

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
TOLLERTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Held in the Village Memorial Hall on 8 January 2008 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors: Mr Spark (Chairman), Mrs Jackson, Mrs Wadsworth, Mr Simpson, Mr Brown, Mrs McAlpine and Mrs Rogers (Clerk).
2 members of the public

1. Apologies – None
2. Minutes – the minutes of the Parish meeting held on 4 December 2007 were agreed as correct and signed by Mr Spark.
3. Matters Arising
 - a) Rabbit Fencing at the Playing Field – Mr Spark had spoken to the Easingwold contractor who was to view the site. Mr Spark is to contact him again over the coming weekend.
 - b) Mrs Rogers updated the Council regarding the disused building accessed via the snicket between Main Street and Tennis Court Lane. Hambleton District Council is reluctant to board up the property as it is only authorised to board up “dwellings”. This definition could be stretched, however, according to the neighbours it is not causing a public nuisance. The Council is to try and trace the owner of the property, via the land registry, and ask them to make the property safe. In the meantime the Council pointed out that if the property is being accessed this is trespass and therefore at the trespassers own risk.
4. Planning Applications
 - a) 07/03682/FUL – Mr & Mrs D Hosker, Holly House, Alne Road, Tollerton – single storey extension to existing dwelling. APPROVED prop. Mrs Wadsworth sec. Mr Simpson.
 - b) 07/03734/FUL – Mr S Quartermain, Yew Tree House, Alne Road, Tollerton – Construction of a detached domestic double garage, potting shed and gates. APPROVED prop. Mr Brown sec. Mr Spark.
 - c) 07/03666/FUL – Mr & Mrs Holland, The Laurels, Tennis Court Lane, Tollerton – conservatory extension. APPROVED prop. Mrs Jackson sec. Mr Brown.
5. Planning Amendments
 - a) None
6. Planning Decisions and Appeals
 - a) 07/03245/FUL – Mr M Dowson, Station House, Station Rd, Tollerton – change of use of agricultural land to domestic curtilage use and use ancillary to existing joiners workshop. APPROVED. Noted
 - b) 07/02909/FUL – Mr B Hardy, School House, Main St, Tollerton – conservatory extension to existing dwelling. APPROVED. Noted
 - c) 07/02907/FUL – Mr B Hardy, 1 School Cottages, Main St, Tollerton – construction of a cycle & bin store. APPROVED. Noted
 - d) 07/03251/FUL – Mr J Robinson, Greenfields, Newton Rd, Tollerton – alterations and extensions to existing dwelling. APPROVED. Noted
 - e) 07/03380/CAT – Lyncott, The Green, Tollerton – proposed works to conifer tree. APPROVED. Noted
7. Financial Matters
 - a) Account balances – Treasurers £1,665.70, BMM No1 £4,181.94, s.106 BMM £3,107.45, Scottish Widows a/c £23,699.66.
 - b) The following cheques were signed:
256 - £429.60 – Mrs E Rogers re: Clerk’s services October – December
 - c) A letter of authority to HSBC was signed per the mandate authorising a transfer of £250.00 from the BMM no.2 a/c (s.106 money) to the BMM no.1 a/c. The money covers the cost of the grass cutting at lngs View during 2007.

Approved:
Chairman

8. Correspondence

- Tollerton Sports & recreation Club – 2007 accounts, forecast and £1,000 funding request. This matter was discussed and the funds agreed. Mr Brown pointed out that the playing field is an amenity for the village as a whole and Mr Spark highlighted all the positive hard work that the Club had undertaken recently. Mr Spark also emphasised that funds should also be made available to other village amenities should it be required.
- Hambleton Over 50's Forum – December 2007. Circulate
- HDC – Stakeholder consultation on car park charging. Circulate
- CE Electric UK – Information Leaflet. Circulate
- YRCC – Parish Government Conference – 7/9 March. Circulate
- HDC – Post Office Closures (Information only as Clerk already replied). Circulate
- HDC – LDF; Draft Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document. Circulate
- HDC – Precept. It was agreed that no increase be sought and the Clerk is to reply accordingly.
- Clerks & Councils Direct. Circulate

9. Any Other Business

Mr Brown requested that the Parish Plan be put on February's agenda and could the Councillors in the meantime consider how best to generate support if it is agreed to proceed.

Mr Brown also commented on the increase in dog mess in the village that always happens this time of year.

Mr Simpson queried the scaffolding that has been on a building at the top of South Back Lane for some time and obstructs the pavement. Clerk is to look into this.

Mr Spark advised that only 70 letters of support against the closure of the Post Office had been received in the shop in Tollerton. The Councillors thought that this was very poor but reflected the apathy of many people in the village.

Mr Spark advised that he had received a complaint about RMJ Builders using the front garden of 35 Church Close to keep a skip and a trailer. He appears to be transferring waste, which is illegal, and the Clerk is to report the matter to Hambleton District Council.

Meeting open to the public 7.55pm

Mr Russon thanked the Parish Council on behalf of the Sports & Recreation Club for its continued financial support. This funding enabled the continued running of the Club and allowed the committee to focus on fundraising capital projects which have been successful.

Mr Pratt commented on the lack of Councillor presence at either the planning meeting or the site visit in connection with the proposed affordable housing development. The No Councillors had been able to attend due to the timings of both events and work commitments. Mr Pratt commented that District Councillor Campbell had also failed to attend the meeting.

Meeting closed 8pm

Approved:
Chairman