

**Minutes of the Valley Park Parish Council Meeting  
held on Monday 10 June 2024 at 7.20pm  
Location: Valley Park Community Centre**

**Present:**

Cllr Mr A Dowden (Chairman)  
Cllr Mrs C Dowden  
Cllr Mr S Shahi  
Cllr Mr R Bryan  
Cllr Mrs K Woods-Townsend  
Cllr Mrs D Green

**Apologies:** Cllr Mr S Cross, Cllr Mr C Anderson (Vice Chair), Cllr Mr J Fryer

**Action**

**1 Welcome and apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mr S Cross, Cllr Mr C Anderson (Vice Chair) and Cllr Mr J Fryer.

**2 Declarations of interests**

None on the agenda.

**3 Minutes of the meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.**

**4 Matters Arising**

**5 Annual Governance Statement for 2023-2024**

The Clerk submitted the Annual Governance Statement for approval.

**Resolved:**

**That the Annual Governance Statements be approved and signed.**

**6 Annual Accounting Statements for 2023-2024**

The Clerk submitted the Annual Accounting Statements for approval.

**Resolved:**

**That the Annual Accounting Statements be approved and signed.**

**7 External Audit – declaration of interest BDO**

No interests were declared in relation to BDO.

**8 To receive and consider correspondence**

The Clerk informed about an update received on seasonal vegetation

management on Public Rights of Way from the Universal Services at Hampshire County Council, which informed parishes about the changes in the costs and of the challenge to sustain the previous priority cutting schedule with contractors. Guidance and support on developing volunteer networks were offered.

The Clerk informed about an email received from an officer of the Hampshire and the Isle of Wight Constabulary, who is part of the South East Cyber Policing Team, offering cyber and cyber related fraud related advice and awareness sessions to members of the communities of Hampshire and Isle of Wight.

**Resolved:**

**That the Clerk contacts the Officer and arrange a date for a cyber fraud awareness session to take place in Valley Park and promote the event in the newsletter, website and social media.**

The Clerk received an email asking for support of a campaign to improve the safety of lithium batteries and their disposal.

**Resolved:**

**That the Clerk forward the email to all councillors and ask if they are happy to support the campaign.**

The Clerk informed about two concerns raised with the locations of the Jubilee benches. Councillors considered the issues raised and agreed that the benches will not be removed from their current locations.

**9 Public questions**

None.

**10 Accounts**

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

The Clerk presented the programme of deployment of the speed limit reminder signs to the Council for approval. The cost of the programme for next year is £1,765.

**Resolved:**

**That the accounts and the programme of deployment of the speed limit reminder signs are approved.**

Councillors agreed to replace the noticeboard near Tesco.

**Resolved:**

**That Clerk to order a noticeboard similar with the other two noticeboards already placed in Valley Park and to apply for a grant from Test Valley Borough Council and Hampshire County Council towards the cost of the noticeboard.**

Councillors also approved for a new printer to be purchased.

**11 Planning Applications**

The were no planning applications to be reviewed.

The meeting closed at 7.56pm.

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

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