

Approved minutes of the meeting of Sandy Lane Parish Council held remotely on 8 March 2021

Present:

Councillors Mike Craft, Tim Grace, Sajid Hussain, Sughra Nazir, Bev Porter (Chair), Sandra Shallcross
Clerk Eve Haskins
In attendance One member of the public was in attendance

11/21 Apologies
None received.

12/21 Declarations of interest
None received.

13/21 Minutes of previous meetings
Minutes of the previous meeting held on 8th February 2021 were confirmed as true a record and signed by the Chair.

14/21 Public forum
None.

15/21 Representation from Ward Officer/Ward Councillors
This item deferred to the next meeting.

16/21 Ongoing issues

1. Traffic issues

It was reported that the speeding traffic continues to be a problem in the village, even up and down Haworth Road when it is blocked off for roadworks. Problem parking and driving was also reported, including an incident at the school today where a parent was verbally abused and threatened by a driver: this has been reported to the school and police. It was suggested that an empty sign post on Haworth Road could be used for a deer warning sign: agreed that the Clerk to contact the Ward Cllrs regarding this.

2. Newsletter

Resolved that the Clerk to begin collating information for the next newsletter, to be published as soon as lockdown ends; agreed to include the usual information from local groups, as well as the 'Local Heroes' section and to publicise information regarding litter pickers and tools available for local project work.

3. Summer event

Resolved that plans should begin for the organisation of a summer event next year: Clerk to contact the Events Committee leader to agree a date for a meeting.

17/21 Planning issues

1. Planning applications:

- a) 21/00586/HOU: Single storey extension to front and rear at 14 Dale Croft Rise, Sandy Lane: Resolved that the Parish Council have no objection to this application.
- b) 21/00817/HOU: Single storey side and rear extension to form garden room and office at 1A Sandymoor, Sandy Lane: Resolved that the Parish Council object to this application on the following grounds: overdevelopment - the plans are disproportionate in scale which suggests it exceeds purposes incidental to the enjoyment of a dwelling house.

Clerk to contact Bradford Council Planning Department accordingly.

2. Notifications of planning decisions by Bradford Council:
 - 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 Methodist Church, Bairstow Street, Sandy Lane – granted (the Parish Council objected 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).
3. Local Development Plan:

Resolved that the Clerk to respond to the Local Development Plan Consultation highlighting the Parish Council's concerns regarding further development in the parish with no infrastructure to support this (over-subscribed school, no doctors, no shops, etc.) as well as the existing highways limitations. Therefore, to focus on the Plans' impact on: existing services and facilities, transport, access for sites, lack of capacity on sites as identified, and impact on heritage sites such as listed buildings locally.

18/21 Financial matters

1. To approve any accounts for payment at this meeting, including the following:
 - a) Bradford Council for salaries for March 2021 (£668.92).
 - b) Clerk's reimbursement (£25.19) for stamps (£10.20) and laptop security (£14.99).
 - c) Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) for annual subscription (£185.00).
 - d) Vision ICT for website emails (£129.60).
 - e) YLCA for training (£10.00).
 - f) Beverley Porter for reimbursement for tools and seeds for voluntary gardening work in the parish (£1,676.13).
2. Resolved that the gardening/cleaning contract for necessary works in Greenwood Park and elsewhere in the parish for 2021-22 approved.
3. Resolved that the Clerk to contact the Scouts/Cricket Club regarding their joint application for a small grant, to receive some clarification on the current users of the building and the finances involved prior to agreeing to grant public funds: to defer item to the next meeting.
4. Cleaner Streets funding application for £2000 ratified, and agreed that the Chair to purchase tools and seeds for use for project work in the parish. The Chair requested a formal minute thanking the local people who have been involved in this project work on Haworth Road, especially two local school girls who are a credit to the parish.

19/21 Holding of remote meetings

Resolved that the delegation of planning decisions to be deferred to the Clerk, following member agreement via email, in case meetings cannot be held in the future: Clerk to amend the Parish Council's Standing Orders accordingly.

20/21 Request from Bethel Baptist Church

Resolved that the Clerk to respond to the request from Bethel Baptist Church on how they can help the community, suggesting the following: expanded access to the Food Bank donation box; coffee mornings in the church post-lockdown; using the church as a 'hub' for litter picking meetings post lockdown. It was also highlighted that the local primary school has a Community Hub in normal times, offering classes etc., therefore it may be useful for the church to liaise with the school to see if any intergenerational work could be undertaken, and to ensure that the supportive parties of the parish are working together in partnership. Cllr Hussain also offered to facilitate the provision of financial educational sessions within the church post lockdown.

21/21 Correspondence received

- Email from resident and Ward Cllrs re concerns over cars on Florida Road: acknowledged, Ward Cllrs reported this to Bradford Council.
- Email from Bradford Council re gritting needs and Climate Action Fund: acknowledged, agreed that the Parish Council will not pursue the purchase of grit bins, however confirmed that a new grit bin has been requested for Grasleigh Way.
- Emails from local Scouts group and Parks Department, Bradford Council, re use of Greenwood Park for Easter egg hunt: acknowledged, passed onto Parks Department of Bradford Council.
- Emails from YLCA re White Rose publications, training etc: acknowledged.
- Email from Bethel Baptist Church re helping the community: acknowledged, see item 20/21.

22/21 Minor items and items for next agenda

1. Standing item of traffic to be discussed at the next meeting.
2. Summer event 2022 to be discussed at the next meeting.

23/21 To note the date, time and venue of next meeting

Next monthly meeting of the Parish Council due to be held on Monday 12 April 2021 at 6.00pm remotely via Zoom.

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