

## IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at 7pm

Present:	Cllr T Hill – Chair Cllr A Carter-Woodwark vice chair Cllr D Fox Cllr H Bellamy	Cllr J Gardner Cllr M Batting Cllr C Hill
In Attendance	Cllr R Peart (DCC) Wildlife Wardens – Robin Aaronson and Dominic Morby	Mrs Clarke - Clerk Five members of the public

Item (a)	Discussion and Decisions (b)
065/24	<b>WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:</b> The Chair opened the meeting at 7:01pm and welcomed everyone. There were apologies from Cllr K Gearon (TDC) and PCSO Bunce who arrived later.
066/24	<b>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:</b> It was agreed by all to accept the minutes of the meeting of Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 as a true and accurate record.
067/24	<b>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:</b> None.
068/24	<b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:</b> Dom Morby (wildlife warden) indicated how well the litter pick went and wanted to give credit where it was due to the Millennium Green for recent work that has been carried out as it's looking great.
069/24	<p><b>REPORTS:</b> Cllr R Peart (DCC) The general election has put Devon and Torbay's devolution deal on hold, however 16 projects focused around housing, climate change, boosting the economy, and support to get care leavers into work will be shown to the new minister on day one of the new government. Cllr McInnes said he is confident whatever government comes into power after the general election it will support devolution.</p> <p>Cllr K Gearon (TDC) – The chairman read out the councillor's report. Cllr Gearon attended the mandatory Planning training at TDC whereby the officers advised they are offering planning training to Town and Parish Councils'. There is a meeting with Phil Shears, Chief Executive Teignbridge DC, on Friday 21 June to discuss ongoing issues and concerns residents may be experiencing in Kingsteignton and Ideford.</p> <p>Despite campaigning against the part pedestrianisation of Queen Street, the works have forged ahead. Residents are encouraged to show their support to local businesses by visiting the town whilst the project takes place, if you can find a parking space!</p> <p>PCSO Bunce – The chairman read out the report and later PCSO Bunce attended the meeting. In the period, 1st May 2024 to the 31st of May 2024, there were 0 recorded offences in the Ideford area, made to the Police.</p> <p>Litter Pick – The chairman provided a summary of the event and indicated that a fair amount of litter was collected. It was suggested perhaps this should take place twice in the year and various councillors and wardens indicated it may be preferable to hold this before the growing season begins and then again in the autumn.</p> <p>Planning discussion occurred over the current situation in TDC. Cllr Peart indicated there is a meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> June for matters to be raised. Cllr Peart also provided a background as to why planning has been slow over the last couple of years.</p>

070/24

**PARISH MATTERS:**

**070.1** Insurance, the chair proposed amalgamating the Millenium Green insurance along with the current parish council insurance. There is a requirement to give the insurance company 30 days notice and the Millenium Green renewal is in October, there were no objections to this.

**070.2** Roads, Highway, Updates:-

Olchard Lane will have a one way system operating on the day of the vintage fayre 10<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

Olchard Lane water works will take place from the 1<sup>st</sup> July to the 17<sup>th</sup> July - Pipe outside Longthorn To the top of Olchard Lane, they may well use traffic control.

Repairs to Olchard Lane are delayed a budget has been put aside. Highways are in contact with the chairman. Rixafer Road is set to be resurfaced, due to safety concerns.

Yellow lines which are principally due to safety concern, the position of these has been checked. The reasons for these are as follows:-

Due to visibility dilemmas and the need of drivers to safely get in and out of the junction. Further concerns were to prevent accidents occurring when children leave the (school) bus. (People were not being sensible and were asked to move but the problem still remained)

Matters raised with the Chair:-

The vegetation around the bus stop on the A380 is overgrown and the road will be closed between Eagle Farm and Splatford Spit for maintenance, it may be possible to have both of these matters dealt with at the same time by the maintenance operatives.

Matters raised with MB:

Artic/HGV lorries going to Kingsteignton via Ideford, there is possible damage to property occurring and the consensus is that Satellite Navigation is the problem. A national express bus has also been through. A question was raised about the possibility of signage in or around *Roadex? Hill*. Cllr Peart indicated he will flag this up again and mentioned that the senior engineer Toby Ball was the person to contact regarding highways signage.

Cllr. Carter-Woodwark mentioned the water on the lane out of the village, a discussion was held as to whether or not this is a spring, as there are aquifers around the village. The plan is to watch what happens with this over the next month particularly when the weather changes.

