



Steeton-with-Eastburn Parish Council

The Minutes of the Meeting held at the Eastburn Junior and Infant School, Wednesday 5 September 2007 at 7.30p.m.

- Present: Councillor Dr. Harding (Chairman), Councillors Mrs. Blagden, Mrs. Emmott, Hargreaves, Mrs Lear, Miss Moorhouse, Mullen, Mrs Thompson and Weller.
- In attendance: Mrs. C. Brown, Clerk
Councillor A. Mallinson, M. Kelly and A. Naylor, Ward Councillors (to 9.00p.m.)
5 Members of the public (to 8.30p.m)
1 Member of the press
- 07/168 Apologies
Apologies were accepted from Councillor Mrs Townend.
- 07/169 Declaration of Interest
None
- 07/170 Minutes
Resolved- That the Minutes of the Council Meetings held on 1 August 2007, 10 August 2007 and 31 August 2007 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
Update on matters discussed at the meeting held 1 August 2007
The clerk's update report is appended to these minutes. (Appendix 1)
Pursuant to Minute 07/162, House on Station Road:Councillor Mallinson reported that he had visited the neighbours and is looking in to powers available to address the situation.
- 07/171 Police Issues
i) Crime figures for July 2007 were not available as the website has not been updated.
ii) Police Tasking Meeting
Councillor Mrs. Blagden reported on the last tasking meeting held 16 August 2007 which was attended by Councillor Miss Moorhouse:
The following concerns were reported to the meeting:
 - Drugs problem at a location in Steeton: The police are aware of the problem and are dealing with this
 - Speeding cars on Elmsley Street: Number plates have been noted
 - Damage to vehicles on Stone Grove and Steeton Grove: details taken and the areas patrolled
 - Damage to school gates and playground safety surfacing-there will be liaison with the council to move a bench away from the school's boundary wall
 - Anti-social behaviour in Keighley Road Recreation Ground: The police have threatened to remove the globe shelter if this persists.
 - Speeding on Barrows Lane, High St and Mill Lane: Speedwatch has been deployed
 - HGVs travelling through the villages: company details have been taken and the police are making enquiries but were waiting for the road-works in Crosshills to finish before following this up.
 - Youth nuisance in Eastburn: the playing field and Sun Street are being regularly patrollediii) Reports for communication with the police at the next Tasking Meeting
 - Driving the wrong way on Chapel Road: Enquiries will be made as to whether a one-way road surface could be employed. Councillors agreed to pass any car registration details to Councillor Mrs Blagden along with date and time of the incident.
 - Speeding cars on Thornhill Road: cars are not adhering to the 20mph limitiv) Letter from Divisional Commander outlining changes to the organisation on WY Police Authority.
Resolved: That the letter be noted

- 07/172 Play Provision Issues: Eastburn Playing Field
i) Drainage costs: Approximate drainage costs of £52,000 and £30,000, depending on the amount of sand slitting, were discussed. The possibility of using volunteers, e.g. Territorial Army, was also discussed. It was confirmed that any works need to be done in co-operation with Bradford Council's Parks and Landscapes Department to enable the liability and maintenance to be taken over by them.
Resolved: To ask Parks and Landscapes to proceed with official tenders immediately.
ii) The siting of railway sleepers on the playing field for the use of the trail bikers
A long discussion highlighted the problems with siting railway sleepers as a temporary measure for the trail bikers.
Resolved: The siting of railway sleepers will be discussed at the next Steering Group meeting on Thursday 13 August.
- 07/173 Bowling Pavilion
i) 'Roll-a-Ramp' temporary ramps for wheelchair access to the bowling pavilion.
Resolved: To purchase two 12" Roll-A-Ramps that are 4ft long at a cost of £480 + VAT.
- 07/174 Youth Issues
Resolved: To arrange a meeting with Abina Dorgan-Smith and Louise Hargreaves in early October. Councillors Mrs Blagden, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Lear and Dr Harding will represent the council.
- 07/175 Parish Plan
Resolved: To arrange a Parish Plan Steering Group for when the questionnaire for 7-11 year olds and preliminary feedback from the questionnaires will be discussed and the prize draw will be completed. Wednesday 10 October at 7.00 p.m. was suggested as the date of the meeting.
- 07/176 De-trunking of A629
Resolved: To note the Order for the de-trunking of the A629.
- 07/177 Training
Resolved: To book a presentation of the training video 'What's on the Agenda' at a cost of £30 plus travelling expenses for the trainer. The suggested date was 17th October 2007 at 7.00p.m. The clerk will check whether the trainer and the school premises are available.
Resolved: To provide refreshments for the meeting.
- 07/178 Funding from the sale of Leeds/Bradford Airport
Councillor Mallinson confirmed that there will be a grant of £100,000 per ward. The grant must be used for capital projects and can not have a significant revenue impact on Bradford Council. It was suggested that some of this grant could be used for play facilities at Eastburn.
Resolved: To put this on the agenda for the October meeting to give councillors time to consider projects that may be put forward to the District Councillors.
- 07/179 Standing Orders
Resolved: To adopt the amended Standing Orders as presented at the meeting.
- 07/180 Newsletter
The feedback from the 'Target' was discussed.
Resolved: To deliver the next newsletter to Steeton addresses with the 'Target'.
The addresses of councillors who had not received the target will be forwarded to the 'Target' offices.
- 07/181 Aire-Wharfe Housing
Resolved: To invite a representative of Aire-Wharfe Housing Trust to attend a future parish council meeting.
- 07/182 Finance
i) Accounts for payment
Resolved: That the accounts detailed on the schedule presented at the meeting be paid.
ii) Internal Auditor's Report
Resolved: To accept the Internal Auditor's Report (Appendix 2)
iii) Effectiveness of Internal Audit:

Resolved: That the council is satisfied that the Internal Audit Process is thorough, effective and professional.

iv) Bank Interest Rates

Resolved: That the council is satisfied that the best possible interest rate is being achieved by maintaining the highest possible practical balance in the Business Base Rate Tracker account.

