

CROWLE TOWN COUNCIL

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MINUTES of a meeting of the Council held at Crowle Community Resource Centre on 10th June 2008

PRESENT. Cllr M Bailey, Town Mayor, presiding

Cllr:	B Duffield	F J Rhodes	K Holgate	R Stewart	P Venum
	G DaCosta	T Barker	N Arrand	N Culpin	I Mason
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APOLOGIES for absence were received from Cllr: C Stewart, J R Smith

22. PUBLIC FORUM

Mrs McHugh reported concerning the constant problems at Johnson's Lane Playing Field, she has had 5 balls in her garden which has smashed the glass in her greenhouse; the youths have also been in her yard and taken the balls out. She asked if the town council were going to take responsibility. The mayor reported that due to recent events concerning the convenient for the Johnson's lane playing field, the council are now seeking advice as to what legal situation the town council stand at present.

23. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The following councillor's reported an interest in the agenda items listed:

1. Cllr F J Rhodes – Jubilee Gardens
2. Cllr T Barker – Planning applications

24. TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The mayor reported that he had been invited to attend the following functions:

1. Crowle Show 29th June 2008
2. Crowle Gala Sunday 20th June 2008

25. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 13th May 2008, copies here with, of which were previously circulated were taken as read, which included the Annual Meeting.

Resolved: That the said minutes be approved and signed as a true record.

26. MATTERS ARISING.

8. Johnson's Lane Playing Field

Cllr R Stewart asked if the council had received a reply from Brian Hastings concerning funding information, the clerk reported that he has not replied to date but she will chase the matter up.

27. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING

2008/0581 – Planning permission to erect a 2m high garden wall – Mowcap Farm, 78 Godnow Road, Crowle.

No Observations:

2008/0701 – Planning permission to make alterations to outbuilding to provide a residential Annexe and erect a conservatory – Building to rear of 6 Woodland Avenue, Crowle.

No Observations:

2008/0771 – Planning permission to erect two blocks of three town houses – Plot at Former Coal Yard, Fieldside, Crowle.

No Observations:

2008/0698 – Planning permission to install a satellite dish – 98 High Street – 98 High Street, Crowle.

Objections were raised on the following grounds:

1. In a conservation area.
2. Dish needs to be of uniform size, should be placed at the rear of property.
3. Not in keeping with future plans of the town.

2008/0600 - Planning permission to retain a smoking shelter and timber decking – The White Hart, 96 High Street, Crowle.

No Observations:

Applications granted:

2008/0220 – Erect a single storey side extension at 26 Mill Road, Crowle.

2008/0236 – Amended house type to include a balcony and entrance portico at Land Adjacent Low Paddock, Commonside, Crowle

2008/0461 – Determination of prior approval for the erection of a steel portal framed Agricultural building at Land off Northmoor Road, Crowle – Prior approval not Required.

2008/0481 – Amend plots 4, 5 and 6 previously approved under 2007/0028 at Land Adjacent 42 Eastoft Road, Crowle.

2008/0430 – Erect a 2-storey side extension and rear extension at 28 Windsor Road, Crowle.

2008/0331 – A detached dwelling on land at Oakley stables, Godnow Road, Crowle.

2008/0478 – Erect new office accommodation at Alf Kitching Limited, Double Rivers, Old Route of A161 south of Crowle.

Applications withdrawn:

2008/0474 – Planning permission to construct replacement pontoons incorporating bank Erosion structures and boardwalk – 7 Lakes Country Park, Wharf Road, Crowle

2008/0473 – Planning permission to carry out improvements to North Channel on main lake And carry out associated landscape works at 7 Lakes Country Park, Wharf Road, Crowle.

Applications for Appeal:

2007/1939 – Planning permission to erect a detached house and garage – Land Adjacent 4 Commonside, Crowle.