**070.3** Sustainable Ideford.

Subjects raised including budgets and grants as SI is applying for grants. Cllr Gardner requested funding for the swift lure, £30, which all of the parish council approved. A request to use some of the SI budget being used to support expansion of Devon Wildlife Trusts, Wild Garden' scheme in the village. 6-7 residents have received a certificate from Devon Wildlife Trust for having a mini bio diversity infrastructure in their gardens. Councillors agreed a public event promoting the Wild Garden scheme may be a better option as it avoids any conflict with legislation regarding donations to specific individuals. A discussion was held around providing free seeds and answering any questions residents may have at an event. Cllr Peart indicated he was prepared to fund part of this particularly when it will get youngsters interested in nature.

Trees enquiry - an update will be provided later on this. An area for planting of trees or creating a car park was discussed namely the old play park, Cllr Peart will check the status of the land and will also provide further details on the light filters mentioned in previous meetings.

**070.4** Wildlife Wardens report.

Swift calling machine in the church tower, some of which broke but an enthusiast has built the new units free of charge. A successful bat walk took place, with Tessa Frost from Chudleigh Wildlife running the event. There were approximately 17 people and at various points in the village bats were heard. The wildlife wardens promised a donation of £20 to the Chudleigh Wildlife group and asked if the council would pay this. In total 13 different species have been recorded in the area. All members of the parish council approved the donation of £20 to the Chudleigh Wildlife Group

071/24	<p><b>PLANNING:</b></p> <p><b>071.1</b> The following planning applications were discussed:  <b>23/01952/FUL</b> - Colleybrook Farm, Fore Street. Conversion of existing barns 1 and 2 to holiday accommodation and conversion of barn 5 into a gym.  The council discussed this application noting that the application had been revised and this would result in no adverse effects. The council support this application.</p> <p><b>24/00705/FUL</b> - remove existing static mobile home and replace with chalet (retrospective) 8 Church Road Ideford. The owners attended the meeting and answered the relevant questions and although the council were in full support the owners indicated that the application has been withdrawn again to be changed to affordable housing and this will be re-submitted.</p> <p><b>24/00861/VAR</b>, - Rixafer Bungalow has requested a variation on the planning permission to leave the mobile home in situ. The council believes that the wording on the grant of the planning permission was that the mobile home would be removed and therefore oppose this application. The visual amenity is not the full picture and there is no reason the mobile home should remain there.</p> <p><b>071.2</b> To note the following planning decisions:  <b>24/00455/HOU</b> -IDEFORD - Byways Planning permission granted.  <b>24/00529/HOUDEFORD</b> - Orchard Cottage, Permission Granted.</p> <p><b>071.3</b> Planning Appeal Decision:-  <b>24/00009/FAST</b> Glendon Appeal against the refusal of 23/01297/HOU - Balcony has been allowed.</p> <p><b>071.4</b> Enforcement: Cllr. Carter-Woodwark, Provided an update on the latest enforcement matters.</p>															
072/24	<p><b>Public participation no 2</b>  Cllr Bellamy indicated that the CAB were very pleased with the donation of £250 from IPC, it appears other councils have not contributed to the CAB.</p>															
073/24	<p><b>MATTERS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS TO COUNCILLORS:</b>  A particular concern was raised to the chair by a parishioner about roaming birds, the matter is now in hand and recommendations have been made.</p>															
074/24	<p><b>CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE:</b></p> <p><b>009.1</b> The balance of accounts on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024 was £.  The bank reconciliations for May 2024 were agreed by all and signed by the Chair and Clerk.</p> <p><b>009.2</b> It was agreed by all to make the following payments:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="288 1370 1481 1594"> <tr> <td>£846.46</td> <td>Staff payments</td> <td>Inc Website Maintenance</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£121.50</td> <td>Village Hall</td> <td>Venue hire. Invoices 234,240,238,222,230</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£180.44</td> <td>HMRC</td> <td>¼ Figure Staff costs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£477.60</td> <td>Insurance</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>£30.00</td> <td>Donation/SI</td> <td>J Horn Carpentry</td> </tr> </table> <p>Payments made since the last meeting:  Monthly DD to Scribe Accounts £12.00 + VAT, this is on a ddr.</p> <p><b>009.4</b> Legal and administrative update:</p>	£846.46	Staff payments	Inc Website Maintenance	£121.50	Village Hall	Venue hire. Invoices 234,240,238,222,230	£180.44	HMRC	¼ Figure Staff costs	£477.60	Insurance		£30.00	Donation/SI	J Horn Carpentry
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075/24	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024.  The Chair closed the meeting at 20.31pm</p>															

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