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Correspondence-(For information and inform future agendas.)

- Information regarding NALC Conference, 'Building the Future of Local Communities', Bournemouth: Circulated
- Northern Gas Networks: Update on the gas mains work, Crosshills: Noted
- Invitation to the Chairman to attend Calder Valley Search and Rescue Team Civic Guests Evening: Passed to the Chairman
- WYPA E-bulletin: Hard copies for councillors without internet access: Circulated at the meeting
- Bradford Council: Off Street Parking-Price Increases: Circulated
- Bradford Council: invitation to Bradford District Funding Fair, Tuesday 9 October 2007, St George's Hall, Bradford: The clerk will attend
- Calderdale Council: West Yorkshire Pennine Local Access Forum-Applications for Membership: Passed to the Chairman for consideration.
- 'Vitalise' Appeal for support: Circulated
- Zurich Insurance: Confirmation of increase in fidelity insurance to £50,000: Noted
- Wright, Atkinson & Pearson: Deeds of the land at 13 Ash Grove: An agenda item for the October meeting.
- Neighbourhood Improvement Strategy: Invitation to attend the event on Thursday 6 September: Councillor Mullen will attend to represent the council.
- Airedale NHS Trust: Invitation to an Open Evening at Airedale General Hospital: Noted
- Yorkshire Forward: Invitation to a LEADER funding event: Councillor Mullen attended this event on behalf of the council

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Councillors reported the following observations:

Social Care Improvement Committee: Councillor Dr. Harding reported that waiting times for disability adaptation have gone up. A new prioritisation system is based on need rather than date of application. Councillor Dr. Harding also reported a price increase in meals provided to the elderly and disabled.

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Planning Matters:

i) Local Development Framework Documents Received: Notification that Bradford City Centre Action Plan: Noted

ii) Local Development Framework Comments : None

iii) Planning Protocol: The latest version of the Planning Protocol had been circulated for information. This will be considered at the next Parish Council Liaison Meeting.

iv) Planning Applications to be considered:

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

Resolved: The council expressed concerns regarding the extension being built right up to the neighbour's boundary, therefore not complying with Policy No. 10 of the House Extensions Policy, and that the proposed extension will not allow access to the rear garden of the property. The council will, however, support the decision of the Planning Officer.

v) Planning decisions to be noted:

Granted:

a) 07/04682/FUL, Conservatory at 43 Elmsley Street, Steeton

b) 07/03472/FUL, Construction of dwelling and garage at Former site of garages south of Chapel, Moor Lane, Eastburn

c) 07/05337/FUL, Weatherproof enclosure of external fire escape staircases at Maternity Unit, Airedale General Hospital, Steeton

Refused:

a) 07/05296/FUL, Extra window to side elevation at 8 Redding Wood Lane, Steeton

b) 07/04243/FUL, Single storey extension to rear, single storey flat roof extension to front, balustrade and enlargement of gable window at 11 Grange View, Eastburn

c) 07/03965/FUL, Extension to rear and conservatory to side at 23 Styveton Way, Steeton

d) 07/05268/FUL, Two storey extension at 57 Thornhill Road, Steeton

e) 07/04195/FUL, Construction of four houses and private access drive at Land at Currer Walk, Steeton

Appeal Notices:

None

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

- The name plate on Mill Lane near the junction with Skipton Road is missing.
- Back of Elmsley Street is very untidy with a lot of rubbish. The land is adjacent to St Stephen's Church and is in the conservation area. The clerk will ask Visible Services to inspect the site.
- 30mph extension in Steeton. The clerk will enquire why the parish council was not consulted.
- Exit from Sutton Lane: cars parked on Skipton Rd are obscuring the sight lines. This will be reported at the Police Tasking Meeting.
- Lamp-post at the bottom of Green Lane near junction Lyon Road: control box is open. The clerk will confirm that this is one of the lamp standards that has been decommissioned.
- It was reported that the surfacing of Summerhill Drive and Avenue will be started next week

- A sign pole which was cut off when the post box was removed at the end of Chapel Road sticks up and is a trip hazard. This will be reported to Highways maintenance.
- Cars parking on St Stephens right at the junction with Skipton Road: This will be reported to the Police Tasking Meeting.
- The surface of St Stephen's Road. The clerk will ask if Highways can use some scalplings to improve the surface.
- Internal alterations to a barn attached to Holmes House. The clerk will enquire if planning permission is required.
- Old Co-Op building.-The windows are broken and there is a danger of falling glass. The clerk will ask the Enforcement Officer to look in to this.
- Mill Lane: The yellow lines have not been painted. The clerk will ask Highways for an update.
- Post Office closure: A consultation document was passed to the Chairman to read. This will be put on the agenda for the October meeting.

To note the date of the next meeting-

Wednesday 3 October 2007, 7.30 p.m. at Eastburn Junior and Infant School.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45p.m.

Chairman..... Date: 3 October 2007