MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF MOLESCROFT HELD ON 24 MAY 2007 AT THE MOLESCROFT PAVILION

PRESENT Councillor M. Hildyard (Chairman of the Parish Council), Mr D. Metcalf (Parish Clerk), Councillor D. Bird (ERYC) and 14 parishioners (including members of the parish council).

The Chairman opened the meeting and it was agreed the Mr Metcalf be invited to record the minutes

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting held on 27 April 2006 were accepted as a true record of that meeting.

2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The chairman reported that the council had considered 57 planning applications applications had been objected to including 42 Copandale Road, Swiss Cottage/Harewood, Elm Close and a wind farm at Hall Farm, Routh. With the exception of the Swiss Cottage application, which had been approved by ERYC on re-submission, all objections had been successful.

Litter and graffiti had been a constant theme throughout the year and the council had consulted with Longcroft School over new measures and had requested a greater police presence in the area. Liaison with the police would continue.

The chairman reported on Councillor Brown's efforts to secure funding for a childrens' play area and took the opportunity to mention the 80's Disco at the Memorial Hall on the following weekend.

The council's efforts to secure bridleway/footpath status for Scrubwood Lane were outlined, as were the council's representations regarding the footpath and pedestrian crossing at Sisterbeck.

The chairman informed the meeting about the appointment of a new caretaker (Mr Tony King) and said that users had passed compliments on the pavilion's cleanliness and the friendly service of Mr King.

The chairman also updated the meeting on the situation with reported building on the grounds of Beverley RUFC and the planned park and ride on the north side of Beverley. In relation to the former, no planning applications have been submitted and ERYC have promised to consult if one is. In relation to the park and ride, ERYC have informed the parish council that none of the potential sites are within Molescroft boundaries.

The council had requested additional dog warden patrols in the parish, especially in the Rosemary Walk area, and would continue to monitor the situation.

Finally, the chairman reported on the current situation in relation to the joint Town Plan

3. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

In answer to a question about the amount of precept and what it was spent on, the chairman informed the meeting that the precept was essentially the same as in the previous year and gave overview details of council spending on revenue items and capital projects. He said he would supply a personal reply to Mr P. Robinson, 36 The Croft, about the precept level.

Concerns were expressed by several parishioners about vandalism in the Woodhall Way area and around the playing field. Speeding on Woodhall Way was also mentioned as a problem. The Chairman said that he would ensure liaison with the police took place about these issues.

The state of the margins around the playing field was also raised. The Chairman informed the meeting that the caretaker was addressing this problem and new heavy duty equipment was being purchased to assist him. He would look into the question of ownership of the chain link fence at the rear of houses in The Croft.

Following a discussion about litter, the chairman said the council would get in touch with ERYC with a view to supplying additional litter bins in the St Leonard's Road/Woodhall Way area.

A discussion then took place about the parish council allotments on Malton Road. A request was made for the hedge to cut back to 6ft and for holders to be asked to help maintain it at this height. The chairman asked the parish clerk to arrange this and to write to allotment holders as suggested enclosing a copy of their tenancy agreements.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE CHAIRMAN THANKED EVERYONE FOR THEIR ATTENDANCE AND CLOSED THE MEETING AT 8.40 PM

SIGNED	CHAIRMAN OF	PARISH COUNCIL
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