes. Agreed.

e) Cllr Helen Reckless tabled information re Parks equipment, to retain for future reference. Clerk to file

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.18, Date of next meeting, Monday 19 April 2010.