Minutes of the proceedings of Valley Park Parish Council held on Monday 14 April 2008 at 8.00pm at the Knightwood Leisure Centre Valley Park

Present: Councillor A Dowden (Chairman) and Councillors C Anderson, R Bryan, Mrs C Dowden, and Mrs K Oliver.

Action

77 Apologies For Absence

The Clerk reported the apologies for absence which he had received from Councillors Mrs L Guy and Mrs A Dyde. In relation to this item the clerk reported that both councillors Greg and Tamara Bentley-Bloor had failed to attend a meeting of the Parish Council for a consecutive six month period and that as a result their position as Parish Councillors had now lapsed. The Clerk would now report the matter to the returning officer at TVBC.

Clerk

Members understood that if an election was to be called this would cost the Parish Council approximately £7,500 and therefore they hoped that, in order to avoid this cost for the Parishioners of Valley Park, they would be able to co opt two new Parish members.

78 Minutes

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 10 March 2008 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

79 Anti social Behaviour

Rob Green, the local accredited community safety officer attended the meeting and gave a report on his activities during the period 1st February 2008 to 11th April 2008. The main issue during the period appeared to be graffiti removal. Members were pleased to hear that during the period incidents reported via the non emergency 101 number had been very few, only four since the beginning of February.

Rob advised that as part of his performance targets he had to organise a community project for his area. He therefore proposed to members that he organise a festival for Valley Park during the summer period which he thought could follow on from the Teddy bear picnic event. He proposed that the focus of this event be "Bringing the Community Together"

Members considered this to be an excellent idea which deserved the full support of the Parish Council.

Resolved:

That the community project "Valley Park Festival" as suggested by Rob Green be supported.

Rob Green

80 Accounts

The Clerk submitted details of accounts received and paid since the last meeting as follows:-

£

Mr A R Purr 714.92 Clerks Salary – Quarterly

Allowance - Mileage

Stationary

H M Revenue 282.22 Tax 168.96 - NI 79.38

Resolved:

That the accounts as set out above be approved for payment.

81 Borough and County member Reports

Councillor Mrs Dowden gave an update on the new political management arrangements which TVBC hoped to put in place soon for the Borough. She also advised on the current situation in relation to TVBC Standards Committee and the local filtering which was due to take effect from 1st April. This had now been delayed until 1st May when it was hoped that government guidance would be available.

The Chairman reported that he had received Draft traffic Regulation orders for Valley Park (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Prohibition of Driving Order 2008). These orders would be shortly put out for consultation.

The Chairman also reported that he had received notification of a possible planning application at great Covert Park. Developers had unveiled proposals for 1050 new homes, offices and community facilities at Great Covert Park which they thought would set new standards in sustainability and design.

The proposals had been developed by the land owners having consulted with Test Valley Borough Council and were set within 216 acres of land off Castle Lane to the west of Chandler's Ford. A total of 80 acres of land would be used for the new homes, a central square, retail, leisure, commercial and community facilities with the remainder set aside for retained woodland areas, landscaped boundary areas and recreational use.

To date TVBC had not received a planning application but when they did the Parish Council would be consulted and local people would also be notified. The Parish Council would of course look to protect the interests of local people. Presently the land in question did not form part of TVBC's core strategy for development.

82 Planning Applications

Application 08/00922/FULLS 26 Swale drive Chandlers Ford Single storey rear conservatory

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

Application 08/00890/FULLS 15 Merlin Way Chandlers Ford Erection of Conservatory

Resolved:

That no comment be made

Application 08/00844/Fulls
32 Bramble Hill Chandlers Ford
Erection of single Storey rear extension.

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

Application 08/00792/Fulls
9 Burley Down Chandlers Ford
Erection of conservatory to side of property

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

Application 07/03491/TPOS Schedule of works to trees in woodland south/west of Marlborough Court

Resolved:

That subject to no objection from the Arboriculture Officer then no comment be made.

Action

Application 08/00790/Fulls 9 Burley Down Chandlers Ford Enclosure of Front Porch

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

Application 08/02920/Fulls 105 Morgan Ley Fay Drive Chandlers Ford Change of use of land to incorporate as part of residential curtalage enclosed with fence panels.

Resolved:

That an objection be made on the grounds that it would alter the street scene as a result of fencing of the open plan area.

Application 08/00753/Fulls
17 Teviot Road Chandlers Ford
Erection of two storey side extension to provide addition al living nand bedroom accommodation.

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

Application 08/00568/Fulls
35 Merrick Way Chandlers Ford
Single storey pitched roof rear extension

Resolved:

That no comment be made

Application 08/00751/Fulls
10 Danebury Gardens Chandlers Ford
Conversion of part of existing garage to living accommodation. Alterations to raise existing garage roof to accommodate additional bedroom space.

Resolved:

That no comment be made

The meeting ended at 9.30pm