

**MINUTES OF HARDEN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD 13th MAY 2010 AT 7.30PM IN HARDEN MEMORIAL HALL**

Present

Councillors – Mike Andrews, John Bagnall, Alan Sykes, Kay Kirkham, Colin Booth
Clerk - Jessica Mathews
2 members of the public

01/0510. Apologies

Councillors, Hannah Cummins, Sarah Bladen

02/0510. Declarations of Interest

None.

03/0510. Public Question Time

The members of public had come to the meeting to raise issues regarding the congregation of young people outside the Memorial Hall each night. They complained of footballs being hit against the fence repeatedly, urinating in the corner of the building by the fire escape, foul language and drinking. The PC encouraged the couple to keep the Police informed and will look to address other issues raised in their continuing development of the Hall. The youth leaders of the Youth club that runs until 9pm on a Tuesday night will be informed of the issues.

04/0510 To confirm minutes of meetings held 8th April 2010

Resolved. The minutes, of the meeting held on 8th April 2010, are a true and accurate record. Cllr Andrews signed a copy of them.

05/0510. Website

The website www.hardenparishcouncil.co.uk is live. The PC extended their thanks to the clerk for her work so far to develop the site.

06/0510. Memorial Hall

A meeting of the sub committee is yet to happen but a meeting with the custodian of the hall Mark Davies will take place on 20th May to discuss progress. Securing funding for the hall may be difficult because the hall is owned by the local authority. The sub committee will look at coming up with a plan of what should be done and then approach the local authority. The support of the District Councillors is also needed; in particular Cllr Mike Ellis will be contacted to gain further information about his work in fighting for the future of the hall, as mentioned in his recent election leaflet. Cllr Kirkham mentioned the possibility of Section 108 being used in the future to help gain money that could be allocated to spend on the hall.

07/0510. Youth Club

The youth club will be discussed at next month's meeting as Cllr Cummins could not attend this meeting due to illness.

08/0510. Shipley Smart and Clean Campaign

Nominations are as follows:

Litter in Harden Park; rubbish in the culvert by the fish and chip shop; litter along Millbeck Drive to Keighley Road; a large pot hole in Keighley Road passed the bend; a new litter bin in the car park on Keighley Road by the moor; a cleanup of Ryecroft Road and Keighley Road verges; replace dying trees along Wilsden Road; plant bulbs along both Wilsden Road, Bingley Road and in beds outside the Post Office; repair approach to the Memorial hall and an anti dog fouling campaign.

The clerk will send the nominations into the Area Co coordinators office.

09/0510. Standing Orders

Cllr Sykes will produce a document that includes the mandatory orders a PC should have as taken from the model standing orders from the NALC. This will then be considered for adoption by Harden Parish Council. The orders need to be in a language all councillors can understand easily.

10/0510. Newsletter

Cllr Kirkham will produce the newsletter for the end of this month.

11/0510. Volunteer Driver Scheme

Cllr Booth has heard about a driver scheme that is NHS funded in Bingley and will investigate further. There is a meeting in Wilsden for the local schemes which he will attend and will suggest that a mobile phone be purchased that can be used by patients to tell drivers they are ready for collection after their appointments.

12/0510. Payments for approval

The accounting statements for the year end accounts were signed by the Chairman and the Clerk and are ready to be sent to the external auditors.

13/0510. Correspondence

- Craig Williams, BDMC Senior Traffic Engineer, regarding the proposed waiting restrictions in Harden. A letter will be sent to those residents consulted previously by the end of May to say that the TRO will be in the press and formally advertised on site by the end of July.
- John Anderson, BDMC Principal Engineer Dept Regeneration regarding the replacement culvert that carries Harden Road over Midgram Beck. Works will commence on 17th May.

- Harden pre school have replied to the letter sent by the PC regarding the omission of the preschool in the questionnaire. The Pre school have noted the PC comments.
- Christine Di Mascio has contacted the PC regarding the unrecorded way from the end of Valley View. The Chairman will contact Christine personally and also speak to the farmer involved.

The meeting was closed at 9.30 pm

The next meeting will be held on 10th June 2010

at 7.30pm in Harden Memorial Hall