

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF HARDEN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 11 DECEMBER 2014 AT 7.15PM IN HARDEN MEMORIAL HALL**

Present

Councillors John Bagnall, Matthew Gore (Chair of meeting), Robert Hartley, Kay Kirkham, Alan Sykes

Clerk Eve Haskins

In attendance No members of the public were present

1/1214 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Gregson and Laking.

2/1214 Declarations of Interest

None.

3/1214 To confirm minutes of meeting held on 13 November 2014

The minutes of meeting held on 13 November 2014 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

4/1214 Planning applications

- a) 14/04765/HOU – 14 Progress Avenue, Harden: side extension - **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council have **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

5/1214 Public Representation

None.

6/1214 Exchange of Information

None.

7/1214 Update on playground refurbishment

Clerk updated all that the work on the refurbishment of the playground is progressing well and agreed to keep this as a standing agenda item until an opening event has been organised once all the work is complete.

8/1214 Christmas event and tree

Parish Council all agreed that the Christmas lighting event went really well.

RESOLVED that:

1. Mulled wine and buns for the children are considered when organising next year's event;
2. To liaise with St Saviour's Church re switching the lights on when all those attending are still outside, rather than inside, for next year's event;
3. Julia Gregson, Chair of Parish Council, to liaise with Children's Gala Committee to suggest that they take responsibility for any contributions to this year's tree (which was kindly funded by two residents) and to suggest that the Parish Council would be willing to organise the tree in future if necessary.

9/1214 BMDC and Local Council Liaison meeting

Cllr Kirkham reported back from the recent Local Council Liaison meeting with BMDC, the notes from which have been previously circulated. It concentrated mainly upon the New Deal for Bradford.

10/1214 Precept and Budget 2015-16

RESOLVED that:

1. This item is deferred to the next agenda, when there will be a full discussion upon and decisions made regarding the budget and precept for 2015-16;
2. Cllr Bagnall to provide accounts information at this meeting;
3. Budget allocations may be considered for the following: horticulture, anti-crime, children, playground upkeep, Christmas lights, Memorial Hall, Small Grants, representation at Harden Children's Gala;
4. Budget allocations may not be considered for the following: litter/dog fouling, traffic calming, benches;
5. All members to bring project ideas and estimated costings to the next meeting for discussion.

11/1214 Parish Plan

RESOLVED that the updating of the Parish Plan will be discussed again at the next meeting, with regard to the budget implications for this.

12/1214 Meeting dates for 2015

RESOLVED that Parish Council to continue to meet on the second Thursday of each month, at 7.15pm in Harden Memorial Hall.

13/1214 Clerk's wages and hours

RESOLVED that this item be deferred until the next meeting.

14/1214 Clerk's appraisal

RESOLVED that this item be deferred until the next meeting.

15/1214 Payments for approval

RESOLVED that:

1. The following payments were approved and cheques duly signed:
 - **£181.62** Woodbank Nurseries
 - **£93.03** Clerk's expenses (including travel, keys cutting, entrance mat)
 - **£156.00** Vision ICT for annual website hosting
 - **£36.00** Cllr Kirkham (for mince pies)
 - **£474.78** Annual insurance
2. The Parish Council to pursue a three year agreement with the insurance company to receive a 5% discount.

16/1214 Correspondence

- Email from BMDC re Shipley Area Community Heroes Awards: acknowledged;
- Email from BMDC re memorial survey: acknowledged;
- Email from BMDC re Local Council Liaison meeting: see item 9/1214 above;
- Email from YLCA re National Joint Council pay recommendations; acknowledged, see item 13/1214 above.

17/1214 Planning decision notifications from Bradford Council

None.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

**The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 8 January 2015 at 7.15pm in
Harden Memorial Hall**