

**MINUTES OF HARDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD 13<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2009 AT 7.30PM IN THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

**Present**

Councillors – Michael Andrews, Chairman, John Bagnall, Colin Booth, Hannah Cummins  
Clerk - Jessica Mathews  
2 members of the public, 2 youth workers and 15 young people

**1. Apologies**

Cllr Alan Sykes  
Cllr Kay Kirkham  
District Cllr Margaret Eaton

**2. Declarations of Interest**

None.

**3. Public Question Time**

The youth workers and young people had been approached by Cllr Cummins in Harden Park and invited to attend the meeting. The Chairman expressed his delight that so many young people had made the effort to come along and emphasised how important it is for the PC to gain the views of all members of the parish, particularly the younger members. The youth workers introduced themselves and explained that they had been working with groups meeting in the Park. The Chairman felt that it was more appropriate to organise a separate meeting to hear the views of these groups. The young people agreed to come along to a meeting and to speak to their peers. One clear item that was highlighted was the need for a shelter; this will be discussed further at a future meeting.

**4. To confirm minutes of meetings held 9<sup>th</sup> July 2009**

**Resolved.** The minutes, of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July, are a true and accurate record. Cllr Andrews signed a copy of them.

**5. Replacement Parish Councillor**

Sue Whitehead has resigned. A notice has been posted on the board from the 3<sup>rd</sup> August. If no petition is raised for an election the Chairman will advertise with a notice on the board to ask if anyone is interested in being co-opted onto the PC.

**6. Medical Facilities**

The surgery has replied. Points made are as follows:

- Booking system  
Agreed is an area needing to be addressed, but only a finite number of appointments available. 30% of appointments can now be booked one month in advance.
- Booking to see a named GP  
Duty doctors are rotated daily; role of training practice means doctors are often training others; practice offers enhanced medical procedures involving GPs; whilst

undergoing treatment an advanced appointment would be made to ensure review by the same GP.

- Same day appointments

Phone consultations offered daily; patients will no longer be asked to ring back the next day if there are no appointments but will instead be rung back by the Duty doctor; suggestion to contact Wilsden PC about car sharing scheme to the surgery.

- Same day appointments only available 10-11.30am

Saturday surgery offered to working people; new communications officer to address issues of people not being made aware of this; looking into an online booking facility.

- Receptionist asking 'what is your problem?'

This will be addressed at the next staff training session to ensure sensitive handling.

Cllr Booth will meet with Ms Jerome to discuss transport issues in particular the voluntary driver scheme.

## **7. Pharmacy**

The Chairman officially opened the new pharmacy which shares the post office premises.

## **8. Traffic Proposals**

Proposals to add double yellow lines to designated areas on Keighley Road, Wilsden Road and Ferrands Park Way met with no objections from the PC.

## **9. Speed Watch**

The PC will assist the speedwatch scheme on the following dates:

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August Cllr Bagnall, Cllr Andrews and Cllr Sykes

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September Cllr Cummins, Cllr Kirkham and Cllr Booth

## **10. Valley Group**

Valley has offered to provide 2 large notice boards to replace the current ones. They will be weather proof and will include wording 'Harden Parish Council'. They will also acknowledge valley Group's donation. Hoping to be completed in September.

## **11. NPT Meeting 21<sup>st</sup> July**

Crime has fallen in all 5 areas. Criminal damage and vandalism reported at the golf course.

## **12. Parish Liaison Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> July**

Cllr Booth attended with Cllr Cummins. The main point of interest was about planning protocol – Ward Cllrs are to get agreement that BMDC will pay for the necessary equipment need by PC's from the savings made from less printing and postage.

### **13. Website**

Clerk to get further details for a future meeting.

### **14. Remembrance Sunday**

It was agreed that the PC will purchase and lay a wreath as last year. Clerk to organise.

### **15. Voluntary Driver scheme**

No response from notice asking for more drivers. The Church has not helped. 6 drivers in Harden; 10 in Wilsden; Denholme and Cullingworth have none. Some concern that requests for lifts are not always genuine. Cllr Booth to meet Ms Jerome at the surgery.

### **16. Payments for approval**

No payments as yet this month.

### **17. Correspondence**

Country Air; Denholme Town Plan; Standards Committee minutes; Shipley area consultation; Heritage Day; letter copied to Chairman from J.A Urwin re closing the twines.

Cllr Andrews closed the meeting at 9.00pm.

### **18. Planning Applications**

**09/03149/HOU** Kennicot Wilsden Old Road Harden Bingley BD16 1JF

#### **NO OBJECTIONS**

Attention to be drawn to section 5 where the plans state falsely that there will be no new access. Access will be from Narrow Lane not Wilsden Old Road.

**09/03211/FUL** Blantyre Keighley Road Harden Bingley West Yorkshire BD21 5RA

#### **NO OBJECTIONS**

**09/03453/HOU** Rosedene Long Lane Harden Bingley West Yorkshire BD16 1BY

#### **NO OBJECTIONS**

**09/03460/HOU** 9 Harbeck Drive Harden Bingley West Yorkshire BD16 1JG

#### **NO OBJECTIONS**

The meeting was closed at 9.25pm

**The next Parish Council meeting will be held  
on 10<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm in Harden Primary School.**