

Minutes of the proceedings of the Valley Park Parish Council held on Monday 13 November 2017 at 7.00pm at the Valley Park Community Centre

Present: Councillor A Dowden (Chairman) and Councillors, Mrs J Adey, C Anderson, A Beesley, R Bryan, S Cross, Mrs. C Dowden, Mrs. D Moran and C Thom.

Action

38 Minutes

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

39 Matters Arising

In relation to minute 37 the Chairman advised that the cuts being made by Hampshire County Council were to be extremely severe with savage cuts being made to social care. If the bus subsidies ceased then the no.46 bus serving Valley Park would not run. The ruling Conservative Council had supported the cuts and not one of the Conservative Hampshire MPs had supported Hampshire in Parliament for extra funding so that these cuts would not need to be so extensive.

The Chairman also advised that Test Valley Borough Council had now started its consultation on the review of parish boundaries and that this would run until 29th January 2018. The Clerk would submit the Parish Council's response to seek to maintain the Parish as it is after the meeting.

40 Housing and Health Service Test Valley Borough Council: Presentation by Keith Sutcliffe, Housing Manager TVBC

Keith Sutcliffe, the Housing Manager at Test Valley Borough Council attended the meeting and gave a presentation on the work of the Housing and Environmental Health service at TVBC. The duties included safeguarding the environmental health of the Borough, assessing local housing needs and securing the provision of affordable homes. To achieve its goals the service was supported by a centralised team of 3 officers covering the Housing function which included the Housing options Team, the Housing Development Team and the Housing Standards Team.

The Environmental Health unit had two teams and these were Health Protection and Environmental Protection. Both teams were consultees on the planning and licensing processes. The service also operated an out of hours service for certain types of issues that required urgent action.

Resolved:

That Mr Sutcliffe be thanked for his informative presentation.

41 Accounts

The Clerk informed members of accounts received since the last meeting

Resolved:

That the accounts be approved for payment.

42 Borough and County member reports

The Chairman reported that due to the proposed Hampshire County Council budget cuts the Parish Council would need to provide some of the services which the County Council would no longer provide and that this would have an impact on the Parish Council's future budget requirements. As a result, the Chairman suggested that it would no longer be viable for the Parish Council to be involved with the Test Valley Community Warden Initiative.

Resolved:

That the Parish Council formally withdraws from the Test Valley Community Warden Initiative.

The Chairman reminded members that at its May meeting it had agreed to fund the installation of two park benches on the parkland off Wicklow Drive. These were to provide a quiet area where students could sit and study during the day and also provide an opportunity for young parents to meet up. These had now been installed and ready for use next year.

43 Planning Applications

17/02823/TPOS
17 Hodder Close Chandlers Ford
Various tree Works

Resolved:

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

17/02703/TPOS
16 Hodder Close Chandlers Ford
Various tree Works

Resolved:

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

17/02671/FULLS
9 Witham close Chandlers Ford
Single storey extension

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

17/02359/FULLS
4 Wood end Way Chandlers Ford
First floor extension over garage

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

17/02533/FULLS
5 Leven Close Chandlers Ford
Two Storey Side Extension

Resolved:

That no comment be made.

The meeting closed at 8.23pm