

ADDINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

**ORDINARY MEETING HELD AT the Old School Room, Addingham on
Wednesday 19th DECEMBER 2012 at 7:00pm:**

147/12 Present

**Cllr's: Coates Campbell, Flesher, Hindle, Mawson, Smith, Tennant and Naylor
District Cllr: Kelly**

148/12 Absent

Cllr's: Brady, Jerome and Cole.

149/12 In attendance

Clerk, 2 Members of the Public (representatives of the Civic Society), 1 member of the Police (until 7.10 p.m)

150/12 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr's: Jerome and Brady. Cllr's Naylor and Tennant had notified the meeting of their late arrival, due the attendance of a meeting with Bradford MDC (Cllr Naylor) and work commitments (Cllr Tennant).

District Councillor Kelly had sent his apologies.

151/12 Disclosures of Interest *(Members Code of Conduct)*

There were no disclosures of interest by Members present.

152/12 Admission of the Public

(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, Local Government Act 1972 s100/100A ss2/Schedule 12A)

None of the tabled items to be discussed were required to be held in closed session.

153/12 Public Consultation and Question Time, including Police Matters

Police Matters. – There had been 2 reported crimes in the period, one theft of stepladders, one burglary other at the Social Club, where an arrest and charge had been made. Local Priorities remain unchanged - Speeding; this was now subject to a joint working partnership with BMDC and local residents; whereby a speed monitoring device would be used at various locations around the Village to confirm where speeding problems occur. This will also allow identification of areas for future speedwatch monitoring.

Cllr Coates commented on the Police Commissioner leaflet which had been circulated showing budget details, however the Police officer present did not know what the effect of the budget would be.

Cllr Coates commented that police presence in the Village has kept crime low and residents would want to keep it like this

Cllr Flesher commented on recent vandalism incident which was not reported to the Police,

In response the Police do want to be informed it has happened so they can direct PCSO's where to monitor in the future.

A recent change in legislation, whereby Scrap metal dealers have to now pay for scrap by cheque, has helped to reduce the number of thefts of metal products across the district.

Public Consultation- Members were addressed by a representative of the Keighley & District Voluntary Community Action Good Neighbours, who requested advice and assistance on advertising the services this organisation offers, Community Bus service to local supermarket, shop assist – which required more volunteers. It was noted that not all residents were computer literate or had access to a computer so another method would need to be considered.

Cllr's suggested the use of Village Noticeboards, asking the Supermarket to advertise in the local press that there was a shopping bus service- as they would benefit from the extra customers.

Cllr Coates commented that there had been a request from the Civic Society to produce a joint newsletter and this type of information is something that could be included.

154/12 Addingham Civic Society- Proposed MUGA

The following update had been received from the Civic Society, prior to the meeting.

The application for grant funding from Wren had been successful and further the applications would now be made to Your Venture and Sport England for the fencing and lighting.

The following points were raised and discussed by Members and representatives of the Civic Society.

The length of the lease determined at the November meeting was discussed with Cllr Campbell expressing a wish to see the period extended from seven years to a minimum of twenty years. Members were advised that this would require a special resolution to change the decision.

Civic Society comments- following further grant funding being awarded building work should commence in the Summer with the project up and running by the Winter.

Civic Society were aware that they will have to manage it at the start but would hope that users would come on board once it is starting to be used.

Civic Society will have to be heavily involved at the start and they will take responsibility for running it. However they would be looking to engage users in getting involved and joining a management committee.

