

MINUTES of an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

held on Monday 9th September 2024 at 7pm in Scholes Sports Pavilion

PRESENT:

Councillor	Stella Walsh (Chair)		
Councillors	Karen Dales	Kinga Ragg	Chris Shoesmith
	John Hayton	Paul Remmer	Gillian Williamson

In attendance: The Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Review Group (NPRG) and the Clerk.

1 APOLOGIES

Cllr. P. Walsh

2 VACANT POSITIONS IN THE BARWICK WARD.

It was **resolved** that Chris Shoesmith be co-opted to fill one of the vacant positions in the Barwick Ward, all in favour. He duly signed his declaration of acceptance of office which was witnessed by the Clerk.

3 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST.

None.

4 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REVIEW GROUP (NPRG) TO THE PARISH COUNCIL REGARDING A POSSIBLE ALLOCATION OF THE SCHOLES SAFEGUARDED SITES FOR HOUSING IN THE LEEDS LOCAL PLAN 2040

The meeting discussed the matters raised by the Chair of the NPRG at the meeting of 2nd September 2024, see Public Participation of that meeting, page 804. There was a concern that a similar exercise was not being done regarding sites put forward in the Barwick in Elmet half of the Parish. The Chair of the NPRG stressed that the Scholes site did not enjoy the greenbelt status afforded to the sites in Barwick in Elmet, hence the proposal to meet the developer for the Scholes site. He and the Chair were meeting the Integrated Care Board on Thursday 12th September. He read out an email which he had received from the developer (which the Clerk then circulated to all). It was **resolved** that the recommendation of the NPRG, that the Group meets with the developer to discuss the draft vision and advise the developer of key issues in the Parish and that they then report back to the PC on the meeting so that the PC can decide how it wanted to proceed. This was on the strict understanding that this meeting was purely to gather information about their proposals.

5 SCHOLES PLAYGROUND.

Leeds City Council had been made aware of the PC decision made at the meeting of 2nd September 2024 to contribute towards the cost of Scholes playground refurbishment. This agenda item had been tabled to discuss any matters which might arise from that offer, but LCC had accepted the PC offer unconditionally and no further discussion was necessary.

6 BARWICK AND SCHOLES FOOTBALL CLUB.

Barwick and Scholes Football Club had been made aware of the PC decision made at the meeting of 2nd September 2024 to allow them to relocate from Scholes to Barwick (see item 7.2, page 806) and had requested exclusive use of the facilities. A decision on this was deferred to the next meeting.

7 SCHOLES ALLOTMENTS AND ASSOCIATED GRASSLAND.

The owners of the allotment plots and associated grassland at Scholes had been made aware of the offer by the PC spread over two financial years, see the minutes of the meeting of 2nd September 2024, item 7.1, page 806. The owners had accepted the offer of the PC provided that the PC paid their legal costs. They were seeking to place an overage clause on the land and to have a set completion date. The Chair of the NPRG commented that their agent had not carried out a red book

valuation. The indemnity insurance policy provided by the owners was in perpetuity and there were no concerns regarding it. It wasn't clear if the policy would transfer to the PC if they bought the land. Pedestrian access was the only proven access to the land, but the risk was deemed to be low. Consideration was given to delegating the handling of aspects of this purchase. The risk would be deferred. It was **resolved** to offer to contribute towards the owner's legal fees up to a maximum of £1,000 (including VAT).

8 PLANNING MATTERS

Application number & date	Applicant	Description
24/04348/FU	1 Elmet Road	Demolition of existing rear conservatory; Single storey front extension; single storey rear extension; two storey side extension
24/04576/COND	Land Between Wetherby Road, Skeltons Lane and York Road Leeds LS14	Consent, agreement or approval of Condition 29 to Planning Application 12/02571/OT
24/04850/FU/NE	1 Saw Wood Barns, York Road	Single storey rear extension
Consideration of the above three planning applications was deferred until the next meeting. Councillors were asked to send any comments that they might have to the Clerk who would respond accordingly using his delegated authority		

9 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Date	Time	Meeting	Venue
9 th September 2024	Finance and General Purposes Committee		Scholes Sports Pavilion
	Immediately following the conclusion of the extraordinary meeting		
7 th October 2024	7pm	Parish Council meeting	Scholes Sports Pavilion
14 th October 2024	7:30pm	Playing Fields Committee	Barwick Miner's Welfare

Note: The wording of agenda items to be submitted in writing to the Proper Officer at least ten clear days before a meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:22pm.

Signed

Vice-Chair
7 October 2024