

Minutes of the 403rd meeting of Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council
Held on 7th January 2019 at 7.30pm at Trafalgar Infants School, Horsham

- Present Mrs Thomas – Chairman, Mr Davis, Mrs Harris, Mr Dufton, Mr Boffey, Mrs Little, Councillor Dennis, Councillor Crosbie and Mrs McMillan – Clerk.
- 1 member of the public
- 1/403/19 **Apologies for absence** – There were no apologies for absence.
- 2/403/19 **Minutes of the last meeting** - Minutes of the last meeting held on the 3rd December 2018 having been previously circulated were approved. Proposed Mrs Harris and seconded by Mr Dufton.
- 3/403/19 **Matters arising**
- Mrs Little came to say goodbye and wish the Councillors all the best for the future.
- Town Wardens**
Mr Davis has seen the injured warden and she is now back at work. There will be an enquiry as to how it happened. The Wardens will be attending the February meeting. Please think of any questions you would like to ask them.
- The Rec**
The Clerk has emailed a copy of the letter to Christine Costin and Leonard Crosbie.
- Noticeboard in the Rec**
Mr Davis asked the Councils permission to purchase another key so that he and the Clerk can both have one. All agreed. Linda Cheeseman has asked if the Neighbourhood Council can take responsibility for them. This is not a financial undertaking, just a contact for putting leaflets in. Mr Davis will get more details but all agreed in principle.
- Bus Route – Dog and Bacon Green**
A resident had contacted Councillor Dennis about the problem stating it's not residents causing the problem but people parking for the shop or going into town. The bus company said they will support us in trying to get something sorted. We will need to look at a Community Traffic Regulation Order application.

4/403/19

Questions from the public

There were no questions from the public.

5/403/19

Correspondence

SCOPE have asked if there are any suitable sites within the ward to place clothes recycling facilities. Direct them to HDC.

6/403/19

Planning

The Clerk outlined planning applications received since the last meeting.

The application to build new flats at Bilbets has gone to appeal.

7/403/19

Treasurers report

We have a balance of £7987.67.

8/403/19

Highways

Mrs Harris had reported to the Council a car parked on the pavement at the end of Trafalgar Road. The Council sent a representative to look who agreed that it was dangerous. A notice was left for the driver who has not returned since.

9/403/19

Street furniture

There were no items to report.

10/403/19

Reports from outside committees

BLUEPRINT

Mr Boffey attended the last meeting which focused on the selection and appointment of the consultant. All 3 will be invited to discuss their expression of interest with the steering committee. Before seeking funding there needs to be a clear picture of the costs involved to complete the process. The aim is to complete the plan this year.

Street Wardens

The Dec/Jan report has been circulated. The Wardens have been speaking to people parking in Greenway and have issued 3 parking alerts and spoken to 6 parents about safer parking in the area. Councillor Dennis will look into what can be done in the area through the CPZ.

There is a drug problem in the Rec that the Police were unaware of.

The Wardens completed a litter clear up in the Rec, this is not their job. Councillor Crosbie will find out if there is a cleaning schedule for the Rec.

There is concern over mobility scooters going fast in the town. They are only allowed to go 4mph on the footpath and 8mph on

the road. Motorised scooters are not allowed to be used unless on private land.

Special Charge

Mr Davis had attended a meeting with the 2 other chairs and Dominic Bradley to look at the draft special charge for next year. The biggest increase is the cost of the Street Wardens. The towns Christmas lights are up for tender this year as is the Youth contract.

Youth meeting

The next meeting is on the 15th January. Mrs Little will attend this as her last meeting.

Quarterly Neighbourhood meeting

The next meeting is on the 15th January. Mr Boffey will try and attend.

11/403/19

Website

The Clerk will add the vacancy for a member to the website.

12/403/19

AOB

Christmas lights on the Dog and Bacon Green

Mr Dufton wondered if a star could be added to the lights. He will investigate and get costs.

Emergency Winter Plan

The Town Wardens had asked what their duties are under the plan for the Trafalgar Ward. We haven't seen a plan for many years, neither have the other Neighbourhood Councils. Councillor Crosbie will investigate why we are not receiving them.

Speed Checks

The old Speed indicator devices have been replaced by guns which cost £500 and £500 for the tablet to monitor and record numbers, totalling £1000. Could the 3 Neighbourhood Councils look at getting one to share? Mr Davis asked permission to gather more information. A grant of £500 is available. Denne are not keen to be involved. Mr Davis is happy to operate it on our behalf. All agreed for him to gather more information.

Town centre Christmas tree

The tree was put up by charities and not HDC at a cost of about £1100. If HDC were to match the charity donation the cost would need to be added to the Special Charge or Neighbourhood Councils could donate. Members feel that this benefits the whole town so why should the unparished area be

the only ones contributing to it. There was no support for the proposal.

Highways Maintenance

The current contract has been extended to 2020

13/403/19

Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 4th February 2019 at Trafalgar Infant School, Victory Road.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Planning applications

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| DC/18/2432 | 3 West Parade – new roof light to side elevation |
| DC/18/2345 | 39 Warnham Road – demolition of conservatory and construction of a single storey, first and second floor extension and alterations |
| DC/18/2600 | 53 Rookwood Park – 2 x 2 storey extension to front, single and 2 storey extension to the rear, enlarged bay window to the west side |
| DC/18/2621 | 17 Newlands Road – demolish garage and rebuild to form bedroom, bathroom and store |
| DC/18/2727 | 88 Merryfield Drive – 2 storey side extension |