

KIRKBYMOORSIDE TOWN COUNCIL

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KIRKBYMOORSIDE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING Minutes of the meeting held on 17 May 2011 at the Methodist Hall, Kirkbymoorside

14 electors, 5 Councillors, 1 Member of the Press and the Assistant to the Clerk were present.

1. <u>Welcome</u>

The meeting was chaired by Councillor Chris Dowie, Town Mayor, who welcomed everyone. This year, the Kirkbymoorside Community Award was awarded to both Rita Gibson and Malcolm Hodgson and presented by Councillor Dowie.

A form for nominations for the Community Award 2012 will soon be available from the Town Council office and the deadline is 31 Jan 12 for nominations.

2. <u>Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting</u>

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14 April 2010 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman introduced members of the Town Council and reported on the following:

- An advisory Committee had looked at the Old Library and made recommendations not to convert it at present.
- In consultation with North Yorkshire County Council, a strong case was made to maintain the library in Church House and to increase usage.
- The Council will endeavour to give value for money and keep a close eye on expenditure.
- Flooding has affected the town in the past year. The Town Council will continue to press the local authorities for solutions.
- The Town Council will provide a range of services, be open to suggestions and endeavour to keep local residents informed.
- Councillor Dowie said that she was looking forward to working with the new council.

5. <u>Reports from Voluntary Organisations</u>

a) <u>History Group</u>

Mr Robin Butler, the Chairman of the History Group, said that since reforming in 2009, the Group have raised its profile. With a grant from Ryedale District Council, they have produced a series of publications featuring the town's heritage. They would like to repair the tomb in the churchyard of the Petch family and will request a grant from the Town Council. The Group would like to find more space available to display items of interest but at the moment these are being kept in order to preserve them for future generations. If anyone would like to donate items the History Group will keep them safe.

Environment Group

Helen Gundry said that the Eco Building will replace the Old Canteen next to the Primary school and will be modular and well insulated. The demolition of the Old Canteen starts on 1 Aug 11. The new centre will provide full, flexible day acre from the age of two.

'Raising Cycling in Ryedale' is an informal partnership which encourages locals and tourists to use their bikes in Ryedale. A cycle track would link up Kirkbymoorside with Keldholme on the A170 and this is being discussed.

c) <u>Kirkby In Bloom</u>

Gaynor De Barr said that they have had considerable success with in bloom entries but raising funds is an on-going challenge as £4000 is needed every year for plants etc. The future of Scarborough Park Department looks uncertain so they must look at contingency measures. Mrs De Barr thanked businesses who support the group and those members of the community who donate. Kirkby In Bloom hope to hold an Open Gardens this year.

5. <u>Parish Plans</u>

Maggie Farey from Rural Action Yorkshire gave a short presentation about Parish Plans, now known as Community led Plans. She said that the first step is to set up a Public Awareness Meeting and have an independent steering group to lead this. She is happy to give advice as required to the group.

6. <u>Waind's Field Development</u>

Mr Roy Boardman from Trilandium Homes was unable to make the meeting and sent his apologies.

7. Issues and Concerns

The following points were made by Members of the Public:

- Cars, particularly with blown out exhausts speed in and around the centre of Kirkbymoorside causing disruption and are potentially dangerous. The Police have been made aware and there is a Community Police Liaison Meeting soon.
- Youth Group Café suggestion. Possibly look at using Church House, extend opening times and have volunteers there. To be considered although there is currently a mobile Youth Club.
- Youth Council try and encourage the young people in the town to start one. Ask the headmasters of Ryedale and Lady Lumley's to promote this.
- A question regarding the Bus Shelter and what has happened to it? The Town Mayor said that there was nothing further planned at present due to costs.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

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Chairman 11 April 2012