

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF SPROTROUGH & CUSWORTH  
PARISH COUNCIL HELD 16 FEBRUARY, 2012 AT THE  
GOLDSMITH CENTRE, SPROTROUGH**

Present: Cllrs: P. Haith (Chair), M. Wood, T. Ashman, R. Bartlett, R.A. Jones, J. Ward, A. Weston, A. Smith, S. Platt, J. Rodgers, K. Wood, A. Green, L. Chipp, M. Greenhalgh.

In attendance: Cllr. D. Woodhouse and 6 members of the public.

Apologies: Resolved: That apologies received from Cllrs. P. Womack and J. Nightingale, with reasons for absence approved, be accepted.

3038. **DECLARATION OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST**

Cllrs. S. Platt, L. Chipp and M. Wood declared a personal interest in item 6 of the agenda.

3039. **CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS**

Resolved: That page 5 of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held 19 January, 2012 be discussed with press and public excluded under the provision of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

3040. **SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS AND PAYMENTS DUE**

Resolved: That items to be paid, as set out, be approved for immediate payment in the sum of £10,708.18.

3041. **MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC**

It was reported that S.L.A.G. had now been disbanded and thanks were extended to the Parish Council for their support during the campaign to keep the library open.

The Parish Council reiterated that the seat to be erected by Area 51 by the side of the access road to the skate park would need to have a back.

A request that the Parish Council consider the provision of a 'kick in' football facility at New Lane was noted.

3042. **SPROTROUGH LIBRARY**

*PS Haith*

Following the disbanding of S.L.A.G. the Friends of Sprotbrough Library had taken over and some volunteers were currently undergoing training. Following a meeting with DMBC it was confirmed that the library building would only be leased to a Management Committee, run by a community group, they would not lease to a statutory authority with substantial funds. The Heads of Terms and Service Level Agreements had been received and once the Lease Agreement had been received they would be sent to the Parish Council solicitor for his views. Hopefully this would assist the Management Committee. The Parish Council reiterated it's previous assurance that it would help the Management Committee financially wherever possible.

3043. POLICE MATTERS

There had been no response from the police regarding attendance or a report.

It was noted that proposals had been presented to residents by DMBC in order to resolve the parking problems at Richmond Hill school.

It was agreed that a letter be sent to whoever had taken the decision to close the access from Cusworth Lane to Saltersgate School to reconsider this decision as it would increase the amount of traffic through the estate.

3044. PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 19.1.12

Resolved: That the Minutes of the above meeting be confirmed as a true record.

Arising: Minute 3034 – Correspondence

A letter had been received from a resident of Cusworth Lane asking if two trees could be planted to replace missing ones.

It was agreed that two trees be obtained subject to price. A quote of £205 had been given for a Christmas tree as requested by a resident in the village. It was agreed that this be purchased subject to consent and agreement from DMBC.

3045. PLANNING MATTERS *PLDant*

New Applications

12/0161/LB13 : Listed Building Consent for the provision of new window within the east wing elevation.

Cusworth Hall, Cusworth

12/0137/FUL : Erection of two storey pitched roof extensions to front and rear of detached dwelling.

Windyridge, Park Drive, Sprotbrough

12/0220/FUL : Erection of pitched roof porch and additional window to front elevation and pitched roof utility extension to rear of detached bungalow.

The Beeches, Spinney Hill, Sprotbrough

12/0266/COU : Retrospective application for change of use from storage/distribution (Class B8) to vehicle repairs and sales.

Rear of 243 Sprotbrough Road, Sprotbrough

12/0287/FUL : Erection of single storey pitched roof extension to rear of detached dwelling following demolition of existing conservatory.

19 Allendale Gardens, Sprotbrough

12/0294/FUL : Erection of 2 storey pitched roof extension to side of semi detached house following demolition of existing conservatory.

12 Bridge Grove, Cusworth

Resolved: That no observations be made in respect of the above applications.

3046. POLICY & GENERAL PURPOSES MATTERS

Newsletter/Web site

A meeting was to be held in the near future to discuss items for inclusion in the Spring edition of the newsletter. Any member wishing to



contribute an article to contact the Clerk.

67<sup>th</sup> Scouts

A request from the above Scout group to use New Lane for a Gala/Fun Day on 23/24 June, 2012 was agreed.

Newlands Park play area

A meeting had been arranged for 5 March to look at the location for a proposed play area.

Anchorage Lane site

No issues.

Goldsmith Centre site

No issues.

New Lane site

Having heard a request to provide a junior football pitch at New Lane it was pointed out that, following a feasibility study by DMBC, it would not be possible due to drainage issues and rock formation. A request from a resident for the provision of a 'kick in' facility would be investigated.

Skate Park Fun Day

A request had been received from Area 51 for use of the site for a fun day on 8 July. This would be based on previous events apart from extending the finishing time from 6pm to 7.30pm.

This request was agreed subject to the necessary legal requirements being met.

Parish Council Notice Board – Scawsby

It was noted that the notice board had been vandalised to the extent that the doors had to be scrapped and the back had been ripped out.

The Deputy Clerk would arrange to have a new backing fitted but if this was again vandalised then the notice board would be removed and local shops asked if they would be prepared to display notices for an amount to be agreed.

*R. Park*

Goldsmith Centre Committee Room/Office heating

The new heating system had now been installed.

3047. QUEENS JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Correspondence had been received from N.A.L.C. asking if the Parish Council had any planned celebrations and inviting the Parish Council to light a beacon. The Clerk would obtain further information and enquire whether this could be located in Cusworth Park.

3048. MEETINGS/CONFERANCES ATTENDED

Cllr. R. Bartlett presented a written report on the training day organised by Planning Aid on 19 January 2012 which covered the introduction of Neighbourhood Plans.

Having considered the implications, Cllr. Bartlett's view was that issues should be identified by members on a Ward basis and advice sought. However, it was his view that this was a very costly and time consuming issue.

3049. CORRESPONDENCE

All items of correspondence were duly noted.

THIS CONCLUDED THE PUBLIC BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

*R Bartlett*