Minutes of the proceedings of Valley Park Parish Council held on Monday 10 September 2007 at 8.00pm at the Knightwood Leisure Centre Valley Park

Present: Councillor A Dowden (Chairman) and Councillors C Anderson (Vice Chairman in the Chair for items 1,2,3,4 and 6 on the agenda), R Bryan, Mrs C Dowden, Mrs A Dyde, Mrs L Guy, and Mrs K Oliver.

Apologies for Absence: an apology for absence was received from the Chairman, Councillor Dowden, who had indicated that he would be late due to another commitment.

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17 Minutes

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 July 2007 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Councillor A Dowden arrived and took the Chair

18 Anti Social Behaviour

In the absence of a representative from Hampshire County Regulatory Service this matter was **Deferred**.

19 Correspondence Received

The Chairman reported that he was still in negotiations with TVBC regarding the position of the proposed allotment site at Valley Park. He had now received an indication of the fencing costs but was still awaiting information regarding the water connection.

With respect to the waiting list he indicated that those people who had been on the waiting list for North Baddesley Parish allotments and since removed, would take priority on the Valley Park waiting list. It was not yet known how many pitches would be available.

20 Public Questions

Claire Finch attended the meeting and asked questions in relation to the allotments. Her questions had been addressed by the Chairman in the minute above. As she was one of those people who had been removed from the North Baddesley waiting list she would be one of the first people to be allocated a plot at the Valley Park Allotments.

21 Accounts

The Clerk submitted details of accounts received and paid since the last meeting. He also advised that the second instalment of the Council's precept from TVBC had been received at the end of August.

Resolved:

That the accounts as set out below be approved for Clerk payment:-

	£	
		Traffic control
Westcotec Ltd	6,227.50	equipment
Mr A R Purr	550.35	Clerks Salary
		Tax 165 - NI
H M Revenue	239.97	74.97
Plant Marketing		
Services	7,430.70	Floral displays
Wilton Ventilation		
Systems Ltd	464.12	Repair of Bus Shelter
Miss S Clark	80.00	Design of Parish Logo
		Tax 165 - NI
H M Revenue	239.79	74.97
Mr A R Purr	550.35	Clerks Salary
Zurich		-
Insurance	129.24	Additional Insurance
		Management &
		Maintenance of speed
TVBC	1,1011.43	limiters

22 Borough and County Member Reports

The Chairman reported that he had placed a motion on the HCC council meeting agenda seeking support for the Lord Ashley Bill in relation to independent living for the disabled. The bill needed support to ensure that there was sufficient parliamentary time for it to become an act.

He also referred to the number of planning applications he had dealt with since the last meeting and asked that the Clerk contact the TVBC planning department to get them to send him planning application details in the future so that they could be dealt with at the monthly parish meetings.

Councillor Louise Guy reported that she had now been appointed to TVBC's Planning Control Committee. She also reported that she had spoken to TVBC's housing department Clerk

regarding the housing of a local resident with Test Valley Homes.

Councillor Clive Anderson referred to the fact that a number of dog bins which had been installed recently by the Borough Council had been vandalised. He also requested that an edition number be placed on future newsletters.

Clerk

Resolved:

That the reports referred to above be noted and action be taken as necessary.

23 Valley Leisure

Derek Jeffery attended the meeting and advised members that the number of serious incidents at the centre had been significantly reduced. Of the four serious incidents which had occurred, the police had responded promptly. He advised that the centre was now playing classical music outside the building until the shutters closed at night and this had clearly been a deterrent.

24 Finance and General Purpose Committee

Resolved:

That a meeting of the Finance and General Purpose Committee be held on Wednesday 26 September 2007 at 6.30pm.

25 Woodland Fair

Members referred to the recent woodland fair held at Zionhill Copse Valley Park which was an event provided by TVBC Leisure services Department. The event had been a great success and had been greatly appreciated by Valley Park residents.

Resolved:

That Kevin Harrington be thanked for the efforts he had made in putting on the Woodland Fair event at Zionhill Copse.

Clerk

26 Notice Boards

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council had been successful in obtaining a grant from TVBC for the proposed new

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notice boards in Valley park. It was hoped that the boards would become focal points whereby local information, agendas and minutes of the parish council could be displayed for residents.

Resolved:

That two oak notice boards be purchased at cost of £688 Clerk each plus VAT and installation. (total cost £1376 plus VAT and installation)

The meeting ended at 9.30pm