

# **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MOLESCROFT PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 PM THURSDAY 21 JUNE 2007 AT THE MOLESCROFT PAVILION**

## **PRESENT**

Councillor M. Hildyard (Chairman), Councillors K. Farrow, M. Fleming, B. Gregory, B. Hanneman, A. Ingham, P. Maguire, P. Ranson, P. Smith

Before the meeting began the clerk introduced Councillor Malcolm 'Mac' Fleming and Councillor Peter Smith to the Chairman and council members. They were welcomed by the Chairman and members.

## **POLICE PRESENTATION**

PC Phil Pickering, a member of the Beverley Rural Policing Team attended in the absence of Inspector Woodhead and PC Hughes and spoke about the role of the community policing team. He informed the meeting that Inspector Woodhead had been promoted on a temporary basis and would be absent for the next 6 months at least. His place had been taken by Acting Inspector Farrow. PC Pickering described the procedures under the Police Reform Act for obtaining S.59 warnings for anti-social use of motor vehicles and Acceptable Behaviour Contracts (ABC), breach of which can lead to the imposition of an Anti -Social Behaviour Order by the court (ASBO). Basically, the police need people to keep ringing in whenever they witness anti-social behaviour in order to build up files of evidence against persistent offenders who are well known to the local police. Where vehicles were concerned, registration numbers should be provided whenever possible. PC Pickering was made fully aware of members and residents concerns about damage in the area (instances were given), noisy nuisance motor cycles, speeding on Woodhall Way and general disorder. He said that he would convey these concerns to Acting Inspector Farrow and PC Hughes. All instances of damage, no matter how minor, should be reported to the police so they can build up a picture of crime and disorder in the area. He was asked about getting a Dispersal Order to deal with gangs of youths gathering outside Molescroft shops on an evening. PC Pickering said it might be possible, but it would require clear evidence of frequent disorder. He reiterated the need for the police to be informed of all acts of disorder and anti-social behaviour. PC Pickering was thanked for his visit.

**Action:** clerk to place suitable notice on website and invite Acting Inspector Farrow and PC Hughes to the next council meeting.

## **40. APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors K. Agerskow and L. Riching sent their apologies. There were no declarations of interest.

## **41. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated and were approved as a true record of proceedings. They were signed by the chairman.

## **42. MATTERS ARISING**

**33(i). Leylandii hedge:** The clerk informed the meeting that he had not been able to establish contact with Mark Feather but had arranged for another local company to give a quote for the work. He was asked to get a second quote before proceeding.

**Action:** clerk to deal as above

**34. Planters on Parish Boundaries:** The clerk said that he had spoken to Helen Ball, the clerk at Beverley Town Council, and she was too busy with the Town Guide to attend to this matter at the present. She said she would re-establish contact when she returned from holiday later in July.

**Action:** clerk to keep Chairman and councillors informed.

**35. Scrubwood Bridleway:** The clerk informed members that he was continuing to pursue ERYC officers with a view to setting up a site meeting. He described his abortive attempts to date.

**39. Special expenses:** The clerk reported that there was no indication in a fairly extensive Special Expenses file of any indication that ERYC or any particular party had promised to end payment of Special Expenses. The Chairman said that he thought the matter was referred to in a letter addressed to him from Councillor Parnaby, leader of the Conservative Group. He would check in his files and report back to the next meeting.

**Action:** Chairman as above

**43. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

Accounts were due and were approved for payment in accordance with the schedule presented to the meeting and attached to these minutes.

**44. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

A schedule of planning applications received was circulated. After appropriate discussion, **resolutions** were made as follows- all applications recommended for **approval**

Molescroft Nursing Home      Single storey rear extension for laundry  
30 Molescroft Road

6 Harewood                              Single storey front extension

10 Kempton Close                      Single storey front & rear extension

44 A Hillcrest Drive                      Single storey rear extension

23 Woodhall Way                        First floor extension

22 Crawshaw Avenue Rear      conservatory

**45. PARISH CENTRE/SCHOOL ISSUES**

Councillor Hanneman had nothing new to report. The next meeting will be held on 5 July. The Chairman queried the entry for 'repairs and maintenance' on the accounts which were presented to the last meeting. He thought maintenance was the responsibility of the school/ERYC.

**Action:** Councillor Hanneman to check and report back.

**46. PAVILION AND PLAYING FIELD**

A discussion was held about the funding of the children's play area during which Councillor Farrow raised the question of whether the council should pay for it themselves if external funds could not be raised. After further discussion the Chairman said that a decision on this should be reached at the next meeting.

**Action:** the clerk to liaise with Councillor Brown to determine the exact current position with funding applications and check on the level of funding available in council accounts. To report first to Chairman, then to next meeting.

