Minutes of the proceedings of Valley Park Parish Council held on Monday 9 July 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 P Mukherjee Goodchild and Mrs K Tilling.

Action

17 Minutes

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meetings held on 11 June 2012 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

18 Matters Arising

Arising out of minute 12 Councillor Mrs Tilling reported that a meeting on ward profiling was to be held at Beech Hurst Andover on 17 July 2012.

With regard to minute 13 the Chairman reported that he was arranging a photo shoot next week when TVBC would install picnic benches and litter bins at the balancing pond which had been requested by the children at Knightwood Primary School. He also reported that funding for the two additional bus shelters, which the children had also requested, had now been placed on order and there would be no cost to the Parish Council. He also reported that he had obtained funding from HCC in the sum of £388 to cover refurbishment costs of the four bus shelters in Wicklow Drive.

Also arising out of minute 13 the Chairman advised that David Gower OBE had agreed to attend the winter bulb planting event on 16 October at 10.30am that will be at a site in School Lane..

Arising out of minute 15 the Chairman reported that he had met with Mr Kevin Harrington at TVBC regarding the situation with the ditch next to Salcombe Close. Mr Harrington had agreed that fencing the site would be the best option but TVBC only had limited funding available. The Chairman reported that the cost of this would be £566 and he asked members if they would agree to sharing this cost with TVBC.

Resolved:

That the costs involved in fencing the site adjacent to Salcombe Close to stop travellers gaining access to it in the future, be shared with TVBC.

19 Speed Limit Reminder Signs

Ernie Sage and Peter Critchell attended the meeting and gave a brief introduction about themselves. They had an extensive career with HCC highway

safety and since their retirement they had formed a company "Ampfield Traffic Consultancy Service".

Action

Following a tendering exercise earlier this year, they had won the contract to maintain the Parish Council's speed limit reminder signs and now gave an outline of the service they would provide for the Parish Council as from 1st September 2012. The contract included recording traffic data on one specific site and they suggested that it would be beneficial to do this at all the locations were the signs were currently sited in order to obtain the best use of the Council's signs. This would cost an extra £180. The data could also be used to notify the Police and be proof of any speeding issues.

Resolved:

That Mr Sage and Mr Critchell be thanked for their informative talk and that they be asked to carry out traffic data recording on School Lane, Shannon Way and Knightwood Road at a cost of £180 and that this be carried out on an annual basis in order to inform the positioning of the Council's speed limit reminder signs.

20 Borough and County Member Reports

Councillors Mrs Tilling and Beesley informed members that TVBC had now agreed to close the Duttons Road offices in Romsey. They gave a general resume of the debate and informed members that they had obtained an assurance that the disposal of the site would not go ahead without the full agreement of the Council.

Councillor Dowden, in his capacity as Borough Councillor informed members that the "Summer in Bloom" launch had been an outstanding success. Rickie Lambert had launched the event and numerous children and residents had turned out to see him carry out the launch. He also referred to a proposed fight which some people had tried to organise on the internet but that this had been stopped in its tracks by the Police who monitored such things on social networking sites.

21 Planning Applications

12/01113/FULLS
20 Hurst Close Chandlers Ford
Erection of first floor extension

Resolved:

That no objection be made.

12/01298/TPOS 14 Pennard Way Chandlers Ford Prune 3 Oaks

Action

Resolved:

That no objection be made subject to no objection being made by the tree officer.

12/01184/FULLS 8 Acorn Avenue Chandlers Ford Conservatory, Gazebo and Shed

Resolved:

That no determination be made but that TVBC be aked if the description of "conservatory" is correct or is this really a ground floor single extension.

The meeting closed 9.15pm