

Decision Summary

Committee: District Committee - Kirklees Rural
Date: 11 September 2014
Committee Clerk: Julie McDowell
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Chair

Cllr Edgar Holroyd-Doveton in the Chair

Councillors Attended

Bill Armer, Donna K Bellamy, Jim Dodds, Donald M Firth, Charles Greaves, Christine Iredale, Andrew C G Marchington, Hilary S Richards, David Ridgway, Graham Turner, Nicola Turner

Apologies

Councillors Robert Barraclough, Derek Hardcastle, Nigel Patrick, Ken Sims, Terry Lyons and Elaine Ward. Apologies were also received from members of the public.

Public Attendees

25 Members of public

1. Membership of the committee

The Chair will welcome everyone and introduce members of the Committee to the public.

Decision: The Chair opened the meeting and members of the committee introduced themselves.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

To approve the Minutes of the meetings of the former area committees held on:
07 April 2014, Denby Dale, Kirkburton & Mirfield Area Committee
19 March 2014, Colne Valley Area Committee
27 March 2014, Holme Valley Area Committee

Decision: Agreed (1) That the minutes of the following committee meetings be approved as correct records; Denby Dale, Kirkburton & Mirfield Area Committee held on 7 April 2014 and Colne Valley Area Committee held on 19 March 2014.

(2) That the minutes of the Holme Valley Area Committee meeting held on 27 March 2014 be approved as a correct record subject to removal of Cllr Edgar Holroyd- Doveton's name from the list of councillors present.

3. Interests

The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have disclosable pecuniary interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items, or any other interests

Decision: Councillor Bill Armer declared a personal interest in Agenda item 9 re applications for funding by Shelley Community Football Club and Shepley VA war memorial, and remained in the meeting.

4. Admission of the public

Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

Decision: Agreed that all items be discussed in public session.

5. Deputations / Petitions

The Committee will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

Decision: None were received.

6. Kirklees Rural District Committee – Arrangements 2014-15

In June 2014 Council established 4 district committees. District committees currently have the same powers and delegated authority as the former area committees. This item sets out how the Kirklees Rural District Committee will operate this Municipal year.

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Decision: Noted the arrangements.

7. Kirklees Rural District Committee - Membership

The committee will consider the appointment of co-optees from the Colne Valley & Golcar wards onto the District Committee.

The committee will consider Parish Council representation on the District Committee.

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Decision: Agreed (1) That the nominations of Jean Margetts, Michael Moores, Chris Woolnough and Deborah Wright be put forward to the full Council meeting on 1st October for appointment as co-opted members to Kirklees Rural District Committee 2014-15.

(2) That the following nominations from the parish councils be put forward to the full Council meeting on 1st October for appointment as representatives on the Kirklees Rural District Committee 2014-15:

Denby Dale Parish Council - Richard Brook, Polly Ann Flinders
Holme Valley Parish Council - Greg Christofi, Charles Kaye, Mrs J Roberts

Kirkburton Parish Council - Jimmy Paxton, Ben Wightman
Meltham Town Council - Jean Danson, Pat Maxfield

8. Policing & Community Safety in our Rural Communities

The committee will receive a presentation on the new West Yorkshire Policing structures, and discuss Community Safety Partnership activities in the rural areas.

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Decision: Received a presentation which highlighted Community Safety priorities for local people and work by the partnership and neighbourhood policing team to tackle issues. In particular campaigns to tackle stone theft, bogus callers and report it cards. Noted no.s to phone for crime/ emergencies is 999 and for local issues of concern 101. Noted future challenges.

Thanked Insp Trueman, Chris Walsh and Helen Simpson for their input.

9. Budget Report

An update on the District Committee budgets. The committee will consider grant criteria and applications for funding.

Kirklees RURAL District Grants Criteria 2014-15
2014-07-24 Discretionary - WW1 Commemorative Event
2014-09-11 Support to NMG HVS
2014-09-11 Holmfirth Food Drink 2014
2014-09-11 Shelley Community Football Club
2014-09-11 Shepley VA War Memorial
2014-09-11 Marsden Community Association
2014-09-11 GrantGolcarNScouts

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Decision: Agreed (1) That current budget position and £500 discretionary grant towards WW1 commemorative event 6/7 September be noted.

(2) That the Kirklees Rural District Committee Grant Scheme 2014-15 be approved.

(3) That applications for funding be approved:
£2k revenue to top up Holme Valley South Neighbourhood Management Group budget for community safety initiatives.
£1k revenue to 25th Salendine Nook Scouts for external brick work repair and new weather proof render.
£2k revenue to Holmfirth Enterprise & Development Ltd towards Holmfirth Food & Drink Festival 2014 subject to feedback on how sponsorship from Kirklees Council has been spent.
£1,228 capital to Shepley Village Assoc. towards resurfacing area around war memorial and bronze placque.
£3k capital to Shelley Community Football Assoc. towards covered seating and ground erosion protection of pitch at Storthes Hall club site.

(4) That application from Marsden Community Assoc. for community noticeboards be refused.

10. Public question time

The Committee will hear any questions from the general public. Questions submitted in advance of the meeting may enable a fuller response to be given at the meeting. If you wish to give notice of a question please contact: Councillor Edgar Holroyd-Doveton, Chair of Kirklees Rural District Committee, Tel: 07917 354959 or email: edgar.holroyd-doveton@kirklees.gov.uk. Alternatively, contact Julie McDowell, Area and Neighbourhood Action Co-ordinator, on the contact details below.

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Decision: Cllr Nicola Turner asked the Chair for information on meetings which are discussing devolution and powers to district committees. The Chair responded that the Cabinet working party is discussing models, no decision have yet been made and that there will be a workshop on 25th September for members of this committee to discuss and feed in ideas.

Cllr David Ridgway asked the Chair whether a decision has been made to devolve waste collection. The Chair responded that no decisions have been made yet.

Cllr David Ridgway asked that the public meetings for this committee be held in more central locations. It was agreed that the meetings should continue to rotate across the district in community venues.

Kirklees Youth Councillors asked a number of questions including could these meetings be better publicised and devolution.

A question was asked about publicising ward councillor contact details.

11. Dates of future meetings

The date of the next meetings 7.00-9.00pm
Thursday 13 November 2014, Venue to be confirmed
Thursday 12 February 2015, Venue to be confirmed

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Decision: Noted the agreed dates and that the Nov meeting will take place at a community venue in Golcar/ Colne Valley and Kirkburton in February, venues to be confirmed.