



# Molescroft

Parish Council

## **MINUTES OF THE MOLESCROFT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.30 PM, THURSDAY 21 JULY 2011 AT THE MOLESCROFT PAVILION.**

### **PRESENT**

Councillors, M.Hildyard (Chairman), L.Richings, P.Smith, K.Agerskow, M.Fleming, H.Brown, P.Ranson, B.Gregory, C.Coates, G.Shores, J.Whalley, B.Hanneman. ERYC Councillors Charis and Aird.

### **260. Apologies**

None

### **261. Known declarations of interest**

No declarations of interest were received.

### **262. Approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes had been circulated and were approved as a true record of proceedings.

### **263. Matters Arising**

Councillor Fleming agreed to remind the Assistant Headmaster at Longcroft School of the invitation to students to attend Parish Council meetings as observers.

#### **Action – Councillor Fleming**

### **264. Public Participation Session**

Approximately 170 residents attended the meeting primarily to seek the Parish Councils support in opposing a planning proposal.

The Chairman apologised to anyone who had not received a response to an email or letter sent to the Clerk, this was due to the sheer volume of correspondence received.

The Chairman read out a pre prepared statement which set out the Parish Councils position, and explained that the Parish Council had not been asked for a formal view. As the Parish Council is a statutory consultee it needs to ensure that it has not predetermined its position and fettered its discretion before a planning application is received. This is a legal requirement and the Parish Council has to carefully work within these rules.

The Chairman went on to explain in response to a question from Mr Tucker lead for The North Beverley Action Group that in the last few years developers have been required to consult locally before submitting an application to ensure that they are aware of local issues and community opportunities. In the last month a few members of the Council were invited to a pre-meeting with Linden Homes about their intentions and were informed that the developer would be mounting an exhibition. Councillors talked about the planning policies for the area and the sort of issues which they thought would need to be addressed. What the Parish Council know or were told is entirely the same information as those members of the public saw and were told about at the public exhibition.

The Chairman emphasised that no decision or view had been made by the Parish Council nor would it be until a Planning Application was made.

The Chairman confirmed that as part of the consultation process the Parish Council would be meeting with the developers again to discuss the responses and feedback

from the questionnaires completed at the exhibition. This would be an informal meeting and not a public meeting.

A number of other questions and statements were received from the floor which had been covered in the Chairman's statement.

D.Tucker - Are there any circumstances in which the Parish Council would support/oppose the proposed development?

T.Knight Chairman of Molescroft Primary School Governors stated that the primary school will be at capacity for at least the next 4 years and that there is no room for expansion on the current site.

R.Walker – If it was shown that the majority of people in Molescroft were opposed to the the proposed development would the Council support the Parishioners?

M.Netherton – If a referendum was held in the Parish regarding the proposed development would it set a precedent?

D.Tucker – Expressed concern that the Parish Council are not behind the residents.

T.Danter – Stated that The Localism Bill will change how planning applications are dealt with.

A.Towse – Considered that Linden Homes had given short notice of the Public exhibition.

J.Hall – At the next informal can the Parish Council make Linden Homes aware of the Residents opposition to the proposed development?

D.Tucker – Would the Parish Council try and obtain the raw data from the feedback forms?

D.Tucker – What benefits could Molescroft receive from the proposed development?

E.Wright – Stated that all should be involved in what goes on in Molescroft.

P.Smith – Stated that he had attended previous Parish Council meetings and he had been the only resident present.

In addition to the prepared statement the Chairman responded directly to all questions asked. The Chairman concluded the agenda item, and all residents left the meeting.

#### **265. Website**

P.Maguire gave a presentation on the redesigned Parish Council website. There are currently 24 pages on the site, additional pages including Allotments, Community Page and Frequently asked questions still need to be added. During June the site had 1192 hits including regular hits from ERYC and Government bodies.

#### **266. Payment of Accounts**

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

#### **267. First quarter budget monitoring**

Report noted

#### **268. Planning applications/decisions**

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>PROPOSAL</b>	<b>DECISION</b>
7 West Close	Erection of single storey extension to rear.	Approved

#### **Planning Decisions made by the Planning Authority**

99 Copandale Road, Erection of single storey extension to side & rear, **Permission granted.**

22 Tadman Close, Alterations & conversion of attached garage to living accommodation, first floor extension above & erection of detached garage to front, **Permission granted.**

10 Molescroft Avenue, Erection of single storey extensions to side & rear, bay window to front & external alterations, **Permission granted**

#### **269. Electronic Planning applications**

The Clerk reported that owing to technical issues this has been delayed.

