

# Menston Community Association

## Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 6 January 2010

**Present:** Alan Elsegood (AE) - Chair, Julia Bateson (JB)Chris Hartley (CH), Quentin Mackenzie (QM), Dave Manson (DM), Cllr Dale Smith (DS), Glyn Martill (GM)Peter Ward (PW). Peter Wilkinson (PWi), Paul Wilkes (PWi)

**Apologies:** Audrey Brand (AB), Barry Brand (BB), Dale Cordingley (DC), Cllr Chris Greaves (CG), Sue Greaves (SG),

### Action

#### 1. Minutes from the last meeting

- Minutes from 2 December 2009 meeting were approved.

#### 2. Matters arising

##### • Newsletter

Draft designs to be issued to the MCA for feedback by Alison Manson (AM) before end of January

AM

PW had obtained quotes of £400 for folding & printing, Chippindale quoted £65 for folding  
AE explained that he wants to ensure that the production of the Newsletter is not dependent on one person.

Agreed that JB/PWi/DM & PW to get together and decide on way forward prior to March meeting & to consider funding/advertising/Parish Council collaboration.

JB/DM/PW/PWi

#### 3. Treasurer's Report

- GM reported that he had received £120 for the Smile advert in the previous issue of the Newsletter and £110 from '1875' for the next issue. The adverts currently cover the cost of producing the Newsletter however this does depend on the number of pages.
- Costs - meeting room hire £20 per committee meeting, annual insurance premium £251
- QM to email JB a Parish Council grant application form.
- GM to prepare a budget before the next meeting in March.

QM  
GM

#### 4. Parish Council

- Metro are looking at a car parking strategy for the whole of West Yorkshire, and currently not looking to progress a car parking scheme at Menstone Club.
- Menstone Club & Parish Council are discussing the options for car parking at the club however there are no firm proposals.
- Kirklands - resurfacing of the car park is expected to occur between 8 Feb - 2 April and the kitchen refurb between 3 - 30 Mar.
- Community cleaning - funds available.

#### 5. Menston In Bloom (MiB)

- Menston Primary School - the new trees and lights at the front of the school had been well received.
- Kirklands - the new lights were very effective.
- MiB are looking for feedback on creating a new identity for Menston. The favourite scheme at the moment is for a consistent design of seating. To be discussed at next MiB meeting.

#### 6. Website Report (received from DC)

- The service was disrupted fully for a day and intermittent over nearly two weeks due to a fault at our Internet Service Provider during December. The fault was caused by a failure of their servers and incorrect re-instatement of the system. The faults then took a lot of time to resolve, exacerbated by communication delays with the States. John Houlihan helped in this process whilst I was away for a few days. The issue is now resolved and the system is stable.
- Not surprisingly the number of visitors for December was down from 876 in November to 768.
- A few bits of tidying up have been done to 'remove' older articles. If you see any others that need removing, please let me know.
- The most popular pages during the month were:
- MCA

- Village news
- Planning
- MPC
- About Menston
- Website bite backups taken.
- Little new info. has been provided to update the website, but I will look at the newsletter and select items to publish shortly.

## 7. Planning & Highways

- St Johns Park 2 applications on the East side, one for one dwelling, the other for 2 dwellings.
- Buckle Lane “traffic calming” measures. Plans available in the Library.
- Menston Hall - Affordable housing - DS advised that because it is part Government funded it will not be possible to limit buyers to the local community. InCommunities are to make a presentation at the February Forum.
- Quarry on Derry Hill - last application refused & is being appealed.
- 2 new applications - 35 Viewlands, a 2 storey detached house & Cleasby Court, 3 bed detached property with a garage.
- Derry Hill development now proceeding at pace. Highways are expecting a proposal by end of Jan planning meeting ref the roads, and the developers are expected to submit their plans within the next few weeks. It is expected to be a split site with 20 houses exiting on to Moor Lane & 170 houses exiting to Derry Hill.
- 33/33a bus route - CG, Metro & Bradford MDC have made representations to First, & discussions are ongoing. Further information awaited.

## 8. Aircraft and Airport Consultative Committee

- AE had requested further information about how many complaints and complainants had originated from Menston.
- 52 complaints from Menston were generated by 21 people (1 x 10 complaints, 2 x 8 complaints, 2 x 3, 4 x 2, 12 x 1)
- AE sent an email to Carl Lapworth & Dave Smillie to say that their report on overflying had been well received & thanked them for the tracking graphs.
- Will consider inviting the Airport to the June Forum.
- Agreed that that we would remove this agenda item from future agendas.

AE

## 9. Matters under periodic review

- **Walks notice board**  
Nothing to report - still expected for completion by end June 2010.
- **Secondary school provision**  
Nothing to report.
- **Childrens' Centre facility at Kirklands**  
See Parish Council comment.
- **Cricket Club and potential youth facilities**  
DS advised that youth facilities are in place on Monday evenings at Kirklands & Thursday evenings at the Fairfax Club.

JH

SG

## 10. Correspondence

- None.

## 11. AOB.

- None.

## 12. Date of next meeting

- Forum - Weds 3 February 2010 at 19.30 at Kirklands.
- MCA Committee Meeting - Weds 3 March at Methodist Church Hall.