



**Heysham
Neighbourhood
Council**

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**Executive Meeting
Wednesday 27th February 2008
Heysham Youth & Community Centre**

Start 19.45

In The Chair: Mr David Wilcock (Vice Chairman)

Clerk: Mrs Allison Thomas

Members Present:

Eric Briggs, Janice Whaley, Graeme Austin, and Sheila Hindson

1. Apologies

Peter Whaley, Brian Reeve, Paul Mallett

2 Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd January 2008

At Heysham Youth & Community Centre were accepted as a true record, and were proposed by Mrs Sheila Hindson and seconded by Mr Eric Briggs.

3. Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda

The Tourism Board has now been completed and information is on display. Mr Peter Whaley will monitor the condensation that appeared this week and all members were asked to keep 'a close eye' on the board in case of vandalism.

4. Correspondence

- (a) Leaflet from The Playing Fields Association was circulated.
- (b) An email dated 12th February 2008 from Debbie Threlfall Senior Planning Control Officer confirming that a visit to Heysham Mossgate site had taken place to monitor the rubbish.

As reported at the last meeting the situation has improved now with the removal of the open electricity boxes and cable drums.

5. Finance

Enquiries have been made into the possibility of internet banking, unfortunately this is not possible as the account needs two signatories.

6. Community Policing

Mr Graeme Austin reported that he has attended a Policing Day at Morecambe with the Policing Team discussing plans for the next 6-8 months. Priorities include Heysham Mossgate fires, antisocial behaviour and improving the circulation of Heysham Beat news.

7. Planning

Application no: 08/00160/FUL Grid ref: 341164/461370
Erection of Toilet Block and changing room - Mr Philip Lee

Site address: Heysham Village Carpark

An extension to the comment deadline has been requested and the plans were discussed.

The committee are in principle happy with this new facility but do have questions on the design of the building which will be sent onto the Planning Department.

The areas of concern include:

- (a) The loss of parking spaces and how this will impact on the village and events.
- (b) The reduction in capacity of the toilets in comparison to the present facility.
- (c) The design layout of the toilet unit with regard to the door opening onto the field – lack of privacy.

7. Parish Council Status

As reported in the local press the creation of a Heysham Parish Council will not go ahead.

The consultation regarding the inclusion of Heysham North Ward as part of the Parish Council resulted in only four replies (3 against and 1 for).

The committee felt strongly that the consultation process was seriously flawed with respect to the community not knowing about the process taking place.

A letter outlining our dissatisfaction with the way the process was undertaken will be sent to Gillian Noall at Democratic Services Lancaster City Council.

8. A.O.B

Mr Eric Briggs reported that there will be another doctors surgery created in Heysham.

Mr Brian Reeve and Mr Graeme Austin attended the Mayoral Reception for Parish Councils and Parish Meetings on Monday 25th February.

The Vice Chairman thanked the Chairman and the committee for all their hard work with the production of the Tourism Board.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 21.15

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____