

Minutes of the meeting of Sandy Lane Parish Council held remotely on 8 February 2021

Present:

Councillors Mike Craft, Tim Grace, Sajid Hussain, Sughra Nazir, Bev Porter (Chair), Sandra Shallcross
Clerk Eve Haskins
In attendance No members of the public were in attendance
Ward Cllr Richard Dunbar

01/21 Apologies
None received: apologies noted from Ward Cllr Sue Duffy.

02/21 Declarations of interest
None received.

03/21 Minutes of previous meetings
Minutes of the previous meeting held on 14th December 2020 were confirmed as true a record and signed by the Chair.

04/21 Public forum

1. Overhanging trees on Stony Lane:

It was reported that there have been complaints regarding the overhanging trees at the bottom of Stony Lane, next to the bus stop: agreed that Ward Cllr Dunbar to investigate the progress on this issue with representatives of Bradford Council.

2. Deer signs

It was reported that several deer have been seen in the area, prompting a call by residents for a deer sign following the killing of one by a car last year: agreed that the Clerk to investigate this with Bradford Council.

3. Yellow lines outside defibrillator on Wilsden Road

It was requested that the double yellow lines on the road next to the phone box housing the defibrillator are re-painted to deter parking there: agreed that the Clerk to contact Bradford Council regarding this.

4. Planting of wildflower seeds on Haworth Road

It was reported that several residents of Haworth Road wish to take advantage of the upcoming road closure on 14 February to plant some wildflower seeds on the banking near the bottom of the road. Ward Cllr Dunbar agreed to investigate whether the wildflower verge planting scheme has been approved for the area; if not, agreed that the Parish Council would cover the cost of the seeds.

05/21 Representation from Ward Officer/Ward Councillors

Ward Cllr Dunbar reported that, following several complaints from residents regarding traffic/speed issues on Cottingley Road, the Ward Cllrs have requested a speed survey to take place on the road over a two week period. They have also liaised with the police regarding the speeding on Haworth Road/Wilsden Road, requesting a greater police presence in the area.

06/21 Ongoing issues

1. Traffic issues

In addition to the traffic issues reported in item 05/21, it was reported that Chellow Dene car park has been extremely busy, with cars parking on both sides of Haworth Road, outside the car park and up the road, which raises concerns regarding the lack of social distancing

within Chellow Dene as well as dangerous parking on the road: Ward Cllrs are aware of this concern, and will continue to monitor the situation. It was reported that Chellow Dene car park will be closed during the road closure period.

2. Newsletter

It was agreed that a hard copy newsletter will not be produced until lockdown is lifted: Clerk to contact a neighbouring parish council to determine how they make their newsletter accessible to residents.

07/21 Planning issues

1. Planning applications:

a) 20/05828/HOU: Proposed dormers to east and west elevations to allow for new mezzanine, external glazing to west elevation, new windows and doors and external works forming new off-street parking at Sandy Lane Methodist Church, Bairstow Street, Sandy Lane - Resolved that the Parish Council object to this application, on the following grounds: overdevelopment, out of keeping with the character of the surrounding area, overlooking/lack of privacy it will cause to neighbouring properties, parking concerns.

2. Notifications of planning decisions by Bradford Council:

a) 20/04780/LBC: Replacement windows to the front and rear elevations at 17 Cliffe View - granted (Parish Council had no objection to this application).

b) 20/05094/HOU: Single storey rear extension at 68 Wilsden Road, Sandy Lane (Parish Council had no objection to this application).

c) 20/05399/HOU: Construction of single and two storey rear extensions, porch along with pitched roof to garage conversion at 1 Acacia Drive, Sandy Lane – granted (Parish Council objected to this application).

d) 20/05460/HOU: Outbuilding at 39 Grasleigh Way, Sandy Lane – granted (Parish Council had no objection to this application in principle, however kindly requested that the planning officers give consideration to the size of the development to ensure there is no encroachment onto neighbouring properties or overlooking of neighbouring properties due to the positioning of the windows, which may compromise the light and privacy of the neighbours).

3. Local Development Plan:

Ward Cllr Dunbar provided an update on the Local Development Plan: Bradford Council are going live this week with the Local Plan consultation documents, including proposed plans and sites, which will be available online for the public to comment upon and a list of recommended proposals will then be available later in the year. The Ward Cllrs will be receiving a further briefing on this, which Ward Cllr Dunbar will invite members of the Parish Council to also. Discussed how to disseminate this information to residents: Ward Cllr Dunbar suggesting using Ward Cllr correspondence to access all residents in the parish, as well as utilising social media. Ward Cllr Dunbar to keep the Parish Council updated on this issue.

08/21 Financial matters

1. Resolved that the following accounts ratified:

a) Bradford Council for salaries for January 2021 (£668.92).

2. Resolved that the following account were approved for payment:

a) Bradford Council for salaries for February 2021 (£668.92).

b) Clerk's reimbursement (£641.74) for laptop (£616.34), postage (£20.40) and travel (£5.00).

3. Resolved that the same Internal Auditor be used for the financial year 2021-22 as previously.

4. Resolved that the Parish Council to continue to fund the necessary gardening work in Greenwood Park: Clerk to liaise with the local gardener and to compile a contract including gardening and cleaning needs (defibrillator and notice-board in park).

09/21 Gritting needs

Discussed the gritting needs of the village, including extra bins required for Grasleigh Way, Victoria Street/Spring Street: agreed that the Clerk to liaise with the gritting representative at Bradford Council to determine the criteria for the siting of grit bins, and whether any bins purchased by the Parish Council would be filled with grit by Bradford Council.

10/21 Correspondence received

- Emails from Bradford Council re Covid-19 vaccination information sheet, consultation on proposed changes to the school transport budget and Notice of Intent for works on Prune Park Lane and gritting concerns: acknowledged, see item 09/21.
- Emails from YLCA re White Rose publications, training, Branch meeting survey, updated Councillor log-in details, survey on holding remote meetings and virtual conference: acknowledged.
- Emails from Ward Cllrs re overhanging bushes on Stony Lane: acknowledged, see item 04/21/1.
- Email from resident re concerns re Victoria Street/Spring Street parking etc.: acknowledged.
- Email from Ward Cllrs re concerns re land on Spring Street: acknowledged.
- Email from resident re request for grit bin on Acacia Drive: acknowledged, see item 09/21.
- Email re promotion of Census 2021: acknowledged, agreed that the Clerk to place Census 2021 information on the Parish Council website and Facebook page.
- Emails from residents re concerns re plans for Methodist Church site: acknowledged, see item 07/21/1.
- Email from Northern Powergrid re updates on road closures: acknowledged.
- Email from Planning at Bradford Council re Local Plan Consultation meeting and briefing notes, and Preferred Options and Calls for Sites: acknowledged, see item 07/21/3.

10/21 Minor items and items for next agenda

1. Standing item of traffic to be discussed at the next meeting.

11/21 To note the date, time and venue of next meeting

Next monthly meeting of the Parish Council due to be held on Monday 8 March 2021 at 6.00pm remotely via Zoom.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.30pm.