**47. MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT**

Prior to the meeting the clerk had circulated detailed discussion papers on this topic. The Chairman started the discussion by making the point that in his experience the existing system had worked well and we should be wary of unnecessary change. Councillor Gregory said that the process needed to be transparent and members should not be disadvantaged in comparison with members of the public. Councillor Maguire said that he didn't have a problem with members having a prejudicial interest provided they declared it and did not take part in the vote. After further discussion on the points raised in the discussion paper, Councillor Maguire **proposed** that the council adopt the new Model Code of Conduct including paragraph 12(2) and amend Standing Orders accordingly. The proposal was **seconded** by Councillor Gregory. After a vote it was **unanimously resolved** to adopt the new Model Code of Conduct including paragraph 12(2) and to amend Standing Orders accordingly.

**Action:** clerk for attention as above and to present amended SO to next meeting.

**48. COLD CALLING ZONES**

The Chairman said he had been made aware of an attempt by ERYC Trading Standards officers to set up a NO COLD CALLING ZONE in Burney Close without making contact with the Parish Council first. After discussion the clerk was asked to make enquiries about the process and report back to the next meeting.

**Action:** clerk as above.

**49. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Letter from ERYC inviting nominations of Parish Council representatives onto Standards Committee.

**Agreed.** No nomination from Molescroft PC.

2. Letter from ERYC regarding No Smoking signs in enclosed bus shelters in parish. Councillor Farrow can provide temporary signs.

**Action:** clerk to arrange display in pavilion and shelters, and to order suitable permanent signs for shelters.

3. Letter from Humber and Wolds Rural Community Council inviting nominations of Parish Council representatives onto HWRCC Board.

**Agreed.** No nomination from Molescroft PC.

4. ERNLLCA course leaflets. Previously circulated to all members.

**Agreed.** Clerk to retain file and members to contact him to book courses as required. Council will pay fees.

5. Letter from ERYC requiring completion of Register of Interest forms. Forms circulated to members. To be completed and returned to clerk before or at next meeting.

**Action:** clerk to collate and submit copies to ERYC.

6. Letter from Dutton Moore returning payroll work cheque. They will submit invoice in March 2008. **Noted.**

7. Letter from ERYC re nominations for Beverley area forum. Councillor Richings to continue as Molescroft PC representative. Others members informed regarding nomination/voting procedures. **Noted.**

8. Letter from Humberside Police Authority regarding consultation processes and reports on policing issues. Reports and information on consultation can be obtained on the Police Authority website:

<http://www.humberside-pa.org.uk> - go to "Our Committees 2005/2006 and 2006/2007 - Consultation and Partnership - Agendas, Minutes, Reports". **Noted.**

9. A batch of e-mails relating to correspondence with Inspector Woodhead was circulated to members for their information. Members are urged to communicate all policing concerns to PC Chris Hughes, the Molescroft Community Team manager, either by phone at Beverley Police Station or by e-mail at [Christopher.Hughes@humberside.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Christopher.Hughes@humberside.pnn.police.uk) **Noted.**

## **50. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

Concerns were raised by several members about Amber Driving School vehicles using Scrubwood Lane and Copandale Road in particular during busy 'going to school' times. Three such vehicles had been seen conducting 3 point turns/reversing at 8.30 am on the morning of the meeting. By definition, the drivers are not competent to drive on public roads and pose a definite safety risk to other road users, young people especially. Questions were asked about previous undertakings given by the Commandant; whether a risk assessment had

been conducted; and what hours have been specified in the contract with privately employed instructors.

**Action:** clerk to enquire into previous correspondence and to write to Commandant seeking clarification and assurances about our concerns. Copies to local MP and ward members.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS FIXED FOR 7.30 PM THURSDAY 19 JULY 2007 IN THE MOLESCROFT PAVILION**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.40 pm.

**CHAIRMAN**.....

**DATED**.....

**MOLESCROFT PARISH COUNCIL**

**SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS MADE AT MEETING 21 JUNE 2007**

1.	D. Metcalf - salary	£438.58
2.	A. King - salary	£488.60
3.	HM Revenue and Customs	£361.77

(PAYE and NI)

4.	D. Metcalf - petty cash	£21.08
5.	A. King - expenses for purchase of timber to repair boundary fence	£13.72
6.	Mr Paul Clark - services rendered for maintenance and cleaning pavilion during caretaker's leave	£101.50
7.	Npower - pavilion electricity bill to 25 May	£318.29
8.	F.G. Adamson and son for supply of Honda Bushcutter strimmer	£356.00
9.	Beverley Lawnmower Services - repair and servicing of lawnmower	£131.93
10.	Shaw and Sons Limited - supply of 2 copies of The Parish Councillor's Guide	£29.00