

**Minutes of the proceedings of Valley Park Parish Council held on Monday
14 September 2009 at 7.30pm at the Knightwood Leisure Centre Valley Park**

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

Apologies: Apologies for absence were received from Councillors, C Anderson, J Barton, G Compton, Mrs L Guy and Mrs K Oliver.

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21 Minutes

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 July 2009 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

22 Anti Social Behaviour

Jon Whale (HCC Assistant Head of Regulatory Services) attended the meeting and gave a report on his team's activities to date. He also reported that HCC would be looking at changes to funding and spending proposals for the way his services were to be delivered in the future. In particular he explained that there were five major priorities to be examined these were, Anti Social Behaviour, Domestic Abuse, Substance Misuse, Prolific and Priority Offenders and how crime reports were obtained. It looked likely that Anti Social Behaviour would be coordinated locally.

Clive Fortune, one of the local ACSO's, also attended the meeting and explained the position with regard to information sharing between the police and the ACSO's. He suggested that whilst this was generally good there was room for improvement. With respect to TVBC wardens there was not much in the way of joint working and this was an area that needed attention.

Clive also presented the incident reports for Valley Park for the period 1st March to 1st September 2009 and members were pleased to see that the number of crime related issues in Valley Park was decreasing.

Resolved:

That Jon Whale be thanked for attending the meeting and that his report be noted.

23 Provision Of Grit and Salt Boxes

The Chairman reminded members that funds had been provided in the

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Budget for the provision of grit and salt boxes in the current financial year so as to assist the public if there was a repetition of last year's severe weather conditions during the winter. An article had been placed in the Council news letter asking residents if they would let the Council know of any preferred locations. An order would then be placed with HCC who would obtain the boxes on our behalf. HCC would ensure that the boxes were filled with grit and salt.

Resolved:

That grit and Salt Boxes be provided at various locations within Valley Park.

24 Accounts

The Clerk informed members of accounts received and paid since the last meeting

Resolved:

That the accounts be approved for payment.

25 Correspondence

The Clerk advised members that the new bus shelters had been installed and this had resulted in a resident complaining that one of them had been placed directly behind his garden wall. He was particularly concerned about the risk of intrusion now that this shelter had been placed there and also about his ability to maintain his wall. Members agreed to review the situation in six months time and should the resident wish to carry out any maintenance he be advised that the Council will arrange to remove the back panels of the shelter to facilitate this.

26 Winter Planting Schemes

The Chairman put forward proposals for a winter bulb planting scheme in Valley Park. He suggested that TVBC be asked to plant around 1,000 daffodil bulbs on Templars Way from School Lane to Montgomery Way. He also proposed further schemes to be carried out with school children from St Francis and Knightwood Schools.

There were sufficient funds in the budget to accommodate this expenditure.

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Resolved:

That the Winter Planting Schemes as proposed be approved.

Chairman

27 Borough and County Member Reports

The Chairman advised members that he was putting the following motion to the next meeting of Hampshire County Council:-

This Council welcomes the Department of Health's Social Care for Deafblind Children & Adults –LAC (DH) (2009) 6 circular. The implementation of this guidance will have a positive impact upon the support that deafblind people receive. The deafblind guidance expects this council to:

- (1) identify, make contact with and keep a record of the deafblind people locally
- (2) ensure that assessments are carried out by properly trained personnel
- (3) ensure that appropriate services are provided for deafblind people remembering that individual services for people who are deaf or who are blind may not be appropriate for someone who is both deaf and blind.
- (4) ensure that they have access to fully trained, one to one support workers if necessary
- (5) provide information in a suitable format which is accessible to deafblind people
- (6) ensure that a senior manager is given responsibility for deafblind services.

This Council will implement the guidance without delay.

He explained that he had done this because the Department of Health's Social Care for Deafblind Children & Adults now expects all authorities responsible for social care to comply with the guidance, previously authorities were merely asked to take action.

The DHS expects authorities to identify, make contact with and keep a record of deafblind people in their catchment area (including those who have multiple disabilities including dual sensory impairment;)

The Chairman also advised members that he had prepared a news letter for residents and highlighted those articles which had been included. Members endorsed the news letter.

The Chairman also referred to the Flexford Bridge improvements and explained that he had requested these improvements back in 1988 and since then had kept the pressure up for it to be improved. Lack of funding was the reason for the delay but subsequent developers contributions had now made it possible. Councillor Mrs Dyde was pleased that the improvements now made it much safer for pedestrians.

28 Planning Applications

09/01705/Fulls
29 Donnington Drive
Conservatory to rear

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

09/01730/Fulls
55 Morgan Le Fey Drive Chandlers Ford
Side extension

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

09/01660/FULLS
26 Swale Drive Chandlers Ford
Retrospective application for the erection of two fence panels

Resolved:

That no objection be made.

09/01535/Fulls
39 Percival road Chandlers Ford
First floor extension with balcony over the existing ground floor front projection.

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

The Meeting closed at 8.45pm