Minutes of the monthly meeting of Sandy Lane Parish Council, held remotely on Monday 8 June 2020, commencing at 6.00pm

Present:

Councillors Mike Craft, Sajid Hussain, Sughra Nazir, Bev Porter (Chair)

Clerk Eve Haskins

In attendance One member of the public was present

62/20 Apologies

Apologies noted and the reasons for absence approved from Cllrs Tim Grace and Sandra Shallcross.

63/20 Declarations of interest

None received.

64/20 Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 11th May 2020 confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

65/20 Public forum

1. Fires on Ollerdale/Deanwood Crescent:

A member of the public expressed concern regarding the fires in local gardens: agreed that the Parish Council should encourage residents to manage waste responsibly, and publicise that the waste sites have been re-opened etc.

2. Overgrown path on Prune Park Lane:

A member of the public expressed concern that the local footpath on Prune Park Lane, Sandy Lane, is still overgrown and quite precarious for walking on near the road, as reported at the last meeting: agreed that the Clerk to report this to Bradford Council again, copying in the Ward Cllrs.

3. Overgrown bushes on Wilsden Road/Stony Lane:

Concern was expressed over the overgrown bushes obscuring the kiosk housing the defibrillator on Wilsden Road and obstructing the path next to the bus-stop at the bottom of Stony Lane: agreed that the Clerk to write to the relevant householders requesting that these bushes be cut back.

4. Lamp-post on Stony Lane:

Concern was expressed over a lamp-post on Stony Lane which has the front cover missing (lower down than Cliffe View, on the other side of the road): agreed that the Clerk to report this to the Ward Clirs.

66/20 Representation from Ward Officer/Ward Councillors

Item deterred to the next meeting.

67/20 Ongoing issues

Traffic issues:

All present expressed regret and concern over the recent fatality which occurred further up from the parish on Haworth Road, due to speeding traffic, which has got noticeably worse since the Covid-19 lock-down. It was reported that roads in the village are being used as a race track, with traffic travelling at up to 70 or 80 mph on Haworth Road/Wilsden Road and Cottingley Road/Stony Lane/Prune Park Lane, and agreed that intervention is needed to deter this to save any further lives being lost. Agreed that the Clerk to contact the Ward Cllrs, to determine the best course of action to slow the traffic travelling through the village. It was also discussed whether the village should have deer warning signs: agreed that the Clerk to obtain further advice on this issue.

2. Banner for park:

Agreed not to pursue the banner idea for the park.

3. Christmas preparations:

Resolved that:

- Eight new sets of lights to be purchased for the Christmas tree in Greenwood Park this year;
- Clerk to investigate the possibility of having security lights/CCTV on the cricket club building, with the Chair of the Cricket Club and the Parks Department;
- A larger tree than the ones provided in recent years to be investigated.

4. Yorkshire Day flags:

Resolved that the Yorkshire Day flags to be installed on the local houses again this year: Clerk to write to all relevant households and Cllr Craft to liaise with the contractor regarding their installation.

5. Greenwood Park:

Resolved that the Clerk to liaise with the Parks Department regarding placing more litter bins in Chellow Dene, cost to be covered by the Parish Council, and to request more regular emptying of the bins in Greenwood Park.

6. Community engagement:

Resolved that:

- The administration of the Parish Council Facebook page to be taken over by the Clerk, and to be used more extensively to publicise the public forum section of the monthly meetings to encourage community engagement;
- The Clerk to investigate the purchase of an 'Eid Mubarak' decoration for placing on the cricket club building.

68/20 Planning issues

- 1. Planning applications: None received.
- 2. Notifications of planning decisions by Bradford Council:
 - a) Application 20/01262/HOU: two storey side extension at 21 Acacia Drive, Sandy Lane **granted** (Parish Council had no objection on principle to this application, however highlighted the need to ensure that two parking spaces are still available within the plans).
- 3. Local Development Plan:

No updates received.

69/20 Financial matters

Resolved that the following financial matters were agreed:

- 1. The following accounts for payment were approved:
 - a. Bradford Council for salaries for May 2020 (£651.62);
 - b. Clerk's reimbursement (£117.74) for postage (£27.75) and laptop security protection (£89.99);
 - c. Anthony Clark for gardening work (£75.00);
 - d. Chris Hawkesley for internal audit (£150.00).
- 2. Annual Return 2019-20 approved:
 - Annual Internal Audit Report noted;
 - Section 1 of the Annual Return for 2019-20 approved and signed;
 - Section 2 of the Annual Return for 2019-20 approved and signed;
 - Clerk to send completed Annual Return to external auditors and to organise all necessary arrangements for the Exercise of Public Rights.

70/20 Clerk's appraisal

The Clerk reported that the Clerk's appraisal has taken place and all is going well.

71/20 Correspondence received

- Emails from Parks Department and banner company re banner for Greenwood Park: acknowledged, see item 67/20/2;
- Emails from YLCA re coronavirus information, White Rose publications, etc.: acknowledged;
- Email from Bradford Council re CIL payments: acknowledged;
- Email from resident regarding changing privacy status of local independent Facebook group: acknowledged, noted that the settings of this page have now been changed to public again;
- Email from resident re removal of 680 bus: acknowledged, Clerk to liaise with the Ward Cllrs;
- Email from resident re Yorkshire Day flags: acknowledged, see item 67/20/4.

72/20 Minor items and items for next agenda

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

73/20 To note the date, time and venue of next meeting

Next monthly meeting of the Parish Council due to be held on Monday 13th July 2020 at 6.00pm remotely via Zoom.

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