In response to requests made by the Civic Society, Members discussed each request and

Resolved:

- a) **During construction of the MUGA access to the pavilion will be GRANTED to allow the installation of cabling and an external securely boxed meter, which will be mounted on the gable end of the pavilion facing the MUGA. Costs of installation are to be met by the Civic Society.**
- b) **Request for the Parish Council to extend their Public Liability Insurance to cover the use of the MUGA was DECLINED, as Members were advised by Cllr Campbell that the Parish Council would not be able to include the MUGA as even though it was situated on Parish owned land, the MUGA was not owned by the Council.**
- c) **Request for the changing facilities to be available to users of the MUGA would have to be SUBJECT TO FURTHER DISCUSSION.** The football club was concerned over who would ensure the building was maintained and cleaned. External toilet facilities were suggested by the Parish Council; however the representative from the Civic Society felt that this was not an affordable option for them. They did accept that users would have to maintain the standard found on entry and that a Management Committee would take on the responsibility of ensuring this. The provision of more sporting facilities was a request in the Parish Plan and they would be looking to the village to support it.
Cllr. Naylor proposed a meeting be held to identify what the problems were and possible solutions. Members who would attend were confirmed as Cllr's Campbell, Naylor, Mawson and Smith, subject to availability.

155/12 Previous Parish Council Minutes and Progress Report, for information only, on Matters Arising from the Minutes which are not included elsewhere on the Agenda

Previous Minutes

Resolved: that the presented Minutes were accepted as a correct record of Addingham Parish Council's Ordinary Meeting held on the 21st November 2012 and that they were signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising – for information only

(185/11) – Flooding Culvert at Silsden Road- Drain cover has been replaced but there is still an issue. We are still awaiting a response from BMDC on a request for an on-site meeting.

(125/12) Memorial Plaque for ex-Cllr. Stanley Flesher. - Wording has been agreed; Clerk to order plaque, which would be mounted on a millstone base at Marchup Ghyll.

(138/12) – Addingham CC- Funding details are still being investigated.

(139/12) Sale of land at The Green- after correspondence and review by BMDC they will not sell the access road to the owner of 2 Town Head Barn as the road also has access rights to another property.

156/12 Scout Hut & Football Pavilion Project

The building was virtually complete, it had been agreed that the contractor would be given an extension to the completion date, this would be with no penalties imposed as the sub-committee had seen how problems with the build had been addressed promptly and the issues had arisen from the existing football pavilion and could not have been foreseen at the start of the project.

The Completion Hand Over will take place on the 15th January 2013. There were some funds left in the contingency fund which the sub-committee proposed could be used to create a hard standing area to the front of the Pavilion which would provide car parking. This was being costed by the Project Manager.

The path which leads from the Memorial Car Park to the Pavilion is under review by the project manager. It was agreed that the current path, installed as part of the Medical Centre development was not adequate and a number of complaints had been received over a period of time. Members agreed that a scheme to improve the path should be costed and brought back to Council for resolution. Planners had confirmed that the path should be whatever suits the landscape and could be any surface type.

Additional internal requirements from the scouts were being negotiated direct with the contractor and payment for these additional requirements would be made direct from the scouts to the builder.

Resolved: Members agreed that the building should be valued for insurance purposes at £200,000.00. This was based on the actual cost of building.

157/12 Addingham Cricket Club (ACC)

Following the forwarding of the existing lease agreement to the Council's Solicitor for review

Resolved: Members agreed the

a) Current lease would be extended to 2038, giving an unexpired period of twenty five years.

b) Trustees from the Parish Council would be Cllr's Mawson and Smith.

158/12 Memorial Bench for Peter Marshall, OBE

Following correspondence with the family of the late Peter Marshall,

Resolved: Members confirmed the dedication ceremony, for the bench which would be placed at the junction of Bolton Road and Main Street, would take place on 14th January 2013.

159/12 Memorial plaque for Ex-Councillor Aldridge

The Council has received a request from Mrs. Aldridge to replace the current plaque with a Yorkshire stone base and a new plaque. Cost to be met by Mrs. Aldridge

Recommended: Members agreed to the new installation.

160/12 Parish Council Liaison Meeting (PCL)

Members received an update from Cllr. Naylor following his attendance at the PCL meeting held on Wednesday 12/12/12.

