



Steeton-with-Eastburn Parish Council

**The Minutes of the Meeting held at the Bowling Pavilion, Steeton,
Wednesday 9 January 2008 at 7.30p.m.**

Present: Councillor Dr. Harding (Chairman), Councillors Mrs. Blagden, Mrs Emmott, Hargreaves, Mrs Lear, Mrs Pickard, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Townsend and Weller.

In attendance: Mrs. C. Brown, Clerk, 2 Members of the public, 1 Member of the Press

08/01 Apologies
Apologies were sanctioned from Councillors Miss Moorhouse and Mullen.
Apologies were noted from Councillors Kelly and Mallinson, Ward Councillors

08/02 Declaration of Interest
None

08/03 Minutes
Resolved- That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 5 December 2007 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
The clerk's report on action taken and information received on items discussed at the meeting held 5 December 2007:

Minute Number	Action/Information
	Note: I have had a reply from the Chairman, Steeton Bowling Club confirming that the number of keyholders will be restricted to 15 and the details of all keyholders will be provided to the clerk at the start of the bowling season.
07/247	Co-Option of a member to fill the casual vacancy: The Clerk wrote to the unsuccessful applicant thanking him for his interest. The Electoral services unit was informed of Councillor Pickard's co-option and her Register of Interests has been sent to the Monitoring Officer.
07/250	TRO on Market Street and School Street: The clerk informed the Headteacher, Steeton Primary School of the council's decision.
07/252	Play provision issues, Eastburn Playing Field: The clerk sent a letter regarding the withdrawal of support by Parks and Landscapes Department to the Leader of Bradford Council. The clerk has received an acknowledgement of receipt of the letter from the Leader's office.
07/252	Bradford Community Environment Project: The clerk confirmed that the council would like B CEP to progress the development of Eastburn Playing Field. Karen Elliot, B CEP, will attend the Neighbourhood Forum meeting to outline her organisation's plans for the site.
07/258	Bowling Pavilion, Electrical Report: The clerk will ask the electrical contractor to carry out the work at his earliest convenience.
07/267	Footpath surface on Halsteads Way: The surface is within safety tolerance figures but will be monitored. White lines on Mill Street and High Street: These will be repainted during the next lining contract. Barrows lane: The enforcement officer will look in to asking the developers to resurface the footway. The faulty street lamps were reported to street lighting. Manhole at the top of Green Lane will be repaired. Airevalley Recycling: The manager could not confirm that there had been a collection the week commencing 12 November or give any reason as to why the helpline was not answered as he was away for that period. He will look in to the complaint. I can confirm that the helpline was not manned but on leaving a message the manager returned my call the same day.

Update:
Minute Number 07/199, Land at Ash Grove: The Clerk will clarify the situation regarding access rights with the council's solicitor.
Minute Number 07/249, British Transport Police: Sergeant Richard Price will attend the February parish council meeting.

08/04 Police Issues
i) Crime figures for November 2007: Burglary 1, Criminal Damage 3, Anti-Social Behaviour 17, Violent crime 1, Vehicle Crime 1, Youth Nuisance 0.
Resolved:

ii) Police Tasking Meeting

Councillor Mrs. Blagden reported on the last tasking meeting held 6 December 2007

The following concerns were discussed at the meeting:

- o Speedwatch has been carried out and is ongoing
 - o Patrols are continuing on Chapel Lane
 - o There have been some egg throwing incidents. Members need to report any other incident to Councillor Blagden who will inform the police.
 - o PCSO Blood will look in to 30mph stickers on wheelie bins.
 - o Noise from the club is ongoing but everything that can be done is being done.
- iii) Reports for communication with the police at the next Tasking Meeting on 31 January 2008
- A Land Rover was stolen from a local farm but the police did not attend the scene.
 - The regularity and timing of speedwatch will be requested
 - Enquiries will be made as to whether the police post box is emptied regularly enough
 - There was an accident on Thornhill Rd on 27 December 2007 which local residents think is due to inconsiderate parking of cars on the bend on Thornhill Road. The police will be asked to look at this situation again.

08/05

Transport and Traffic Issues

i) Request for a footway on Sutton Lane: The reply from David Trick, Highways Department, was discussed.

It was noted that the path mentioned by Highways between Knott Lane and Sycamore Close is totally unsuitable for parents with children in buggies.

Resolved: To contact Highways and confirm that this stretch of road is deregulated as stated, ask for better signage regarding pedestrians and the speed limit, for improved street lighting to be considered and the provision of traffic calming measures to be reconsidered.

