

**Minutes of the proceedings of Valley Park Parish Council held on Monday
11 March 2013 at 7.30pm at the Knightwood Leisure Centre Valley Park**

Present: Councillor A Dowden (Chairman)) and Councillors, Mrs J Adey, R Bryan, Mrs L Farley, Ms P Mukherjee Goodchild, Ms J Snow and Mrs K Tilling.

Apologies for Absence: Apologies for absence were received from Councillors C Anderson and A Beesley.

Action

53 Minutes

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 February 2013 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

54 Test Valley Borough Local Plan

The Clerk reported that Test Valley Borough Council had now published its draft local plan and that the consultation period would run from 8 March to 26 April 2013. The Chairman encouraged all members to write in to TVBC supporting the plan and in particular policy E3 as it recognised the importance of retaining existing local gaps between North Baddesley and Valley Park, Valley Park and Ampfield and Southampton and Eastleigh, as they help to resist pressure for development in Valley Park.

Resolved:

That the Parish Council's response be as outlined above.

Clerk

55 Grants

The Clerk reported that he had received a request for grant aid from Home-Start Eastleigh. This organisation continued to help a number of families in Valley Park.

Resolved:

That a grant of £100 be made to Home-Start Eastleigh

Clerk

56 Dog Bins

The Chairman reported that after much negotiation with TVBC officers a new dog bin had been installed on the footpath leading from Catmint Close to Bellflower Way Valley Park. However, it appeared that there was still a problem with irresponsible dog owners in this area and the matter was now being dealt with by TVBC enforcement officers and it was hoped that the culprits would be caught soon.

Resolved:

That the situation be noted.

57 Accounts

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

Resolved:

That the accounts be approved for payment.

58 Borough and County Member Reports

Councillor Mrs Tilling advised members that despite the Parish Council reducing its parish rate and incentives from central government for TVBC not to increase theirs, it had nevertheless, decided to raise its element of the council tax by 4.1%

Councillor Dowden, in his capacity as County Councillor, informed members that works to resurface the top part of Knightwood Road would commence on 10th and 11th April. He also advised that the resurfacing of the pavement at Burnham Beeches would be carried out in approximately two weeks. He also informed members that Lawrie McMenemy had agreed to launch the Valley Park In Bloom event on Wednesday 5 June 2013 at 1030.am. Children from Knightwood and St Francis schools would be assisting with the launch.

59 Planning Applications

13/00281/FULLS
Single Storey Rear Extension
17 Pennard Way Chandlers Ford

Resolved:

That no objection be made

13/00348/FULLS
Conversion of garage to living accommodation
22 Sir Galahad Road Chandlers Ford

Resolved:

That no objection be made provided parking facilities were adequate

13/00373/FULLS
Erection of single storey rear extension
6 Wolvesey Place Chandlers Ford

Resolved:

That no objection be made

The meeting closed 8.40pm