Planning Protocol- BMDC have made changes however it was noted that it was their responsibility to inform parishes and the Clerks that a planning application had been received and validated and was available to comment on.

Community Right to Challenge- the BMDC Executive is to consider this item in February. A community right to challenge would open up a tendering process; this may have significant implications on how the Parish Council would need to work and the services it provided.

Election Costs- Unit costs are still being finalised, with printing costs being reduced and employment costs being reviewed. This would have an impact on the precept setting by Parish Councils as by-elections would now be funded by each individual Parish.

Council Tax Base – BMDC have agreed to pass down to Parishes the Central Government grant that will result in Parish Precepts remaining at the same level even though there has been a decrease in the council tax base i.e. the number of equivalent Band D properties. (assuming the precept level remains unchanged). However increases in the precept level will now be applied across a lower number of properties going forward. BMDC are carrying out a review of the services they provide and Parishes had to consider the impact of any reduction in those services provided by BMDC which may lead to increased costs for the Parish Council and ultimately the impact on the precept.

161/12 Education Consultations

Resolved: the following response was agreed to the following consultations

i) Admission and Coordinated Admission Arrangements for September 2014-15

This consultation did not directly affect schools in the Wharfe Valley; however there could be future implications for Addingham Children as one of the decisions was over whether to extend Aire View Infants School or Steeton Primary School.

Members agreed that the expansion of Aire Valley Infants school would be preferred.

ii) Consultation on proposed changes to entitlement within Bradford Council's School Transport Policy.

This item was withdrawn from the agenda as the closing date for comments was the 25th January 2013. It would be added to the Agenda for January 2013 to allow Members to consider the consultation document and proposals thoroughly.

162/12 Planning Applications

Resolved: Members considered the planning applications listed below, and determined the following responses.

Planning Application Ref	Site Location	Brief Description of proposal	Resolved
12/05013/HOU	3 Springfield Mount Addingham West Yorkshire LS29 0JB	Single storey rear extension and detached garage. NO Conversion of existing outbuilding	No Objections
12/04938/HOU	8 Park Crescent Addingham West Yorkshire LS29 0LX	Construction of single storey extension to front to include covered walkway	No Objections
12/04850/HOU	3 Nursery Lane Addingham West Yorkshire LS29 0TN	Conversion of garage into a kitchen. Infill garage opening with stone mullioned windows , swap side window and front door	No Objections

163/12 Chairman's Remarks and Correspondence

Chairman's Comments-

Clerk to check with BMDC Empty Homes department as to the status of the property on Moor Lane which now appeared to be having repair works carried out.

Members of the Civic Society had again expressed an interest in the joint production of a Village Newsletter to reach those residents who did not have access to the internet or the Local Newspaper.

Correspondence -

Copies of various BMDC Meetings Minutes.

Comments on Xmas Lights and areas of the Village covered.

Request for assistance in resolving an issue relating to high trees on private land. Clerk to ask for advice from BMDC.

Copy of Civic Society response to planning application for The Street.

E-mail from Ilkey & District Community Bus Transport advising of vacancies on current shopper's service

164/12 Finance

1. Invoices for payment

Resolved: that the presented list of invoices paid and due for payment were approved, and cheques were signed as required.

2. Code of Conduct Dispensation

In order to comply with the new Code of Conduct rules, relating to the declaring of pecuniary interests.

Resolved: Members agreed to the addition of the following Standing Order relating to a Councillor applying for a Code of Conduct Dispensation.

Where a council member wishes to apply for a dispensation in any matter, he/she will do so on the form specifically provided by the council for the purpose. The completed form must be sent to the Clerk who will have the delegated authority to grant the dispensation, which will be confirmed by written acknowledgement.

165/12 Date of Next Meeting

The next Ordinary Meeting of Addingham Parish Council will take place on Wednesday 16th January 2013 at 7:00pm, at The Old School Room.