

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

Present: Valerie Binney  
Derek Carver  
Bob Dennison  
Bev Porter  
Clerk: Eve Haskins  
In attendance: Eighteen members of the public and two police officers were present

**108/11 Apologies consented to**

Apologies were received from Stewart Salter and Roy Sucksmith.

**109/11 Declarations of interest**

Valerie Binney declared an interest in the planning item, as she is now on the planning committee of Bradford Council.

**110/11 Minutes of meetings**

The minutes of the meeting on 10 October 2011 and 3 November 2011 were confirmed as true records and signed by the Chairman.

**111/11 Public forum**

**1. Traffic calming scheme**

The Chair explained that this proposed £55,000 scheme for traffic calming on Cottingley Road has now been made public and he wished for the public to have the opportunity to express their views in this meeting. The following concerns were expressed by several members of the public regarding the proposed scheme, which is to include a reduced 20mph speed limit and speed humps/plateaux:

- a) The excessive noise made by the cars travelling over the speed humps – the Chair explained that if cars are driving under 20mph then there should not be any noise or damage to cars;
- b) It was agreed that 20mph speed limit was a welcome change, but it was queried how this would be enforced;
- c) The re-routing of traffic onto Acacia/Syringa/Florida due to traffic avoiding the humps may increase of traffic on this 'rat-run';
- d) Practicalities – will the road need to be closed to do the work? What timescale is involved? It would be good for the residents to have further information on this;
- e) Was there any consultation about where the humps are to be placed? Concern that the one at the end of Stone Street may lead to congested traffic due to parked cars here also;
- f) Parking on pavement concerns (ongoing issue).

**2. Newsletter**

The Chair invited comments from the public regarding the Parish Council community newsletter – agreed it was well laid out. The Chair requested further information from local groups and businesses to place in this newsletter.

**112/11 Ongoing issues**

- a) Action Plan: Will be discussed at the meeting in January 2012, where Parish Council will pick out what needs to be done;
- b) Christmas event 2011: Chair updated all on Christmas event committee and further aspects of event discussed - **RESOLVED** that:
  - 1. Clerk to order 300 glow-sticks;
  - 2. Clerk to liaise with electrician to arrange to have lights fitted on tree, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> December;
  - 3. Final arrangements to be made for Christmas event at meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> November (carols decided etc.);
- c) Traffic calming scheme: See 111/11 above;
- d) Bulb planting: Bob Dennison and Valerie Binney updated all on recent bulb planting of grass verges on Wilsden Road – still have 700-800 bulbs left for future planting. Bob Dennison to email Malcolm Sykes to organise to provide him with some bulbs to plant.

### **113/11 Planning applications**

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council objected to the proposed construction of first floor, side and rear extensions at 63 Grasleigh Way, BD15 9BD, on aesthetic reasons – Clerk to contact planning department accordingly.

### **114/11 Financial matters**

**RESOLVED** that:

- a) The following accounts were approved for payment:
  - 1. Clerk's wages for October;
  - 2. Clerk's reimbursement for training in Silsden on 9 November (£39.60);
  - 3. Staples for Clerk's stationery (£80.28);
  - 4. Bradford Council for booking fee for Christmas event (£35).
- b) Half yearly review deferred until meeting where RFO is present;
- c) Decisions on Clerk's expenses deferred until meeting where RFO is present.

### **115/11 Newsletter**

**RESOLVED** that the Christmas event (including a plea for foodstuffs), procession routes, Fire Service and Police articles, update on Age UK scheme and usual contributions from local groups be included in next newsletter, due to be printed at the beginning of December.

### **116/11 Minor items and items for next agenda**

- a) Queen's Jubilee fun-day 2012 be discussed at future meeting;
- b) Stewart Salter be sent some flowers on behalf of Parish Council as a mark of respect;
- c) Planning LDF be on future agenda;
- d) Financial review, setting of budget and precept and Clerk's potential expenses be discussed at next meeting;
- e) Final preparations for Christmas event be discussed at next meeting.

### **117/11 To note the date, time and venue of next meeting**

- Next Parish Council meeting on Monday 12 December 2011 and next meeting of Christmas committee on 21 November 2011, both at Bethel Baptist Church, Sandy Lane, at 7.30pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50pm.