08/06

Youth Issues

Councillor Mrs Thompson reported on the meeting held on 18 December 2007 when she met with young people.

Two sessions have been provisionally booked in the church hall: Wednesday 12 and 19 March 7.00 to 9.00p.m. These sessions are dependent on Youth Worker support which has yet to be confirmed by Abina Dorgan-Smith. The sessions will be advertised as widely as possible when this confirmation is received.

08/07

Parish Council Liaison Meeting:

i) Report of the meeting held 12 December 2007: A written report was accepted from Councillor Mullen:

- o There was a presentation on climate change
- o Salman Mather reported that the positions of membership of the Standards Committee will be circulated shortly.
- o There was information from YLCA on Parish Polls.

ii) Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007:

Resolved: The council will make representations to the government when further advice is received from YLCA.

iii) Hosting the Parish Council Liaison Meeting on 20 February 2008 at Eastburn Junior and Infant School:

Resolved: To make an allowance of £50 to pay for refreshments for the meeting.

Councillors Emmott and Townend offered to organise the refreshments.

08/08

Donation to Steeton Cricket Club

Resolved: To donate £150 to the promotion of junior cricket at Steeton Cricket Club.

08/09

Provision of a litter bin in front of Grange Terrace, Main Road, Eastburn

Resolved: To request the Cleansing Department, Bradford Council to install a litter bin in front of 12 Grange Terrace, Eastburn at a cost of £300.

08/10

Planting of Oak Trees

Resolved: To ask Forest of Bradford to plant oak trees in Eastburn Playing Field, Keighley Road Recreation Ground and Chapel Road Recreation Ground.

08/11

Neighbourhood Forum Meeting

Resolved: To note that the next Neighbourhood Forum Meeting is on Tuesday 15 January at 7.00 p.m. at Steeton Methodist Hall.

There was a suggestion that the council nominate John Astin as an unsung hero at the meeting.

08/12

Budget 2008/9

Resolved: To accept the draft budget (Appendix 1)

Resolved: That the Chairman sign the precept request as detailed on the budget paper and this be forwarded to the Finance Department, Bradford Council.

08/13

Finance

i) Quarterly Cash Book:

Resolved: To accept the quarterly cash book (Appendix 2) and agree the account balances at 31 December 2007

Community Account				Opening Balance	£1,192.33
Date	Cheque/Reference	Payee	Details	Receipts	Payments
3 December 2007	BACS	HM Government	War Bond Dividend	£17.50	
17 December 2007	100567	R. Lambert	Repairs St. Stephen's		£253.29*

			Road		
				Closing Balance 31.12.07	£956.54

*This amount agreed at the meeting held 7 November 2007, Minute No. 07/223 iii and payment requested prior to the January meeting.

Business Base Rate Tracker Account				Opening Balance	£35,032.56
Date	Cheque/Reference	Payee	Details	Receipts	Payments
3 December 2007			Interest	£362.57	
				Closing Balance 31.12.07	£35,395.13

ii) Accounts for payment

Resolved- That the accounts below be paid and the account balances be noted.

Community Account				Opening Balance	£956.54
Date	Cheque/Reference	Payee	Details	Receipts	Payments
2 January 2008	Internet		Transfer from BBRT A/C	£2,000.00	
9 January 2008	100568	Kay Jay Print Ltd	Printing of December newsletter		£222.00
9 January 2008	100569	Vision ICT Ltd	Website hosting 2008		£258.50
9 January 2008	100570	Walker Office Products Ltd	Storage boxes for questionnaires, stationery		£30.79
9 January 2008	100571	C. Brown	Backpay (pay award 2007/8) £122.99, Postage November & December £15.07, Newsquest delivery of December newsletter £25.52		£163.58
9 January 2008	100572	Inland Revenue Only	Tax & N.I.		£119.20
9 January 2008	100573	SLCC	Annual subscription*		£102.00
31 January 2008	Standing Order	C. Brown	Salary		£507.52
				Closing Balance	£1552.95

* The subscription notice arrived after publication of the agenda and is due for payment by 1 February 2008.

Business Base Rate Tracker Account				Opening Balance	£35,395.13
Date	Cheque/Reference	Payee	Details	Receipts	Payments
2 January 2008	Internet		Transfer to Community A/C		£2,000.00
				Closing Balance	£33,395.13

08/14 Correspondence-(For information and inform future agendas.)

