

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Ibstone Parish Council at 7.30pm on  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at the Hall of Ibstone C of E School**

Present:

Cllr Richard Scott- Chairman  
Cllr Melanie Grimsdale  
Cllr Jeremy Malkinson-Vice-Chairman  
Cllr Simon Hammond

And also present: Deirdre Hansen-Clerk  
4 members of the public.

1. The chairman welcomed all present and introduced the council.
2. Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Michael Wright
3. The Chairman gave his report on the past year.

The year to May 2019 has been another busy period for your Parish Council

**Planning Matters**

The pressure on the green spaces within the village that we anticipated last May has been evident in a number of applications received for consultation over the last twelve months.

During the period we noted that several applications were the subject of controversy and we therefore decided to consult with the entire village in order to satisfy ourselves that we were accurately representing the views of the community when responding to Wycombe District Council. The process was completed on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 and the Planning Statement issued to every household was subsequently adopted. We are grateful for the renewed mandate and we continue to apply the policies which we now know are fully supported by our residents.

In addition to several 'normal' applications, two are currently subject to appeal for different reasons, and one retrospective application for development without consent is in progress.

We are also concerned at an apparent lack of consistency in the decision-making process at Wycombe District Council and will take steps to clarify their position at the same time as trying to ensure that they fully understand our wish to improve building design in situations where development is approved.

**Traffic Matters**

The Mobile Vehicle Activated Device continues to be effective in reducing traffic speed, and we will shortly purchase a second one. Parking around the Common has not been such a hot topic as in previous years although a few dog walkers from outside the village still persist in parking on the cricket pitch from time to time.

**County organisation**

You will be aware that Buckinghamshire is to be reorganised into two unitary bodies, becoming effective in May 2020. For this reason, our District and Parish elections have been deferred until next May. The organisation will have a significant impact upon our relationship with senior councils and we will provide further information when it becomes available.

**Village Fireworks Evening**

The PC supported another successful event last November and we once again thank Karen Hammond and her team.

**Litter Pick**

Another very efficient Litter Pick was organised by Irene and Rass Randall this year and we again thank them and all who participated for making our village such an attractive place to live.

**Centenary Memorial to the end of The Great War**

A sarcen stone with a memorial plaque was placed upon the Common and officially blessed by our new team rector Mark Ackford at a well-attended ceremony on 11<sup>th</sup> November. We thank Councillor Grimsdale and her team, and particularly those who

donated their time and materials free of charge for all the hard work which went into making the project such a success. The event was also well reported in the local press.

### Thanks

I would once again like to record our thanks to **Deirdre Hansen**, our Parish Clerk, for ensuring that we have always been fully informed of matters affecting the parish and for guiding us with advice whenever required. Thank you too to all of my **fellow Councillors** for their support and their efforts throughout the year – especially as they may feel that they have had to become planning experts over the period! And finally thank you to **Ibstone School** for the use of this hall for our meetings throughout the year.

#### 4. The Finance Report was circulated.

Summary Receipts and Payments for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019

Income	Yr. ending 31/03/18	Yr. ending 31/03/19	Expenditure	Yr. ending 31/03/18	Yr. ending 31/03/19
Precept	7000	7000	Staff costs	3364.87	3665.04
WDC LCTS grant	75.30	65.13	Clerk wfh allowance	500.00	500.00
Bank interest	20.02	2.04	Donations	333.00	200.00
Repaymnt donation gate	0	500.00	Donations gate	0	500.00
Vat reclaimed	682.43	257.14	Insurance	380.45	375.89
Transparency grant	614.97	0	WWI memorial	0	245.00
Donation Ibstone HS	0	200.00	Clerks exp.	467.86	493.69
Grant BC Cllr Teesdale	0	200.00	Subscriptions	165.89	184.34
Grant WD Cllr Whitehead	2333.00	250.00	Vat	253.67	121.13
Write back Ch 503	0	19.99	Audit	20.00	40.00
			Laptop	590.82	0
			Playgrnd inspection	66.50	66.50
			Web site	444.76	296.50
			Traffic calming	31.55	0
			Training	0	28.95
			Sundry	174.39	90.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>8607.72</b>	<b>8494.30</b>		<b>6793.76</b>	<b>6807.04</b>

#### 5. Public Questions- none.

The Chairman..... Date.....