#### **270. Scrubwood Lane Trees**

The Clerk reported that he had contacted ERYC Public Rights of Way Section regarding Scrubwood Lane. The delayed report is due to be completed in the next couple of weeks. The Clerk has asked for a copy of the report. ERYC Councillor Charis reported that the classification of Scrubwood Lane rests with Asset Strategy and advised the Clerk to contact Tom Manson ERYC Asset Strategy Manager.

#### **271. Beverley Town Plan**

The Beverley Town Plan was confirmed by Councillors. The Chairman to confirm to the Clerk the wording required for ERYC.

**Agreed – Beverley Town Plan confirmed**

**Action – Clerk to inform ERYC**

#### **272. Printer replacement**

The Chairman raised the need for a replacement of the printer used by the Clerk. The current one is slow and unable to print double sided. Councillor Richings suggested that before purchasing a replacement the Clerk look into the costs of hiring.

**Agreed – To replace the printer currently used by the Clerk through lease or direct purchase. Action - Clerk**

#### **273. Clerk update report**

##### ***Annual Audit***

District Audit have examined the Parish Councils Accounts and Certified the Annual Return

##### ***Pavilion Fencing***

*4 quotations were received from companies for the replacement of the car park fencing, the prices were as follows –*

*Price A £1309*

*Price B £1350*

*Price C £1575*

*Price D £3855*

*The Clerk reported that he had instructed Company B to carry out the work, the price from Company A did not include replacing the posts in the tarmac or remove the spoil from site but spread onto the field.*

##### ***Playground equipment repairs***

*A quote has been received for repairs to the playground equipment and area for £1025 +VAT.*

##### ***Policies/Standing Orders***

The Clerk indicated the need to update existing policies and of the need for new ones to be written.

##### ***Allotments***

*The Clerk reported that he had been in touch with Molescroft Grange re allotments, it seems likely that additional football pitches will not be needed and the land could now be used as allotments*

#### **274. Provision of Dog Fouling Bins**

Councillor Coates has noted that Cottingham Parish Council were providing dog fouling bags to residents which had resulted in a reduction in the amount of dog fouling left on the streets.

**Action – Clerk to contact Cottingham Parish Council to find out more details**

**275. Youth Liaison**

**Report of Councillor Fleming**

Confirmed that he had spoken to the Assistant Head at Longcroft School issuing an invitation for a small group of older students to attend a Parish Council meeting.

Positive article in the local press regarding Council's donation to Scout Robert Johnson for work carried out at the Pavilion.

Some 60 young people, aged between 12-16, attended the BBQ / Knockout Competition on the 11<sup>th</sup> July. Teams from Beverley and the surrounding area were present. Councillor Coates, Fleming and Ranson were also in attendance. It proved to be a very successful and worthwhile event.

Obtained further details regarding a proposed Kickwall but was waiting for a response from the Youth Service and its members.

Councillor Coates reported on the Community Liaison meeting at Longcroft School. The main issue was the traffic flow especially around the small island on the approach to the school gates. It was suggested that a larger island be considered perhaps a temporary one at first to discover any potential problems. Residents on Molescroft Road opposite indicated that the addition of black and white posts would help the situation.

**276. Parish Centre/School issues**

Nothing to report

**277. Health and Safety**

Nothing to report

**278. Correspondence**

Numerous emails and letters regarding the proposed development by Linden Homes Agenda for Beverley Lat meeting

Notification of trees to be demolished outside 58 Copandale Road and 2 Hargreaves Close, Councillor Hanneman asked if these trees are to be replaced.

**Action – Clerk**

Letter from ERYC enclosing copy of ERYC response to Government Consultation on Planning for Travellers.

**279. Any Urgent business**

Councillor Gregory proposed a vote of thanks to Councillor Hildyard for chairing the public participation section of the meeting, this was seconded by Councillor Ranson.

Councillor Gregory asked what the process would be a planning application is received from Linden Homes before the next meeting. The Chairman responded that a special meeting would be called with statements in the Parish Council notice boards and website.

**280. Date of next meeting**

**THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING WAS SET FOR THURSDAY 15<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2011 AT 7.30 PM IN THE MOLESCROFT PAVILION**

**There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.05 pm.**

**Signed.....(Chairman)**

**Date.....**

**Molescroft Parish Council**  
**Schedule of payments made on 15/09/11**

1	Fire protection Supplies	Call out - alarm failure	£33.00	
2	RSS Playmakers	Play equipment repairs	£1,230.78	
3	P Maguire	Website development	£150.00	Standing order 31/08/11
4	P Maguire	Website maintenance	£90.00	
5	P Maguire	Website maintenance	£90.00	
6	Clerk	Mobile Phone	£12.25	
7	Clerk	Broadband	£17.41	
8	Clerk	Petty Cash	£40.62	
9	Caretaker	Supplies/Materials	£19.52	
10	Staff	Pay	£1,274.76	
11	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE & NI	£126.00	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>			<b>£3,084.34</b>	