

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF SANDY LANE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 14 MARCH 2011 IN BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, SANDY LANE,
COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM**

Present: Derek Carver
Robert Dennison
Bev Porter
Stewart Salter
Roy Sucksmith
Chris Slaven (CBMDC)

Clerk: Eve Haskins

In attendance: Three members of the public were present

22/11 Apologies consented to

Apologies were received from Valerie Binney.

23/11 Minutes of meetings

The minutes of the meeting on 14 February 2011 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

24/11 Public forum

1. Weed suppressing membrane for embankment in Greenwood Park

A member of the public queried when it would be possible to order and place the weed suppressing membrane in the park as agreed at a previous meeting (funding for this already received by Parish Council). Agreed that this should be placed mid April, before the cricket season starts again. Clerk to contact Parks Department to confirm that the placing of this membrane is appropriate, and to order membrane as advised.

2. Composting bin required for Greenwood Park

A member of the public suggested that a community composting bin is needed in the park, by the Cricket Club pavilion where grass clippings are currently placed. Chair agreed to make a wooden one to save the expense of purchasing one (approximately £150).

3. Public footpath update

A Parish Councillor explained that following a complaint from a local resident the Rights of Way department of the council investigated a locked gate on a footpath in the parish and determined that it was not actually locked.

4. Stolen Christmas tree lights

Chair explained that a local resident has returned the stolen Christmas tree lights to him, after discovering them in his house, which he leases. The police have been informed of the developments, and Chair is awaiting contact from them. Clerk to contact police again regarding this issue.

5. 'Day of Action' on 4 March 2011

A Parish Councillor queried whether there had been any report from the police following the recent 'Day of Action'. Clerk to contact police to discover whether it was a success.

25/11 Ongoing issues

- a) Chellow Dene land: Clerk explained that Parish Council still awaiting news from Asset Management at Bradford Council concerning the issue of neighbouring plots usurping this land;
- b) Traffic plans for the area: Clerk informed all that contact in Traffic department has explained that they did not know whether planned improvements to the local area would be taking place this year yet, but that they have sent assurances that they will keep Parish Council informed;
- c) Partition wall in Cricket Club: Clerk informed all that quote provided for work to provide storage space for Parish Council was £1860. Agreed that Clerk to ask builder for detailed breakdown of costs as seen as excessive, and Chair to obtain another quote. **RESOLVED** that the remainder of the recent £2000 funding from Bradford Council be used to contribute towards this cost;
- d) IT planning funding: Agreed that Chair will put projector screen on wall of Bethel Baptist Church, utilising the remainder of the funding on all tools necessary.

26/11 Planning applications

RESOLVED that:

- a) The Parish Council had no objection to the proposed two storey extension at 81 Dale Croft Rise, Bradford, BD15 9AT: Clerk to contact planning department accordingly;
- b) The Parish Council had no objection to the closure of Keighley Crown Court: Clerk to contact the area director accordingly;
- c) The Parish Council expressed concern over the proposed improvements to Ivy Lane, Allerton Road and Prune Park Lane, Bradford, due to the potential increase of traffic into the village: Clerk to contact the council accordingly.

27/11 Financial matters

RESOLVED that:

- a) The following accounts were approved for payment:
 1. Clerk's wages for February;
 2. JD Gaunt for removal and replacing of damaged Christmas tree lights (£556);
 3. Mike Henson Presentations for annual website services and addition of website address (£630);
 4. Bethel Baptist Church for Network Games Group funding (£500);
 5. SLCC (Society of Local Council Clerks) for annual subscription (£95);
 6. SLCC – Cilca Management for Clerk's Cilca registration (£150);
 7. Clerk's reimbursement for purchase of projector and two dictaphones (£576.80).
- b) Review of effectiveness of internal audit undertaken using checklist provided by YLCA.

28/11 Review of website plan

RESOLVED that website is moved from Plan K to Plan M: Clerk to contact website hosts accordingly.

29/11 Summer event

RESOLVED that this event to be held on Sunday 19 June only if Parish Council receive support from local organisations: Clerk to contact all local groups accordingly.

30/11 Christmas event

RESOLVED that:

1. Clerk to contact local resident known to have music contacts, Chair to contact Salvation Army

and Bob Dennison to contact local guitarist, with a view to requesting their help with this search for band and musicians for the event;

2. Two processions be organised in village without the need for road closure.

31/11 Clerk's appraisal

RESOLVED that Clerk's appraisal to be undertaken by Chair prior to next Parish Council meeting, on Monday 11 April at 7pm.

32/11 Minor items and items for next agenda

RESOLVED that:

- a) Valerie Binney be sent some flowers on behalf of the Parish Council wishing her a speedy recovery;
- b) Clerk to investigate Sandy Lane postcode changes for next meeting;
- c) Clerk and Stewart Salter to meet with contact at Age UK regarding voluntary visiting scheme for elderly in area, and next newsletter to be used to determine whether scheme would be required by local residents and to request volunteers, prior to Age UK training session for volunteers in July.

33/11 To note the date, time and venue of next meeting

- Next Parish Council meeting on Monday 11 April 2011 at Bethel Baptist Church, Sandy Lane, at 7.30pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45pm.