

## **Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting**

**Held at the Community Centre Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017.**

**Present** Cllrs. D North (Chair), P Ford (vice chair) J Giles, D Dyson, P Makinson. K Wicks, J Walker (clerk). Ten members of the public.

**23. Apologies for absence** were received from Cllrs R Booker, B Lee, and J Timlin (Barnsley Chronicle)

**24. Minutes of the previous meeting.** Held Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were read.

**25. Matters arising** from the minutes of the previous meeting.

**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.

The problem is getting worse. At The Brickyard the pavement is frequently completely blocked. The chair asked a member of the public to bring pictures to the next crime sub group meeting.

Cllr P Makinson attended the last PACT meeting where they agreed to make parking the priority throughout the North East area. The public can report instances of parking obstructing pavements by phoning 101.

A member of the public said parking on the High Street is so bad, that she walks through the Ideal Homes estate to avoid the High Street.

**17 A.** No representative from the police. Cllr P Ford asked can we write to Dr A Billings to see what's happened to the PCSO officers. The clerk said he would email him.

The chair said following the email to Dr Billings. I have been contacted by the sergeant at Royston police station. The sergeant said when they have recruited more PCSO officers and got them organised we will be able to attend meetings.

**18 A.** Cllr P Makinson said to help with the parking problems on the High Street will Berneslai Homes clear The Square behind Manor View and put up garages for the tenants. Cllr C Barnett said BMBC have sold off all its unused garage sites. A member of the public said it has been done behind Sainsburys. The chair said that is on private land. But I will ask J Taylor for a site meeting to see if anything can be done.

The chair had a meeting with J Taylor at Berneslai Homes who said the environmental budget has been stopped so they have no funding to carry out any works.

**19 A.** Cllr D Dyson said the patient panel had been cancelled so nothing to report back. Barnsley Healthcare Federation had informed the clerk that this meeting would be cancelled due to them receiving so many apologies for absence.

A member of the public said there are no permanent doctors at The Highgate Surgery. A member of the public said she had attended Pontefract Hospital where she was asked the name of her doctor. When she said I don't have one because it is run on locums they couldn't believe it and told me I had a right to a named family doctor. Cllr P Ford said I go to Brierley Surgery which is run by the same organisation. The doctors there work at different surgeries. If you look on your prescription's the doctors name will be on there.

Cllr P Makinson asked can we write to Mr Logan and the ward councillors to ask what is happening at the Shafton and Brierley surgeries. Can we also invite the ward councillors to attend our next meeting to explain what is going on?

**21 A.** The chair said a lorry has fly tipped a load of rubbish on the footpath off Collier Road. The chair said it has been reported to BMBC.

**21 C.** A member of the public asked can you mark a yellow box in front of the gates to the park to deter cars from parking there. Cllr Ford said we can do it in white.

**26. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.**

26 A. Ratification proposed by Cllr P Ford seconded by Cllr D Dyson. The minutes of 30<sup>th</sup> May 2017 are ratified.

**27. Police Matters**

27 A. No representatives attended.

**28. Roads/ Footpaths/ Lighting.**

28 A. A member of the public asked if BMBC have stopped spraying weeds on the roads. Because the weeds on Redthorne Way are a disgrace. The chair said we have been removing weeds from the sides of the High Street and when this is complete we will move onto the side roads.

**29. Community Centre/ Playing Fields/Allotments.**

29 A. Cllr P Makinson said Mr J Cook has asked where he is on the allotment waiting list. The clerk was asked to check the list.

**30. Correspondence.**

30 A. Monthly planning information from BMBC. There are no planning issues within the Shafton area.

30 B. Received monthly update of electors from BMBC.

**31. Any other business.**

31 A. A member of the public said the footpath leading to Collier Way is almost covered with ivy.

31 B. A member of the public asked if anything was going to be done to tidy up around the substation in the corner of Shafton Primary Academy. The clerk was asked to write to the academies business manager to request a site meeting.

31 C. Cllr J Giles said wheelie bins are causing an obstruction on the pavement at Deans. The clerk was asked to write to the home owners to request that they put their bins behind their homes.

31 D. A member of the public asked if Cllr J Ennis was still carrying out his ward councillor duties while he is the mayor. The chair said yes he is still the ward councillor. The public said in that case he should attend meetings and if he won't come we'll go higher.

31 E. Cllr P Makinson said he has spoken to BMBC highways about a sign to direct people to the community centre. They said they have a small budget for this type of sign and they will design one and erect it. No location for the sign was agreed.

31 F. Cllr P Makinson said we should write to BMBC highways and the ward councillors about traffic calming measures at the bottom of Dog Hill / Sandy Bridge Lane. Because in the last two months there has been a car though the fence in front of The Singing Man and the bus shelter has been wiped out by a vehicle.

31 G. A member of the public said there is a concrete box on Sandy Bridge Lane which is open with exposed electrical wires inside. The chair said we would go and have a look.

**32. Date of next meeting** 31<sup>st</sup> July 2017 at 07.00pm.

There being no further business brought for discussion the Chairman closed the meeting at 07.50pm.