

Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting

Held at the Community Centre Monday 24th April 2017.

Present Cllrs. D North (Chair), P Ford (vice chair) J Giles, R Booker, D Dyson, B Lee. P Makinson. K Wicks, C Barnett, J Walker (clerk) J Timlin (Barnsley Chronicle. Eight members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence. None all members present.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting. Held Monday 27th March 2017 were read.

3. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

91 B. At the commencement of the meeting Mr J Hallows from Barnsley Neighbourhood Watch gave a talk on mobile CCTV cameras and provided costings. Mr Hallows had an example and demonstrated its use. Cllr P Makinson said we have had some offers of funding from local businesses. The chair said he would be chasing these offers up.

The chair asked if J Hallows had got back to anyone Cllr R Booker said I thought we were getting back to him.

91 C. Also attending the meeting two representatives Mr M Hart and Dave from Hiendley Harriers JFC attended to introduce themselves and official request the use of the football facilities. Their intention is to develop junior teams with the hope to carry players through to senior teams. They said they have some experience of funding applications and would look at applying for funding to upgrade the astro turf. They have started using the recreation ground for training and seem to be well organised. Cllr P Makinson asked if they had got back regarding funding for the astro turf. The chair said they need to get settled in. Cllr K Wicks said get in touch with them, the chair said I see them at the weekends so will raise it with them. Cllr R Booker said for the members of the public we should explain that this is regarding getting funding to upgrade the astro turf area to a 4G surface.

59 C. Cllr D Dyson said patrons of The Singing Man are parking on the grass areas churning up the area. Cllr P Makinson said he would be asked at the next North East Ward Alliance meeting if there is any funding available to extend the fence.

Cllr P Makinson will be attending the next North East Ward Alliance on Wednesday 1st March 2017.

Cllr P Makinson said he has now secured funding to install two bollards and this money will be received shortly.

Cllr D Dyson and P Makinson said we have got the money from the North East Alliance but now need more money because a car has been through the fence.

76 B. A member of the public said there has been another serious road traffic accident on Sandy Bridge Lane and it was time something was done to prevent accidents. A member of the public said two police officers were there on Sunday observing traffic. Cllr P Makinson said the best deterrent to speeding traffic is the speed indication device which flashes up each vehicles speed. The chair said in the past we have had numerous meetings with highways officers and the police. All are happy that the road markings and signage are sufficient for the road conditions.

Cllr P Makinson said the police have said in the past that there are not enough serious accidents on this stretch of road. The chair read a proposed petition which may be used in the future. PCSO V Rushton said they will be having further training on speed cameras shortly. A member of the public said they have pulled two vehicles out of the ditches recently. Ward Cllr D Higginbottom said signs don't slow everybody down. A member of the public said all we want is some signage to warn of the bends adding the signs at Redferns light up to indicate each vehicles speed. A member of the public said we need to keep pursuing the issue. A site meeting has taken place which was attended by Cllrs D North, P Ford and D Dyson the three North East Ward councillors, the head of highways services Cllr R Miller and highways officers from BMBC.

The highways officers said the road surface is in good condition. The signage and road markings were in keeping with the roads requirements and that bad drivers don't adhere to road signs or markings. No alterations were agreed. The chair said we will wait to see if they get back to us. Cllr P Makinson asked if we could write to ask for speed camera operations to be carried out on Sandy Bridge Lane.

85 B. Cllr J Giles asked if anything could be done to stop vehicles parking on the pavement between Shafton WMC and the traffic lights and the area of Brierley Road around the pedestrian crossing. The PCSO officers said they could look at the obstruction issues. Cllr J Giles said there had been no change.

86 A. The chair said the condition of the highway on Shafton High Street is a disgrace all along its length through to Dog Hill. In particular there is a lip in the road at the Sainsbury's junction. The chair asked Cllr Higginbottom to raise this with highways and Cllr R Miller. The chair asked the clerk to ask if this could be on the next maintenance program.

The clerk was asked to write to highways and the three ward Cllrs. J Timlin said he would arrange for photographs to be taken of the step in the road along High Street.

4. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.

4 A. Ratification proposed by Cllr P Ford seconded by Cllr J Giles. The minutes of 27th March 2017 are ratified.

5. Police Matters

95. The chair said we will ask why we have no police present again and haven't had any feedback from the one meeting they did send a representative to.

95 B. A member of the public asked if the bridal path on Sandy Bridge Lane would be reopened. The chair said we have submitted the paper work with BMBC and will contact the footpaths officers for an update.

96 A. A member of the public asked if the timing of the traffic lights could be looked at. The clerk was asked to enquire at BMBC.

99 A. A member of the public said the area around the substation in the school field was in need of a clean-up. The chair said he would visit the school tomorrow.

The chair has visited the school who said they are waiting for the utilities company to arrange a clean-up of the area.

6. Roads/ Footpaths/ Lighting.

6 A. The chair reported that the 30mph sign has been knocked down again on Sandy Bridge Lane.

6 B. Cllr K Wicks said following complaints about a sign on the junction of Dog Hill and Dog Hill Drive. He has driven the area and couldn't see any problem with the sign. The member of the public accepted his observations.

6 C. Cllr J Giles said there has been no change regarding vehicles parking on the pavements between Shafton WMC and the traffic lights and the area of Brierley Road around the pedestrian crossing. The chair reported that five vehicles have been ticketed for parking within the bus stop area. Cllr R Booker said they should also look at the area outside Sainsbury's. Cllr P Makinson said that the road markings at Sainsbury's are now correct so they can now enforce parking laws in that area. The chair said he will raise the issue at tomorrow's crime sub group.

7. Community Centre/ Playing Fields/Allotments.

7 A. The chair reported that we have had a skip on the allotments to remove rubbish the site is tidy again now. Some concrete blocks that were on site have been recycled to Sandy Bridge Lane.

7 B. The fields are looking well and the community centre and the bowling green are well used.

8. Correspondence.

8 A. Fostering leaflets from BMBC.

9. Any other business.

9 A. The chair said he has reported fly tipping of five industrial tyres on Engine Lane Close.

9 B. Cllr P Makinson reported that the North East Alliance community fund this year is £20,000.00 our area's portion of this is £3,750.00. There is also £2,300.00 for a Christmas tree event which is an annual event that takes place in a different ward each year. From this money it is expected that an electricity supply is funded.

9 C. Cllr P Makinson also reported that monies from littering and parking fines within the north east wards will be put into a pot for distribution throughout the villages.

10. Date of next meeting 30th May 2017 at 07.00pm.

There being no further business brought for discussion the Chairman closed the meeting at 08.10pm.