Minutes of the proceedings of Valley Park Parish Council held on Monday 12 September 2016 at 7.30 pm at the Knightwood Leisure Centre Valley Park

Present: Councillor A Dowden (Chairman), Councillors, C Anderson A. Beesley, Mrs. D. Moran, J Tilling and Mrs. K.Tilling.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. J Adey Mrs. C. Dowden and R Bryan.

Action

90 Minutes

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2016 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

91 Matters Arising.

Arising out of consideration of minute 84, Councillors Mrs. Tilling and Anderson gave an update on the situation with respect to grass cutting and street sweeping in Valley Park. It was apparent that many roads had still not been swept and Councillor Mrs. Tilling had contacted TVBC who had explained that they were now waiting for Hampshire County Council to undertake its weed spraying works. Members agreed that the Clerk write to HCC asking it to undertake this work as soon as possible.

92 Development of Land North of Flexford Road

Councillor Dowden advised members that Gladman Developments had submitted an outline planning application to TVBC for the development of 365 residential dwellings on land at Thornhill, Flexford road North Baddesley.

The application would have most impact upon nearby residents in Valley Park and as a result a large number of those residents attended the meeting in order to gain information upon how they could object to this proposal.

Those attending the meeting were advised as follows:-

The applicant did not seek pre application advice even though the Parish Council had written to Gladman Developments recommending that they do so as recommended within the National Planning Policy Framework.

This development will have serious consequences for Valley Park and Ampfield residents

- 1. The application does not comply with the recently adopted Revised Local Plan.
- 2. The outline application site for 365 homes is located in an area which is designated as countryside.

- 3 The outline application site is within a local gap that was supported by the public and the Local Plan Inspector. Test Valley's housing land supply figure within the Revised Local Plan was supported by the Local Plan Inspector.
- 4 There is a shortage of Primary Age School Children's places within the Chandlers Ford Area.
- 5 Concerns over the extra traffic using the historic Flexford Bridge.
- 6 The topography of the area, in a previous application, was shown that a development of this nature would make it extremely visual to nearby areas.

During the Public questions part of the meeting a number of residents asked questions about the development and its affects upon the area to which appropriate responses were given.

93 ACCOUNTS

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

Resolved:

That the accounts be approved for payment

94 External Audit

The Clerk advised that the external auditors had now given their opinion on the Council's annual return. The Annual Return had been approved by the auditors who had now issued their certificate. There were no matters which gave concern for the auditor to report upon.

Resolved:

That the Annual Return together with the auditors certificate of approval be accepted.

95 Wooden Bus shelters

The Chairman submitted a quotation for the repainting of two wooden bus shelters on Knightwood Road.

Resolved:

That the quotation for the works be accepted and that this be funded from balances.

96 Dog Bin Signage

Councillor Mrs. Tilling advised that as part of the ongoing animal welfare pilot project it was now necessary to place signs near the bins and provide stickers for them. She reminded members of the competition which had been held with

Local school children on the design for these stickers.

The cost of providing, installing and printing the stickers was approximately £2,000. It was suggested that an application be made to the TVBC Borough Councillors Community Grants Scheme for £1,000 which would mean match funding of £1,000 from the Parish Council.

Resolved:

That the provision of signs and stickers be approved and that an application be made as indicated above to the Community Grants Scheme with the additional funding of up to £1,000 being funded from balances.

97 Glendowan Road Car Park

The Chairman reported that TVBC was now only prepared to fund 50% of the cost of the works for this project which had left a shortfall of £5,000. The Chairman had manged to persuade Hampshire County Council to up its contribution by a further £3,000 which left an additional £2,000 to be funded by the Parish Council. The works now included an additional footpath which would join up with existing ones.

Resolved:

That the additional £2,000 be approved and that this be funded from balances.

98 Borough and County Members Reports

In his capacity as County Councillor, the Chairman reported that he had made complaints to the County Council regarding the state of the pavements since virgin media had installed their cable network in various areas of Valley Park. Many of the pavements now looked a mess. The County Council had assured him that they would take the matter up with Virgin Media as it had had no idea they were undertaking these works.

The Chairman also advised that he had once again been able to secure free compost from Veolia for the Winter Bulb planting along Crusader Way near Hornbeam Close. The Bulb Planting event would take place on a date to be arranged in November. Councillor Dowden also advised that the Parish Council had once again won two gold awards for its floral displays and he would be collecting those, along with some children from Knightwood and St Francis Primary Schools, from the Mayor of TVBC on the evening of 3rd October 2016 at Longstock Village Hall.

99 Planning Applications

16/02191/FULLS
3 Harlech Drive Chandlers Ford
Retention of log cabin

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

16/02163/FULLS 33 Wood End Way Chandlers Ford Erection of conservatory.

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

16/02098/TPOS
Carry out various tree works
14 and 15 Pennard Way Chandlers Ford

Resolved:

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

The meeting closed at 9.00pm