

**Minutes of the proceedings of Valley Park Parish Council held on Monday
11 June 2012 at 7.30pm at the Knightwood Leisure Centre Valley Park**

Present: Councillor A. Dowden (Chairman) and Councillors Mrs J Adey, C Anderson, A Beesley, R Bryan, Mrs L Farley, Ms J Snow and Mrs K Tilling.

Apology for absence: An apology for absence was received from Councillor Ms P Mukherjee Goodchild.

Action

11 Minutes

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meetings held on 14 May 2012 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

12 Matters Arising

Arising out of minute 4 Councillor Mrs Tilling gave an update with regard to TVBC progress with respect to ward profiling. Officers had now completed a second draft of the ward profile pro forma document and the Clerk was asked to email this to all members for comment with responses by Friday 15 June so that any comments could be given to TVBC officers at a workshop being held on the Saturday morning.

Clerk

13 Winter Bulb Planting and Bench Seat

The Chairman reported that he had recently attended Knightwood Primary School and spoke to the pupils about community issues. The children had recently been out into the community and raised a number of issues that were of concern to them with him. The issues raised included removal of graffiti on a slide in the play park between Tweed Close and Taw Drive, provision of a new dog bin on the pathway leading to the shops from Raglan Close and Pennard Way, provision of two new bus shelters and the provision of a new bench and litter bin at the balancing pond.

The Chairman had been in touch with TVBC officers regarding these concerns and he had been assured that all the issues raised would be dealt with in the near future. The bus shelters would be provided by the Parish Council and a further report on this would come to the Parish Council in due course.

With regard to the proposed winter bulb planting project the Chairman sought approval to a sum of up to £500 to enable this to proceed. He advised members the he hoped David Gower OBE would launch the project in October. He also referred to a grant of up to £2,500 that was available from the County Council which he felt the Parish Council should apply for to fund this and other local projects. Members supported this approach.

Resolved:

That a sum of up to £500 be allocated to the Autumn bulb planting project.

14 Accounts

The Clerk informed members of accounts received since the last meeting.

Resolved:

That the accounts be approved for payment.

15 Borough and County Member Reports

Councillor Mrs Tilling reported that the recently constructed ditch next to Salcombe Close to prevent travellers accessing the recreation land at this location now looked a complete mess and after all the recent rain was full of stagnant water and as a result was considered to be a health and safety hazard.

Members agreed that a letter be sent to TVBC stating that the recently constructed post and rail fence in Castle Lane looked very good and that the Parish Council would like TVBC to erect a similar fence to replace the ditch. Also it was considered that the dragons teeth at the other end of the recreation area did not afford much of a deterrent to access and that as a result a post and rail fence should be constructed at that location.

Councillor Beesley advised that he had a reported that a tree had fallen down between Field View and Barn Piece and that he had asked TVBC officers to remove it.

The Chairman, in his capacity as County Councillor, reported that he had advised HCC that School Lane had been flooded. HCC had assured him that it would be attended to as soon as possible. He also reported that a local resident had wanted to dispose of some contaminated petrol but was unable to do so at any of the recycling depots in Hampshire. As a result, he would be asking a question of the relevant portfolio member for waste disposal at the next HCC council meeting on this issue. Finally the Chairman reported that the top end of Knightwood Road was beginning to break up and that he had reported this to HCC. As a result, the road was now in the work programme to be resurfaced and top dressed which would be completed by the end of this financial year.

16 Planning Applications

12/01116/TPOS
14 Pennard Way Chandlers ford
Reduce 1 Oak and crown lift

Resolved:

That subject to approval from the tree officer no objection be made.

Action

12/01210/FULLS

Caernavron Gardens Chandlers Ford

Single storey rear extension

Resolved:

That no objection be made

12/00822/FULLS

11 Forth Close Chandlers Ford

Extension to existing building – ground floor back and side with integral garage and first floor side extension

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

The meeting closed 8.50pm