28. ENVIRONMENTAL/CONSERVATION UPDATE

Cllr B Duffield reported concerning the outcome of the public enquiry concerning the windfarms, Cllr B Duffield explained the back ground concerning the windfarms and the fair share policy. He reported that within the Isle there will be the largest concentration of turbines in the whole of Europe. It was reported that Robin Hood Airport have now changed the main flight path, which will come directly over Crowle, it looks very gloomy future for Crowle. Cllr B Duffield proposed that the council give consideration that the clerk writes to the CVA concerning the above. Cllr R Stewart proposed an amendment that letters be copied to all local authorities. Cllr F J Rhodes seconds the amendment, which was put to the vote and resulted in a unanimous vote in favour of the proposal.

Cllr F J Rhodes reported that wind turbines do not work as they are only 40% efficient, the most efficient is tidal power, and solar power is also very good.

Cllr T Barker reported that North Lincolnshire Council will be setting up a Windfarm forum committee.

Cllr B Duffield went on to report concerning two letters that were drafted up in response to Tim Allen concerning Encroachments, the mayor viewed the letters and agreed for them to be posted out. It was reported that at a meeting with representatives of the town council and the Chief Executive of North Lincolnshire Council, where Tim Allen was present, he was ordered by the Chief Executive a year ago to deal with the encroachment matters, the council gave him the locations and the resident's details.

Cllr R Stewart reported concerning the application at seven Lakes and the response from Ian Goldthorpe, this response is anything but direct. It was reported that all planning applications for this site have been deferred for a site meeting which will give the planning officers opportunity to see exactly what is happening. Cllr R Stewart read out the questions he asked Ian Goldthorpe.

Resolved: Write to the CVA and copy letters to all local authorities, Ian Goldthorpe will be attending the next council meeting.

29. CEMETERY CHAPELS PROJECT PLAN

Cllr F J Rhodes reported concerning the cemetery chapel project and that there is structural problems on both chapels. Cllr F J Rhodes reported that the council needs to get tenders sorted for the garage then the town handyman can get both chapels cleared, both chapels can then be shut down, the council need to get a proper engineers survey. The wiring needs to be tapped off from the base source to the garage.

The project may take over three years to complete, all the walls need to be stripped to assessed what rising damp is present, the roof rafters also need to be inspected as they are wood not steel and may be rotten. Cllr F J Rhodes reported that the council needs to get tenders for laying the concrete base for the garage and a road; the wiring also needs to be cut off. The town handyman can then tidy up inside the chapels which he can do through the winter months. The arch needs to be looked at as it is cracking and may need scaffolding and acro props to be put in place, these items may need to be purchased due to the time scale.

Cllr F J Rhodes asked the clerk to send each councillor a colour copy of the project, he also proposed that himself and Cllr K Holgate along with the clerk get tenders for laying the concrete base and garage, also deal with all electric issues.

Cllr N Arrand asked if there were any grants available, Cllr F J Rhodes stated that he would look into this matter. Cllr G DaCosta asked if it would be more cost effective to take down the chapels and re-build them using the same materials.

The Mayor recorded his thanks to Cllr F J Rhodes and Cllr K Holgate for all their work so far.

30. REGEN WAY

Cllr P Venum reported concerning the Regen Way Walk from Crowle to Ealand, that as you walk down near the canal bank side the litter was terrible. He also reported that trees have been planted from the canal & south soak drains and litter bins have been put in place but no one ever empties them. It was reported that some of the steps that run down the side of the fly over are in a very dangerous state. There is a sign at the canal bank at Medge Hall saying it is the Regen Way, but there is no sign on the A161, Cllr P Venum asked if the council could write to North Lincolnshire Council highways concerning putting a sign in place.

Cllr T Barker asked if it would be possible to use the quick fix money available from Yorkshire Forward.

Resolved: Write to British water Ways for a maintenance schedule, and to North Lincolnshire council concerning a Regen Way sign on the A161.

31. UPDATE ON CCTV CAMERAS

The mayor reported that the camera in the Market Place is now working; Cllr N Culpin asked what the situation was with the second camera. It was reported that there has been a delay concerning planning but this has been resolved and the camera will be put in place within the next few weeks.

