

**BAILDON PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT BAILDON LINK ON  
MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2012**

**Present:**

Councillor Ashton- Chair  
Councillor Brook  
Councillor Haley  
Councillor L'Amie  
Councillor Taylor  
Councillor Martin  
Councillor Andrews  
Councillor Flecknoe  
Councillor Dixon  
Councillor Whitehouse

**In attendance:**

Ruth Batterley- Clerk  
Mark Scrimshaw – Environmental Warden  
Fiona Natarajan- Bradford Council  
Anna Frater- Bradford Council  
There were 10 members of the public in attendance.

**Public Participation**

No issues were raised.

**201/11 To accept apologies for absence and consider approving reasons for absence.**

The approval of Councillor Fisher and Councillor Lerner's apologies were proposed by Councillor Ashton, seconded by Councillor L'Amie and agreed.

**202/11 To note any Disclosure of Members' Interests (on any proposed item of debate)**

Councillors Taylor and L'Amie noted their interests as members of Friends of Baildon Moor in the Correspondence item of the Friends of Baildon Moor minutes.

**203/11 To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 12th March 2012**

Councillor Taylor noted that in 194/11 the sentence 'To appoint Matthew Wildman as a non-voting member until the end of April 2012 to the Environment and Regeneration Committee' was included twice.

Subject to the above amendment:

Resolved to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the parish council held on 12th March 2012.

Proposed Councillor Ashton, seconded Councillor Haley and agreed. All were in favour.

## **204/11 Correspondence**

- E-mail from David Walker about the fence to the West side of Hollin Head. .
- E-mail from Highways Agency about M62.
- February 2012 Friends of Baildon Moor minutes.
- Legal advice note from YLCA about pre-determination.
- E-mail about mental health consultation from Director of patient and Public Engagement.
- Letter re: Civic Service in Bradford Cathedral.
- Letter from MP Davies about Neighbourhood Planning.
- Letter from Eon about re-power of Ovendon Moor Wind Farm.

Councillor Flecknoe noted that the standing items about actions arising from Public Participation and Correspondence had been omitted. Councillor Ashton proposed and Councillor Dixon seconded an emergency item:

To consider matters brought in public participation and Correspondence and whether they should be researched for consideration on a future agenda.

All were in favour.

All of the items contained in Correspondence are to be noted apart from the e-mails from David Walker. Councillors Dixon and L'Amie are to arrange to meet with Network Rail about this issue. The parish council Environmental Warden will write to local householders about the rubbish.

The above actions were proposed by Councillor Flecknoe, seconded by Councillor Brook and agreed. All were in favour.

## **205/11 Financial Report**

There were no questions on the financial report.

## **206/11 To co-opt a candidate as councillor to the West Ward.**

Mrs Foster and Mr Whitehouse both gave presentations to the council. Councillors were given the opportunity to ask the candidates questions.

The Chair proposed that the meeting be closed and the public excluded. Councillor Haley seconded the proposal and all were in favour.

The public left the meeting and the council debated the candidates. Members of the public were invited back into the meeting. Mrs Foster received 2 votes and Mr Whitehouse received 6. There was one abstention.

Resolved to appoint Michael Whitehouse as councillor to the West ward.

Proposed Councillor Ashton, seconded Councillor Martin and agreed. All were in favour.

The clerk and Mr Whitehouse signed the declaration of acceptance of office and Mr Whitehouse was given a copy of the Code of Conduct.

Councillor Dixon left the meeting at 8:30pm.

**207/11 To receive Fiona Natarajan to talk about the Gypsy Roma Traveller event that is to be held on Saturday 30/06/12.**

Ms Natarajan gave a presentation about the event:

- She noted that there is a strong history of gypsies in Baildon- dating back to 1770.
- Some of the planned events for the fair are waggon painting, Romany dancing and organised children's activities.
- The Children's Centre, Shipley Area office and other community representatives are all involved.

Councillor Ashton thanked Ms Natarajan for her presentation and said he welcomed the event.

Councillor Ashton proposed and Councillor Flecknoe seconded the re-ordering of the three grant applications. All were in favour.

**209/11 To approve the grant of £599 to Baildon Men's Health group. To note that the power to provide this grant comes from section 137.**

Councillor Ashton had rung Mr Thompson, Chair of the group to clarify gaps in the application.

Councillor L'Amie proposed and Councillor Flecknoe seconded the following amendment:

To approve a grant of £209 for the provision of scales to the Baildon Men's Health group. To note that the power to award this grant comes from sec 137.

Seven were in favour of the amendment, no councillor was against and there were two abstentions from the vote.

