

Holme Valley Parish Council

Draft Minutes **PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE** held at **EXHIBITION ROOM** at **THE CIVIC, HUDDERSFIELD ROAD, HOLMFIRTH HD9 3AS** on **MONDAY 15 JANUARY 2024** at **700pm**

Those present:

Chair: Cllr Andy Wilson

Vice Chair: Cllr Tom Dixon

Councillors: Mary Blacka, Adrian James, Steve Ransby, Jo Liles,

Officer: Gemma Sharp (Assistant Clerk)

Welcome

The Chair welcomed the committee and members of the public.

Open Session at Planning

3 Members of the public attended to speak about application 2324/08/13 under agenda item 2324 142.

2324 135 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 on 6 August 2014

As Local (Parish and Town) Council meetings can now be recorded, the Chair checked if any members of the public wished to record the meeting, to ensure reasonable facilities could be provided. None wanted to record the meeting. The meeting was already being recorded by the Officer for public broadcast via the Holme Valley Parish Council YouTube channel.

2324 136 To accept apologies for absence

Apologies and reasons for absence were **NOTED** and **ACCEPTED** from Cllrs Colling, Fenwick, and Rostron.

An existing dispensation is in place for Cllr Fernandes.

Cllr Barnett was absent.

2324 137 To receive Members' and Officers' personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda

Cllr Dixon declared a personal interest in application 2324/08/03 under agenda item 2324 142

2324 138 To consider written requests for new DPI dispensations

2324 139 To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session

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Resolved: Application 2023/08/05 in item 2024 142 would be heard in private session.

2324 140 To confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Approved: Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 4 December 2023, numbered 2324 117 – 2324 134 inclusive were approved.

2324 141 Completed Kirklees Planning Applications List

Noted: List 2324-07 updated with the views of the Committee were noted.

2324 142 Kirklees Council - New Planning Applications

At this point standing orders were suspended to allow the members of the public to join the discussion.

Application 2023/08/05 (Kirklees reference 2023/62/93449/W) was discussed in private session.

The committee considered the new or amended applications received from Kirklees Council 28 November 2023 to 9 January 2024 inclusive – List 2324-08.

RESOLVED: That the Planning Committee's comments on the above applications be forwarded to Kirklees Council by the Assistant Clerk.

2324 143 Kirklees Council - Planning Officers' Decisions

Noted: The list of Decision Notices issued by Kirklees Council for the period 28 November 2023 to 9 January 2024 inclusive.

2324 144 Neighbourhood Planning and Reviewing Parish Council Outcomes

i. Purchase and placement of additional SID for the Holme Valley

- At the full Council meeting on 27th March councillors approved the expenditure of up to £5,000 on a mobile speed indicator device (SID).
- At a meeting of this Committee on 11th September, it was resolved that 5 locations had been identified to be the first sites for the device, further sites would be identified once the purchase has been completed.
 - Woodhead Road going towards Holmbridge from Holmfirth – Lighting Column 157. (Catch Restaurant).
 - Woodhead Road going towards Holmfirth from Holmbridge – Lighting Column 168. (Brynd Lea)
 - New Mill going towards Holmfirth – Lighting Column 70.
 - Holmfirth going towards New Mill – Lighting Column 71.
 - Woodhead Road going towards Holmbridge from Holme – Lighting Column 224.

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Cllr Wilson reported that following the letter sent to Kirklees HV South councillors on 8 January 2024 a meeting had been set up with Cllrs Wilson and Blacka for 17 January 2024 with Cllr Crook to discuss next steps.

ii. Traffic calming

- At a previous planning meeting Cllr Fenwick reported that a meeting with Brockholes school to discuss the next steps of the school bollard safety was pending but was not present at the meeting to update.

Cllr Wilson reported that Uppershong School had confirmed they would like to be part of the pilot temporary bollard safety scheme.

Resolved: Cllr Wilson and the Assistant Clerk will progress the purchase of bollards for the pilot at Uppershong School and will follow up with Cllr Fenwick regarding a purchase for Brockholes school if they are ready to take part in the pilot.