It was reported that the camera in the market place is working very well and the mayor has spoken to Jenny Couch requesting a visit for councillor's to go and look at the monitoring centre.

32. FIELDSIDE ROAD – SPEED RESTRICTIONS ABNORMAL USE BY PUBLIC

Cllr N Culpin reported in the last four weeks two incidents have occurred on the above road, a lot of people are using the road as a short cut to avoid the traffic lights.

Cllr G DaCosta reported that it is a public road and there would be nothing the police could do to stop people short cutting along Fieldside.

Cllr N Culpin proposed that a letter be sent to the police and North Lincolnshire Council concerning any restrictions that could be put in place, Cllr N Arrand second the proposal which was put to the vote and resulted 10 in favour, 1 abstained.

Resolved: Write to North Lincolnshire Council's Peter Scott and the police concerning any restrictions that could be put in place on Fieldside.

33. SUB-COMMITTEE FOR PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Cllr F J Rhodes expressed that he was against a sub-committee for planning as this is a sensitive matter and needs to be discussed at a full council meeting and he recommended that it stay at full council.

Cllr R Stewart suggested that the council do not have a sub-committee but a planning committee, Cllr F J Rhodes stated that in the standing orders the council is already a planning committee. Cllr B Duffield urged the council to keep it as it is and that councillors try to attend any special planning meetings that have to be arranged. Cllr I Mason suggested that the council take a vote concerning this matter; Cllr P Venum supports Cllr R Stewarts suggestions. Cllr R Stewart reported that in the last few months the council has taken on more projects such as Youth Provisions, Quality Council and looking at all policy papers.

33. SUB-COMMITTEE FOR PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONT:

Cllr I Mason proposed that the council move business and take a vote as to whether the council should form a planning committee, it was therefore put to the vote and resulted 5 in favour, 6 against and 1 abstained.

Resolved: Planning applications will stay as full council.

34. ROCKERY, JUBLIEE GARDENS, CROWLE

North Lincolnshire Council have written to the town council concerning the above, reporting that Mr Rhodes is proposing to remove a rockery in his garden which abuts Jubilee Gardens and because of the difference in level between the two sites he is concerned that if they do not remove the rockery from their site it will push over his boundary wall. North Lincolnshire has written that they have no objections to his proposal, but seek confirmation from the town council that they have no objections to the proposal. Cllr R Stewart reported that he had no objections subject to the removal of the rockery as long as no green space is lost and re-planting takes place.

Resolved: The council have no objections to the proposal subject to the comments made by Cllr Stewart, contact North Lincolnshire Council to inform them of the above.

35. YOUTH PROVISIONS/QUALITY COUNCIL

It was reported that Cllr P Venum is meeting Jenny Jones on the 11th June 2008, to look at other locations. Cllr P Venum reported that the Quality Council requirements are due to be replaced at the end of June, it was recommended that the council set up a file for each sub-committee, the clerk reported that this has now been done.

It was suggested that the council wait for the new specifications to come out so they can move forward.

36. HIGHWAY, FOOTPATH & STREETLIGHTING MATTERS

The following highway matters were raised:

1. The drains all over Crowle are badly blocked, particularly the one outside the Balti House and at the junction of Fieldside/Chancery Lane.
2. Next monthly sweep of the High Street showing signs of being needed.
3. Pot hole outside Cross Keys (Robinson's Solicitors) in the Market Place.
4. Massive dip in the road on Windsor Road outside of 99 – 101 is in need of urgent attention, many reports of damage to front of cars.

37. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were authorised for payment:

1003	Inland Revenue	269.31
1004	Johnston Publishing	63.54
1005	ADDPlant	105.99
1006	SK Fuel	47.50
1008	NX1 (UK)	8225.00
1009	NX1 (UK)	4455.01
1010	Scarecrow Festival	100.00
1011	Petty Cash	100.00
1012	BT Redcare	25140.04

Bacs Payments

British Telecom	47.60
British Telecom	69.10
Anglo Dealer	221.12