- Christmas cards from West Yorkshire Police, Neighborhood Policing Team, Eastburn Junior and Infant School, Steeton Primary School, Keighley Town Council, Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Bradford. (Circulation envelope)
- Revised Code of Conduct: Training presentation (Circulated to members), Guide for members May 2007 (Already circulated) and Pocket Guide (Already circulated)
- Education Department, Bradford Council: Consultation on changes to admission numbers and priority areas
- Parish Councils and Climate Change Presentation (Circulation envelope)
- CE Electric: Leaflets entitled 'Preparing for Mother Nature'
- Bradford Council: Bradford Kickstart bulletin (Circulation envelope)
- Bradford Council, Children Matter (Circulation envelope)
- YRCC Parish Government Conference (Circulation envelope)
- SELRAP update (Circulation envelope)
- Keighley Area Committee agenda 3 January 2008, Minutes 15 November 2007 (Circulation envelope)
- Eastburn Junior & Infant School Newsletter (Circulation envelope)

08/15 City of Bradford Council Minutes and Reports
Councillors reported the following observations:
Nothing to report

08/16 Planning Matters:

i) Local Development Framework: Documents Received: None

ii) Local Development Framework Comments: None

iii) Planning Applications to be considered:

a) 07/09783/FUL, Replacement of garage and ground floor extension kitchen and first floor en-suite at Eastburn Post Office, Main Road, Eastburn.

Resolved: To recommend approval

b) 07/09911/FUL, 12 apartments block, 6 apartments and 4 terrace house block at Longlands, Skipton Road, Steeton

Resolved: Recommend refusal on the following grounds:

- The proposed number of units on the site, at a density figure of 63 per hectare, is excessive

- o There is inadequate parking provision on the site, especially for the 6 apartment block to the rear of the site which has 1 space per unit and only 1 visitor space for all 6 apartments.
- o There is insufficient amenity space for this number of dwellings
- o The potential increase in the number of vehicles entering and exiting the site on to an already congested road could be detrimental to road safety
- o The mains sewerage system in the local area is already overloaded with backing up to properties in the Thornhikll Road area. Councillors are concerned that even with on site balancing measures the impact of this large development will be detrimental to an already overloaded system.

Councillors Pickard and Thompson will attend the Area Planning Committee if the Planning Department recommends approval of the application.

c) 07/10044/FUL, Ground floor extension and conservatory at 23 Styveton Way, Steeton

Resolved: To support the decision of the Planning Officer

d) 07/10169/FUL, Attic conversion and rear dormer at 11 Currer Walk, Steeton

Resolved: To support the decision of the Planning Officer

iv) Planning decisions to be noted:

Granted:

a)07/05419/FUL, Detached double garage at 35 East Parade, Steeton

b) 07/05743/FUL, Single storey extension at 27 Ings Road, Steeton

c) 07/07171/FUL, Single storey gate house at Royal Mills, 20 Steeton Grove, Steeton

d) 07/07499/FUL, Conservatory at 35 Parkway, Steeton

Refused:

a) 07/06143/FUL, Escape window at 3 Ghyll Close, Steeton

b) 07/06904/FUL, Conservatory at Cobbydale View, Whitley Head, Steeton

v) Appeal Notification:

a)07/00211/APPFUL(07/05715/FUL) Conservatory at Meadowcroft, 3 Nutt Head Cottages, Whitley Head, Steeton.

08/17

Member's Community Reports (For information and inform future agendas)

- The old lighting columns on Green Lane need removing. Light No 6 on Lyon Road is not working.
- Williams Drive: A resident has requested an additional street light. This request will be forwarded to Street Lighting.
- There are small deep pot holes in the road between the end of Aireburne Avenue and Aireburn Garage.
- St Stephen's Road: The Keighley Road end has not been resurfaced. The clerk will query this with Mr Lambert.
- There is a large pothole outside 38/39 Elmsley Street
- Dog fouling hotspots will be reported to the Dog Warden by Councillor Thompson.
- Enquiries will be made as to whether the large banner to the entrance of the Millennium Business Park can be removed.
- Barrows Lane: Troughing stones to divert water in to the guillies have not been put in place and only one grate has been put in to the stretch of road alongside the new development.
- Barrows Lane: The road markings need repainting.
- A hedge at the corner of Queen Street and Skipton Road needs cutting back.
- Chapel Lane: The provision of traffic calming by the surgery was queried.
- Chapel Road recreation Ground: The large stones to prevent cars parking on the grass need replacing.
- Beck alongside the Corn Mill Green. IParks and Landscapes Department agreed to clean this out during the winter programme. The clerk will ask for a date when this will be completed.

To note the date of the next meeting:Wednesday 6 February 2008, 7.30 p.m. at Steeton Bowling Pavilion.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.27p.m.

Chairman..... Date: 6 February 2008