

**Minutes of the Valley Park Parish Council Meeting  
held on Monday 12 March 2018 at 7.30pm  
Location: Valley Park Community Centre**

**Present:**

Cllr A Dowden (Chairman)  
Cllr Mr C Anderson  
Cllr Mr A Beesley  
Cllr Mr R Bryan  
Cllr Mr S Cross  
Cllr Mrs J Adey  
Cllr Mrs C Dowden

**Apologies for absence:**

Cllr Mr C Thom  
Cllr D Moran

**Action**

**59 Presentation TVBC Leisure Centre – Kevin Harrington**

Kevin Harrington – representing the Community and Leisure Service at Test Valley Borough Council attended the meeting and gave an overview of the planned projects for 2018 in Valley Park, which included the new Skate Park, the footpath connecting Skys Wood Road and the Knightwood Leisure Centre and the Outdoor Gym in the grounds nearby Knightwood Leisure Centre.

The Skate Park is a £160,000 project, which will be implemented this year. Councillors asked for the timeline of implementation of the project and were advised that a planning permission application would be submitted as soon as all the design access statement is finalised and received. Following the planning permission application being granted, the work would commence as soon as possible and subject to availability of the contractor.

Councillors asked about the safety concern and the liability. KH explained that skateboarding is an extreme sport and disclaimers signs will be placed. The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) will inspect the Skate Park.

The other two Valley Park projects, including a tarmac surface route that will connect the Skys Woods Road to Knightwood Leisure Centre and the outdoor gym, were also discussed.

Councillors thanked Kevin Harrington for his presentation.

Kevin Harrington left the meeting.

**60 Declarations of interests**

None

**61 Minutes**

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.**

**62 Matters Arising**

The Chairman reported that a thank you note for the grant was received from the Chandler's Ford Scouts.

**63 To receive and consider correspondence**

- a) The Council received an email and a report from the Chandler's Ford street pastors following a recent incident at the Youth Club at the Knightwood Leisure Centre. Councillors reviewed the incident and were pleased to hear that nobody was hurt and children from the Youth Club were kept safe and conducted themselves very well.
- b) The Parish Clerk informed that the speed limit reminder signs have been moved in accordance to the programme now located in School Lane LC7 and LC19 and will be there until 3<sup>rd</sup> April. An invoice was received for the project of deployment of speed limit reminder signs for June 2017-2018, which councillors approved.

**Resolved:**

**That the project of deployment of speed limit reminder signs continues in the next year.**

- c) The Parish Clerk informed that a Valley Park resident phoned and expressed his delight that the new footpath would be built between the Skys Wood Road and Knightwood Leisure Centre. The resident also raised a slight concern regarding the damaged of terrain that floods because of the damage by heavy goods vehicles.

**Resolved:**

**That repairing work for the damaged terrain be carried out at the same time with the skate park work.**

- d) The Parish Clerk informed about the notification from the Borough Council regarding the re-adoption of Part II Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, which contains provisions in relation to the licensing of private hire and hackney carriage vehicles, drivers and operators (taxis and minicabs).
- e) The Chairman reported that Valley Park in Bloom event would be launched on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 10.00am. The two Head teachers of the Valley Park schools were invited to launch the event alongside school council's children.
- f) The Chairman reported that Veolia has granted a donation of 5 tonnes Pro-Grow compost for the annual bulb planting in Valley Park and North Baddesley. The two schools councils were invited to decide the location for the planting scheme in Valley Park this year.

**64 Public questions**

None received.

**65 Internal Audit**

The Clerk presented the internal audit report on the Council's accounts for 2017/2018 together with a review of the management of risks.

**Resolved:**

**(1) That the 2017/2018 Internal Audit Report be approved and that the risk assessment review as presented be agreed.**

**(2) That Mr G Butler be reappointed as the Council's Internal Auditor.**

**66 Accounts**

The Clerk informed members of accounts received since the last meeting, including an invoice for the project of deployment of speed limit reminder signs for June 2017-2018 in the amount of £1,818.

**Resolved:**

**That the accounts be approved for payment**

**67 Borough and County member reports**

Councillor Beesley, in his capacity as Borough Councillor advised members that spot checks were carried out in Test Valley to test the standards of the taxis and minicabs. The vehicles were up to the required standard with only one minor infringement and one minor technical issue.

The Chairman, in his capacity as County Councillor informed members that his county councillor's report was submitted to Valley Park Voice. The Chairman presented a comparison among the Parish rates and proudly highlighted that Valley Park's tax rates are once again the lowest in Test Valley.

The taxes at band D for 2018-2019:

Ampfield: £43.03  
Chilworth: £52.80,  
North Baddesley: £55.09  
Nursling & Rownhams: £27.04,  
Romsey extra: £22.77  
Romsey Town: £44.24  
Valley Park: £12.47

The Chairman reminded members that the Borough Council approved the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) contributions for community infrastructure. Parish Councils can bid for CIL funds. Some Parish Councils may be in receipt of a proportion (15%) of total CIL receipts that have been secured from

development in their parish for expenditure on their own community infrastructure projects. However, other forms of funding for community projects are available and may also be appropriate to deliver community projects. The Chairman invited councillors to attend the drop in sessions organised by the Borough Council on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018, at Crosfield Hall in Romsey.

The Chairman advised that a new hotel and gym at Hut Hill, Bournemouth Road is going to be built as informed at the Eastleigh/Test Valley Liaison Committee. Eastleigh Borough Council intends to place traffic regulation double yellow lines along Bournemouth Road to prevent parking that has been taking place within the next two weeks.

## **68 Planning Applications**

18/00534/TPOS

Sky's Wood Behind Bird Field and Morgan Le Fay, Chandler's Ford  
Various tree works as per submitted schedule

**Resolved:**

**That no objection be made.**

18/00544/FULLS

19 Caernarvon Gardens, Chandler's Ford  
Single Storey flat roof rear extension to provide dining room and wc

**Resolved:**

**That no comment be made.**

18/00530/FULLS

Erection of two storey rear extension to provide extended lounge and utility with extended bedroom and bathroom over, installation of window in bedroom and erection of replacement porch

**Resolved:**

**That no comment be made.**

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_