

**Minutes of the proceedings of Valley Park Parish Council held on Monday  
10 February 2014 at 7.30pm at the Knightwood Leisure Centre Valley Park**

**Present:** Councillor A Dowden (Chairman) and Councillors R Bryan and Mrs K Tilling.

**Apologies for absence:** Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs J Adey, C Anderson, A Beesley, Mrs L Farley, Mrs P Mukherjee Goodchild and Ms J Snow.

**Action**

**48 Minutes**

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 December 2013 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.**

**49 Matters Arising**

Councillor Mrs Tilling gave an update on minute 43 and advised that a further joint meeting had been held to look at how the cafeteria could be used. Hyde housing was willing to fund an internet café style involving young people from the social housing area of Valley Park. This would involve building and learning about computers. It had been agreed to have an open week starting on 24 March to promote the café generally and to have specific themes on certain days. Reference was made to a proposed competition for years 5 and 6 at Knightwood and St Francis Schools which was around what the children liked about living in Valley Park.

**Resolved:**

**That a sum of £100 be allocated for the competition referred to above.**

Arising out of consideration of minute 46 the Chairman advised that the leader at TVBC would not agree to Borough Councillor community budgets being used for this purpose. There was however a strong demand for such a shelter on Skyswood Road near Merlin Way and Birdfield.

**Resolved:**

**That a supplementary estimate of £5,000 be approved for the provision of a bus shelter at the above location and that this be funded from balances.**

**Chairman**

**50 Correspondence**

The Clerk referred to an email he had received from the Environmental Services Manager at TVBC regarding the Animal Welfare Service at TVBC.

TVBC were looking at piloting an Animal Welfare Policy in four parishes and Valley Park had been selected as a participant. The aim was to promote

best animal welfare practice and to put out positive messages in relation to dog fouling, dangerous dogs, nuisance dogs, strays etc.

**Resolved:**

**That the Parish Council participates in the Animal Welfare Pilot Scheme with the three Borough Councillors, Alan Dowden, Andrew Beesley and Kath Tilling supporting, from their TVBC community budgets, any overtime payments that arise for the Animal Welfare Officer at TVBC.**

**51 Accounts**

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

**Resolved:**

**That the accounts be approved for payment.**

**52 Borough and County Member Report**

Councillor Mrs Tilling referred to the ongoing parking issues at Donnington Drive, Calshott Drive Montgomery Way and Castle Lane. Ageas had recently met Councillor Mrs Tilling on site and had agreed to vigorously pursue those members of staff who parked there. Both Councillors Dowden and Mrs Tilling had been out early in the morning with the Police to put leaflets on cars asking them not to park in these areas. Ageas had enough park and ride spaces to accommodate all members of staff so there was no excuse for them to park in the residential areas.

Councillor Dowden, in his capacity as County Councillor, advised that the County were going to abolish the ASCOs to save £1 million a year. Councillor Dowden had tried to convince the Leader of the County Council that making the officers redundant would be folly as the work they do in Hampshire is invaluable.

Members were dismayed at this proposal as it was felt that the ACSOs helped keep Valley Park a safe and pleasant place to live. It was agreed that a letter be sent to the Leader and the Chief Executive of the County Council in support of the ASCOs.

Clerk

**53 Planning Applications**

14/00246/FULLS  
7 Littlefeild Crescent Chandlers Ford  
Demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey extension

**Resolved:**

**That no objection be made.**

14/00064/FULLS  
18 Pennard Way Chandlers Ford  
Single storey rear extension

**Resolved:**

**That no objection be made.**

14/00190/FULLS  
2 Kielder Close Chandlers Ford  
Retention of boundary fencing to front elevation

**Resolved:**

**That no objection be made**

14/0026/TPOS  
18 Catmint Close Chandlers Ford  
1 Oak removal of two branches

**Resolved:**

**That no objection be made**

The meeting closed 8.40pm