

Minutes of the Monthly Parish Council Meeting

Held at the Community Centre Monday 31st July 2017.

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

33. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr C Barnett. And Ward Cllrs J Ennis, A Hampson and D Higginbottom.

34. Minutes of the previous meeting. Held Monday 26th June 2017 were read.

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

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.

The clerk has spoken to BMBC officers. Who said they are still spraying but the frequency of applications has been reduced.

31 A. A member of the public said the footpath leading to Collier Way is almost covered with ivy. The chair has reported this to BMBC.

36. Ratification of the minutes of the previous meeting.

36 A. Ratification proposed by Cllr P Ford seconded by Cllr D Dyson. The minutes of 26th June 2017 are ratified.

37. Police Matters

37 A. The chair reported that due to staffing levels PCSO officers won't be attending meetings.

A member of the public said a relative has had their garage broken into, when fishing tackle and tools were stolen. The police did attend and investigate when it was report.

Cllr D Dyson said that things don't get reported because not being able to get through on the 101 number. The chair said that Shafton Academy has had some of its astro turf stolen.

38. Roads/ Footpaths/ Lighting.

38 A. Cllr B Lee said that along High Gate Way at the side of Sainsbury's there are seven damaged kerbstones. The clerk was asked to report to highways.

38 B. Cllr P Makinson said the double yellow lines along High Gate Way are incomplete so vehicles parked along this road can't be issued parking tickets. The clerk was asked to report to BMBC.

38 C. Cllr B Lee said the trees around Plumpton park play area are over hanging the pavement causing an obstruction to pedestrians.

39. Community Centre/ Playing Fields/Allotments.

39 A. The play group has now finished for the summer break.

40. Correspondence.

40 A. A request to hold a charity fund raising event in the recreation ground and community centre on Saturday 9th December 2017 between 10.00am / 04.00pm. The event will be raising funds for The National Autism Society. Cllr P Ford proposed that the request is granted at no charge. Cllr B Lee seconded the proposal. The meeting voted unanimously in favour of the proposal. The proposal is carried.

40 B. Information of a planning application for 7 Acacia Grove Shafton for the erection of a single storey rear extension. No issues or comments were raised.

40 C. A copy of the (West Riding of Yorkshire County Council definitive map and statement) (Shafton) modification number 3 2017. Which in line with the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 concludes. On 17th July 2017 Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council confirmed the above named order. The effect of which is to modify the definitive map and statement for the area by adding a public footpath running from Sandy Bridge Lane north of Shafton village and proceeding easterly parallel to Hemp Dyke to join public footpath Number 6 at the disused railway.

41. Any other business.

41 A. A member of the public said, I live on Shafton Hall Drive and the property opposite mine has applied for planning permission for a large garage which will be in front of my living room window. If the planning permission is approved I will be looking out on to a brick wall and it will spoil the view from my home. Local estate agents have said the erection of this garage will reduce my properties value by about £50,000 I have spoken to various planning officers in BMBC planning department who I found not to be very helpful. I have raised a petition of 530 names who support my objections.

The chair said the best way forward is to submit the petition to BMBC who will discuss it at full cabinet. Ask for a site meeting with planning officers where they will be able to see what effects the erection will have on you and your property.

Cllr B Lee said you will have been informed of the planning application when it was first submitted, because the planning department inform all people living in close proximity.

Cllr P Makinson asked if we could check that the Parish Council had notification of this planning application. The clerk will check.

41 B. Cllr D Dyson booked the community centre meeting room for the next patient panel which will be held on 3rd October between 12.00 / 14.00.

41 C. A member of the public asked if they could put an information leaflet in the notice board. This will be for a history event at Felkirk church. The date and times are not confirmed yet. The meeting agreed to the leaflet being displayed.

41 D. Cllr P Makinson said a site meeting has been arranged for 11.00am on Friday morning with D Gill and an electrician to determine the location of the Christmas tree.

42. Date of next meeting 25th September 2017 at 07.00pm.

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

