

Minutes of the Meeting of Walton Parish Council held on 9th January 2006

Present

Councillors Fothergill, McKay, Harrison, Waring, Lister, Naylor and the Clerk

Also present at the meeting was Catherine Wilkinson, Clerk to Boston Spa Parish Council

1. Apologies for Absence

Councillor Atkinson.

2. Declaration of Interests

There were no interests to be declared.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous Meeting, held on 12th December 2005, having been previously circulated, were approved and signed.

4. Matters Arising

a). Police Matters

P.C.Booth was unable to attend the meeting.

b). A1 Action Meeting - 13th December 2005

The meeting outlined the evidence, which had been put together by the caucus group and discussed what remained to be done before the evidence deadline for the public inquiry.

c). A1 Upgrade - Update - Public Inquiry etc.

The Clerk had sent two letters to the A1 Action Group as requested by Peter Locke. One confirming the views of the members of Walton Parish Council regarding Springs Lane and the second confirming that the members of Walton PC are happy for Peter Locke to represent them at the forthcoming Public Inquiry. The Council had been informed by the A1 Action Group that Leeds City Council had decided not to make representation at the Public Inquiry but just to send written evidence. It was agreed to write to A1 Action stating that the members of Walton PC felt that this may be detrimental to their case as they were hoping for the support of Leeds City Council at the Inquiry on the matter of Springs Lane.

5. Correspondence

a). Letter from David Gawthorpe

A response had been received from David Gawthorpe acknowledging the letter of thanks sent by Walton PC.

b). Letter from Groundwork Trust.

Information and a CD-ROM had been received from Groundwork Trust as a result of the bulb planting carried out around the village.

6. Planning

a). Planning Application - W, B & A. Kilby & Sons - Outline Permission for an Agricultural Dwelling

There were no objections to this application and it was agreed that the Council should write to the planning department to endorse this application.

7. Finance

a). Precept

The precept form was completed and signed by the Clerk and the Chair and will be sent off to Leeds.

b). Warden

A request had been received from WARDEN for the Annual Subscription and it was agreed that this should be paid.

c). Annual Audit

The Annual Audit was received back from Mazars and now needs to be advertised. Enclosed with the Audit return was a bill for Audit Fees of £70.50 and it was agreed that this should be paid.

8. Any Other Business

a). Hedge at King's - Moor Farm

This hedge has now been trimmed back.

b). Bus Shelter

It was agreed to e-mail Kate Hutchinson to see what progress has been made with Metro with regard to the Bus Shelter.

c). Clerk

Catherine Wilkinson who is currently Clerk at Boston Spa, attended the meeting to discuss the possibility of taking on the position of Clerk at Walton as well as Boston Spa. This was discussed and Catherine agreed to take on the role starting at the February meeting. The present Clerk will do a hand over sometime before the next meeting and both clerks will attend the February meeting.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was fixed for Wednesday 16th February 2006 at 7.30pm.
There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.35 hours.