

**MINUTES OF HARDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD 8<sup>TH</sup>OCTOBER 2009 AT 7.30PM IN HARDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**Present**

Councillors –Alan Sykes (acting Chairman), Kay Kirkham, Colin Booth, Hannah Cummins  
Clerk - Jessica Mathews  
1 members of the public

**1. Apologies**

Cllr Mike Andrews  
Cllr John Bagnall  
District Cllr Margaret Eaton

**2. Declarations of Interest**

None.

**3. Public Question Time**

Thank–you to the PC for their part in the cutting down of vegetation on Narrow Lane.

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

**Resolved.** The minutes, of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September, are a true and accurate record. Cllr Sykes signed a copy of them.

**5. Co-option of a new member**

Cllr Cummins proposed Sarah Bladen to fill the vacancy. This was accepted by those present and had been accepted by the Chairman before he went on holiday. The Clerk will send Sarah's contact details to the PC members and the appropriate paperwork and other relevant documents to her.

**Resolved.** Sarah Bladen will fill the vacant post of Councillor.

**6. Remembrance Service**

A wreath will be ordered by the clerk and details of the local service will be added into the BMDC publication. A civil presence will be requested.

**7. Neighbourhood Forum**

The Chair and Vice Chair were concerned to hear that the proposed pedestrian refuge that they had discussed with BMDC engineer Simon D'Vali had been scrapped as there is not enough room for it. They are awaiting a response on the issue and will challenge the decision.

Ireland Bridge will be closed over the weekend of the 10/11<sup>th</sup> October and again on the 24<sup>th</sup> October whilst the bats are removed. Diversion signs and a bus service will be in

place, although the PC expressed concern that there will be no bus service covering St Ives.

## **8. Parish Plan**

Cllrs Andrews and Sykes have written a draft document which has been circulated to the other PC members. A meeting towards the end of the month will allow the PC to discuss the draft and choose photographs to use in the final plan. The meeting will incorporate a planning meeting as well.

## **9. Harden Park**

Cllr Booth reported on the park. Points rose as follows;  
Less incidents of dog fouling: rubbish under shrubs is building up again: bottles from young people have not been as bad but they have relocated to the cricket ground where there have been some problems: 3 lorry wheels removed from the beck.

Clerk to remind the Parks and Landscape Manager to remove and cut back shrubs and remove the litter there.

Local PCSO shift is until 3am in Bingley on a Friday night so Cllr Booth has requested that he calls on the park at midnight to check for anti social behaviour.

## **10. Noticeboards**

The new noticeboards are up. The PC agreed to pay the cost of taking the old ones down and putting the new ones up.  
Any local community organisation can put a notice in them.  
The PC would like to thank Valley Group for providing them.

## **11. Newsletter**

Cllr Kirkham requested cllrs email her with suggestions of topics. Cllr Booth asked that the newsletter be used as a PR tool for the PC to help encourage village pride.

## **12. Memorial Hall**

The new boiler was installed on the 5<sup>th</sup> October.

## **13. Speedwatch**

All Cllrs are now trained to carry out speedwatch duties. The PC is keen to do a regular speedwatch, Wilsden do one a week. Local volunteers are sought to enable this. The PCSO will provide future dates. He also wishes to walk the village with a PC member.

## **14. Website**

The Clerk is setting up a free trial with a company recommended by the YLCA. Further details with costs will be sent to cllrs once received by Vision Websites.

### **15. Parish Liaison meeting**

The next meeting is Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October in Keighley. Cllr Sykes will attend. He will raise ongoing concerns the PC has over proposed electronic planning procedures and consultation with the PC on the subject.

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

No payments as yet this month.

### **17. Correspondence**

Haworth Parish Plan; YLCA meeting 11.11.09; Integrated Youth support – Shipley report; Keighley Road Culvert repairs to start 9<sup>th</sup> November -5<sup>h</sup> January 2010.

Cllr Sykes closed the meeting at 8.58pm.

### **18. Planning Applications**

09/04360/HOU Meadcroft, Harbeck Drive. Two storey extension and garage extension.

**No objections** to the garage but

**Object** to the side extension on the grounds of it overlooking 12 Narrow Lane.

The meeting was closed at 9.15pm

**The next Parish Council meeting will be held  
on 12<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in Harden Primary School.**