

# **Kirkburton & Highburton Community Association**

## **Minutes of meeting held at Burton Village Hall**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2016**

**Present:** Peter White, Jayne Smith, Cllr Barraclough, Cllr Sykes, Cllr Armer, Angie Hilton, Pat Shaw, Ann Schofield, Sandra Coulthard, Richard Smith, Tim Scott

**1. Apologies:** Kaye Emberton, Tony Eaton, Vanda White, Geoff Barnard, Cllr Boden, Howard Boothroyd, Derek Hardcastle

In the absence of Mike Greetham, Peter White chaired the meeting.

### **2. Minutes/matters arising of last meeting:**

- Angie Hilton confirmed that it was Dave Hilton who had offered to help with the website not Lee as stated in the minutes.
- Minutes agreed to be otherwise correct.

**3. Community Police Representative:** No representative.

### **4. Treasurers report:**

-Peter White circulated the financial report as at 13<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

Business rates are to remain at Zero as Kirklees have agreed to class KHCA as a small business whilst the Government allowance is available.

-As the two cleaners are self- employed we are not legally obligated to pay the minimum wage. However, this increase has been applied from April 2016, which has increased the annual figure by £390.00. Future increases to meet the living wage will need to be discussed as this will increase the annual figure substantially and therefore we may need to consider increasing the rent charged to the user groups. The last rent increase was in 2007.

### **5. Initiatives:**

#### **A) Play area**

New planning has been submitted in relation to the wheel park. Consultation has been extended until 06.05.2016. All previous correspondence relating to the initial plans are null and void.

#### **B) Website**

Nothing to report –

### **6. Burton Bulletin:**

Pat Shaw informed the meeting that the deadline for submissions is 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016, and it is looking to be a full issue. Jayne Smith discussed the need for a piece from the KHCA as the information was being duplicated by other contributors. It was agreed that an extra item was not needed. The meeting discussed the printing of the minutes. It was agreed that as the bulletin was full, there would be direction to the website for the minutes, rather than printing them.

### **7. Parish Council:**

-Cllr Sykes reported that the April meeting has not yet been held.

-Cllr Sykes raised concerns regarding the parking at the Kirkburton Co-Op and how it was having a serious effect on buses and cars turning. Cllr Barraclough advised that there are to be double yellow lines and No waiting markings made in the foreseeable future.

-Cllr Boden contacted BT regarding the telephone box. BT has now repaired it. No comments were made as to if the phone box will be removed or not. Cllr Sykes advised that there had been

an item in the Huddersfield Examiner, stating that there had been a consultation – no one at the meeting was aware of such consultation.

### **8 .B.E.G:**

-Tim Scott reported that the working group have been busy, repairing the bridges within Burton Dene. There has been an increase of water springs in the area. BEG are looking into drainage system.

There will be a meeting with Kirklees about joint management.

Graffiti has increased over the Easter holidays.

A conference was being held on the 16<sup>th</sup> April 2016, focusing on green space and the natural heritage.

### **9. Kirkburton Co-op – now removed**

#### **10 The Hub:**

Angie Hilton reported that the last coffee morning was very well attended – approx. 20 people took part in the pot a potato – to be repeated at the next coffee morning. Unfortunately the Tea Dance attracted very few people.

Interviews are being held for the post of fund raiser/grant applications etc.

Angie stressed that they really do need the support of the website to advertise their events.

#### **11. Village Hall Manager's report:**

- New blinds have been fitted, hall appears to much brighter and there have been several positive comments. One blind left to be fitted over the kitchen hatch.

-Fire extinguishers have been serviced.

- Hall floor – agreed that it is not financially sensible to have the floor treated this year.

-Playgroup reported that the guttering in the play area needs repairing/replacing. It was agreed that the KHCA would provide the finances for this. Peter suggested that the fence should also be repainted. **ACTION – Kaye to ask Gary to proceed.**

#### **12. Booking manager' report:**

- 1 child's party booked for the 17<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

#### **13. Any other business:**

Tim Scott – new house near Church Yard – discussions took place as to whether the public consultation has been carried out correctly i.e. information notices, letters to neighbouring properties etc. All objections should be sent to the case officer.

Richard Smith – Conservative candidate for Kirkburton Ward introduced himself.

Peter White confirmed that we are still awaiting quotes for building work. Hopefully these should have been received by the next meeting for discussion.

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2016, 7.30pm – Burton village hall.**