Noted: Following a meeting at Honley High School on 29 November to discuss proposals for a Zebra crossing, students have been invited to present their findings on possible traffic calming measures near the school at a future planning committee meeting.

iii. Consultation on the Kirklees Council Statement of Community Involvement

Noted: The response on behalf of HVPC Planning Committee to the Kirklees MC consultation on the Statement of Community Involvement prepared by Cllrs Blacka and Wilson submitted on 5 January 2024 was noted by the committee.

iv. Engagement on Preapplication advice

Noted: A letter to Kirklees Planners to request the publication of preapplication advice taken on planning applications 18 December 2023 was noted by the committee.

2324 145 Peak District National Park Authority

- No new planning applications list were received in the previous period to be updated with HVPC comments.
- No new applications from the Peak District National Park were received in the period 28 November 2023 to 9 January 2024.
- **Noted:** New decision notices from the Peak District National Park received in the period 28 November 2023 to 9 January 2024 were noted by the committee.

2223 146 Ongoing highways campaigns, including unmade roads, green lanes and byways of the Holme Valley

The ongoing campaigns are:

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- i. **Burnlee Road Closure**
- ii. **Ramsden Road**
- iii. **Cartworth Moor Road**
- iv. **Cheesegate Nab**
- v. **Netherthong centre**
- vi. **South Lane**

Noted: A letter sent to Kirklees MC Highways and CEO regarding ongoing highways and unmade roads campaigns 18 December 2023 was noted by the committee.

Cllr Dixon updated the group on correspondence received from a resident regarding Cheesegate Nab.

Cllr Wilson updated the committee on information from Peak & Northern regarding legal action to repair Ramsden Road. Cllr Wilson will seek permission to share updates on this with the committee and concerned residents.

2324 147 Planning Policy and Guidance

- At the meeting on 11 September 2023 the committee **resolved** to request an alternative contact for the heritage team, a request has been made and the clerking team are awaiting a response.
- A request has been made for a copy of the Honley Conservation area appraisal and the clerking team are awaiting a response.

An **Action** for the Assistant Clerk is to follow up on these requests with Kirklees officers.

2324 148 Design Code

Cllr Ransby reported that progress had been made with the design code and he anticipated that a draft would be ready to present at the planning committee meeting on 5 February 2024.

2324 149 Place Standards / Town Centre Plan

Cllr Wilson reported that he had attended the Place Standards/Town Centre Plan group in December 2023 and gave the following updates:

- Margaret Dale reported on the success of Holmfirth Market and advocated for the appointment of a Town Centre Manager, however funding for a position such as this is not currently available.
- The play equipment at Sands Recreation Ground is in the process of being installed, the paths element of the plans are going ahead and will be going out to tender in the near future and £15,000 from HVPC for play equipment is unlikely to be used. Parking charges are likely to be brought in at Sands following a public consultation.
- A marketing proposal is being prepared by Business Together.
- Copies of the Blueprint for Holmfirth are available at Holmfirth Library and the work is currently out to tender.
- A vehicle movements survey is due to take place soon.

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An **Action** for Cllr Wilson is to suggest licencing for a mobile refreshments vendor at Sands at the next Town Centre Plan meeting.

2324 150 Committee Budget 2023-24 and 2024-25

- The Planning Committee has one budget line under its remit. This is 4505 Neighbourhood Plan. Its purpose is to support initiatives arising from the Holme Valley Neighbourhood Development Plan.
At the start of the Council year, the budget contains £3,000.

In earmarked reserves, the Committee oversees two funds, -

- £3,000 earmarked for the Holmfirth Market project.
- £7,000 earmarked for Road Safety; of this up to £5,000 has been committed to the purchase of a SID and up to £1,000 earmarked for a pilot school bollards safety scheme.

Noted: At the previous meeting on 16 October 2023 the Planning Committee made recommendations to the Finance & Management Committee and Full Council on their requirements for the budget in 2024/25 and for EMR arrangements for remaining funds from 2023/24. At the Full Council meeting on 18 December 2023, £1,500 was approved for the planning committee budget for the year 2024/25.

The merging of the EMRs will be considered at the Full Council meeting on 29 January 2024. Remaining unspent budget from 2023/24 will be considered at the Full Council meeting on 18 March 2024.

2324 151 Publicising the work of Holme Valley Parish Council

- Assistant Clerk updated on planned activity.

Close 8.59 pm