



Steeton-with-Eastburn Parish Council

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at Eastburn Junior and Infant School on Wednesday 23 April 2008 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Councillor Dr. Harding (Chairman),
In Attendance: Councillors Mrs. Blagden, Hargreaves, Mallinson, Mullen, Mrs Pickard, Mrs Thompson and Mrs. Townend. Inspector Sanderson.
Mrs. C. Brown, Clerk
6 Members of the public

1. Apologies: Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Weller.
2. Minutes: The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 25 April 2007 were approved and signed.
3. Chairman's Report: The Chairman gave her annual report (Appendix 1)
4. Public questions
 - o The extended 30mph on Keighley Road, Steeton. There was a query about whether there should be roundels painted on the road where the new 30mph signs have been placed and whether the overhanging branches that obscure one of the signs can be cut back. Inspector Sanderson explained about signage for traffic regulations. The Clerk confirmed that a request has been made to Highways to get the overhanging branches cut back.
 - o Traffic regulation order on Station Road, Steeton. The council was asked why it had objected to the provision of parking spaces on the green space on Station Road. Councillor Mullen explained that the council felt that cars moving in and out of these spaces would be a hazard and that cars would need to turn round on Station Road. The council also wanted to keep the grassed area as an amenity space. It was also noted that the Joint Transport Working Group is trying to promote the provision of more parking spaces at the station.
 - o 20 mph zones in the villages are not enforced. Inspector Sanderson agreed to bring this to the attention of the Neighbourhood Policing Team.
 - o Parking on Thornhill Road causing an obstruction and making the junction with Skipton Road dangerous. Councillor Mallinson informed the meeting that this problem had been highlighted on the recent Police Ward Walk. These problems have been reported to the NPT and to Highways for consideration.
 - o Development on the H2 housing site, Thornhill Road. Many concerns were expressed about the proposed development of this site. The main concerns were about access on to Thornhill Road from the site, access on to Skipton Road from Thornhill Road, the capacity of the sewage system, the density of the housing in the proposals and the design of some of the properties. It was confirmed that the planning application will be considered at the next parish council meeting, 7 May 2008.
 - o Land between Green Lane and Airedale Hospital. The status of the land in the UDP was queried. It was confirmed that this is safeguarded land. Safeguarded land is open land between green belt and developed land. It will be protected over the lifetime of the plan but may be an area of search to meet development needs in the longer term.
 - o Councillor Mallinson congratulated the parish council on having the vision to stay with the development of Eastburn Playing Field and build up a reserve towards funding the project despite the difficulties encountered.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20p.m.

Chairman.....

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