It is to be a condition of the grant that if the group dissolves, the scales are to be given to a health group in Baildon. Section 137 was debated and the council decided that the expenditure was commensurate with the benefit.

Resolved to approve £209 for the provision of scales to the Baildon Men's Health group.

Proposed Councillor L'Amie, seconded Councillor Andrews and agreed. Eight were in favour and one was against.

**210/11 To approve the grant of £314 to the Aire Rivers Trust. To note that the power to award this grant comes from sec 137.**

The council debated the benefit of the clean-up work on the River Aire and decided that the benefit was commensurate with the expenditure.

Resolved to award £314 to the Aire Rivers Trust.

Proposed Councillor Ashton, seconded Councillor Martin and agreed. All were in favour.

**208/11 To approve the grant of £3,000 for Baildon Community Link to fund the provision of an out of hour's caretaker.**

Councillor Haley proposed and Councillor Taylor seconded the following amendment:

To approve a grant of £1,500 for Baildon Community Link for the provision of an out of hours caretaker. To review the situation in six months.

The following conditions are to be applied to the grant:

1. At the six month review the parish council will be seeking evidence that the funding has led to three additional bookings per week.
2. A plan is to be shown at the six month review that on-going caretaking support is sustainable.

All were in favour of the amended proposal.

Resolved to approve a grant of £1,500 for Baildon Community Link for an out of hour's caretaker. To review the situation in six months.

Proposed Councillor Ashton, seconded Councillor Taylor and agreed. All were in favour.

**211/11 To agree the proposed initiative by the Environmental Warden for joint working to combat dog fouling in the parish.**

The warden gave the background to his proposal i.e. that patrols staffed by PCSOs, Bradford wardens and himself will take place on Shipley Glen and Baildon Moor. The primary purpose of the patrols is to advise members of the public of their responsibility to pick up their dog's mess under the current legislation for dog fouling. He will also send a letter to dog walking companies that use these areas.

Resolved to agree the proposed initiative for joint working to combat dog fouling in the parish.

Proposed Councillor Flecknoe, seconded Councillor Taylor and agreed. All were in favour.

**212//11 To set the date for the Annual Meeting of the Council as Thursday 14/05/12 at 7:00pm.**

Resolved to set the date for the Annual Meeting of the council as Monday 14/05/12 at 7:00pm.

Proposed Councillor Ashton, seconded Councillor Taylor and agreed. All were in favour.

**213/11 To set the date for the Annual Parish Meeting as being Thursday 24/05/12 at 7:00pm. To approve up to £225 for expenses associated with the meeting.**

Resolved to appoint set the date for the Annual Parish Meeting as Thursday 24/05/12 at 7:00pm and to approve up to £225 for expenses associated with the meeting.

Proposed Councillor Ashton, seconded Councillor Taylor and agreed. All were in favour.

All were in favour, bar one abstention.

**214/11 To write to the Executive portfolio holder for the Environment at Bradford Council, outlining concerns about the use of ariel pesticide spraying on Baildon Moor.**

Resolved to write to the Executive portfolio holder for the Environment at Bradford Council outlining the concerns about the use of ariel pesticide spraying on Baildon Moor.

Proposed Councillor Ashton, seconded Councillor Martin and agreed. All were in favour.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **215/11 To receive the following sets of minutes.**

- Planning.
- Environment and Regeneration.

Both sets of minutes were noted.

### **216/11 To receive information on the following on-going issues and to decide further action where necessary.**

Planning. Councillor Haley noted that staff from Denso Marston had come to the recent Planning meeting to display their plans for expansion of the site.

- Clerk update. The clerk advised that work will be focused on the Annual Return over the next few weeks. The Annual Return is the document that parish councils are required to complete about their financial activity for the financial year just ended. She also noted that she will now be working at The Link Monday-Wednesday mornings, 9:00am -1:00pm.
- Planning. Councillor Haley advised that the Planning Committee had made the comment of 'No Comment' on the application for Denso Marston. He also noted that the plans for Laverly House had been approved at the Shipley Area Planning Panel
- Hoyle Court. There has been no further information from Bradford Council, since last month. Bradford Council had agreed in principle to allow the land to be transferred to the parish council at a reduced or nil cost. Bradford Council is now consulting with ward councillors about the transfer.
- Ward Matters. None to report.

### **217/11 To consider promotional opportunities for items on the agenda.**

- Mike Whitehouse as the new Councillor for West ward
- Grants to Baildon Link, Baildon Mens' Health project and Aire Rivers Trust.
- Gypsy event
- Joint working on dog fouling
- Annual meeting, Annual Parish Meeting
- Letter to the Executive Portfolio Holder for the Environment

### **218/11 To note the date and time of the next meeting as being Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30pm**