

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING OF IBSTONE PARISH COUNCIL Monday 3rd September 2012 at The Cricket Club at 7.30pm

Present:

Mrs. I. Randall	Chairman
Mr. R. Scott	Vice-Chairman
Mrs M. Smith	Councillor
Mr. J. Malkinson	Councillor

And also present Mrs. D Hansen Parish Clerk

6 Members of the public were present; WD Cllr R. Emmett, Dr. A. Keble-Elliott, Mr. R. Martin-Fagg, Mr Neil Storey, Mrs K. Hammond and Pcs0 Emily Watkins

12.130 Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr M. Grimsdale

12.131 Declarations of interest in agenda items were made.

12.132 The minutes of the Ordinary meeting of 2nd July 2012 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

12.133 Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda.

a. Turning of busses:

The clerk had written to Carousel busses about busses turning at the Grays Lane junction. She had received a response from the general manager stating that he would put a note with the drivers' instructions only to turn at Grays lane in an emergency. He had asked that the councillors refrain from speaking to the bus drivers, but contact BCC transport instead if there are problems

12.134 New Code of Conduct:

The new code of conduct was adopted by the council.

12.135 Pond: this item was moved further down the agenda so planning could be discussed first

12.136 Planning:

WDC decisions:

- 12/06108/FUL Hell Corner Cottage, Grays Lane. Householder application for demolition of existing garage structure and replacement with oak frame garage structure with ancillary studio over, extension of existing driveway, extension of 1.8m perimeter fence abutting Grays lane to incorporate garage area. PC no objection, but asked for a condition that the garage/studio cannot be used as a separate dwelling from the main house and concerns were expressed that the fence could adversely affect the surrounding environment. WDC permitted after the plans for the fencing were amended and the condition has been added to the permission that the garage development can only be occupied in connection with and ancillary to the occupation of the existing dwelling.
- 12/06311/FUL Bucks Wigwams. Demolition of existing barn and erection of replacement barn for use in connection with land storage, maintenance and hire of marquees and ancillary equipment together with associate vehicles (a use falling within class B8 of Town and Country Planning (use classes) Order 2005. PC no objection. WDC permitted
- 12/06313/FUL. Crown Cottage, Ibstone Rd. Application for proposed replacement of existing ancillary building with construction of detached garage and store with fruit

pressing equipment and general storage above to serve dwelling house. PC no objection, but requested that the condition be added that the ancillary building cannot be used as a separate dwelling from the main house. WDC permitted.

- 12/06008/FUL Ibstone School. Variation of 2 (application 11/07390/FUL) proposed demolition of existing building and construction of a new activity centre complete with kitchen and ancillary accommodation to allow alternative materials to be used. PC no objection. WDC permitted.
- 12/06435/FUL Twigside Farm. Householder application for erection of part single/part two storey side extension to main house. PC no objection. WDC permitted.

New Applications:

- (amendments submitted) 12/06127/FUL land adjacent OS parcel 5122, Ibstone Rd. application of a new galvanised gate into existing access with new grass-finished geo-grid hard standing (part-retrospective). PC no objection, PC had commented on sight-line.
- (Amendments submitted) 12/06535/FUL. Vicarage Fell. Application for construction of two storey side and rear extensions, alterations to roof structure, replacing existing hipped gables with plain gabled roof structure; refacing existing dwelling in brick and flint to match existing; construction new porch to front elevation & raised patio area to side. PC no objection to amended plans.
- 12/06127/FUL The Fox Country Hotel. (Plan and amended plan). Refurbishment and extension works to existing hotel and construction of new basement to provide additional guest rooms, new conference and function facilities, a renovated restaurant and a new spa and fitness centre with associated internal external alterations. On the original plans the PC had commented with concerns about the lack of onsite parking and the hazards of consequently parking in the verges. The amended plans were discussed.

It was decided to close the meeting to allow for the public to express their views on this application.

The meeting was reopened.

It was decided to comment on the amended plans with an objection raising the points of:

- lack of car parking, guest and staff
- over spill parking on to common will lead to further erosion of the common
- damage to unique character of the common
- no bus service for staff
- Cars parked in the verges leads to traffic hazards.

The chair will compile the PC response.

12.136 Police:

The police reported 1 crime in the parish theft of mail. They had conducted a speed operation and 60% of the offenders were local people. They will carry out another action in September.

12.137 Pond:

A quote of £100 from Matthew Smith, recommended by the Chilterns Conservation Board, for a pond survey had been received. It was decided to accept the quote and to apply for grant funding at once. Clerk to action.

12.138 New playground equipment.

It was decided to provide new playground equipment for the age group 5 years and under. It was get agreed that a small wooden climbing frame with slide should be installed. Clerk to seek agreement from the Wormsley Estate.

The old slide to remain in place, but some minor repair work to be carried out as per Rospa inspection report.

A request for an additional bench by the new playground equipment was considered and agreed.

12.139 Parking on the Common.

- a. The Wormsley Estate had asked for suggestions for alternative parking.
- b. The Wormsley Estate is agreeable to the PC erecting a small no-parking signs, but the estate has to give final approval of the design and the positioning of the signs. The full costs to be borne by the PC. Clerk to investigate small appropriate wooden signs. It was decided that the sign by the vehicle access should say "private, no parking" and the one by the pedestrian access, "no parking".

12.140 Financial matters:

- a. A 3 year agreement with Came and Company, insurance brokers was signed for £291.70
- b. A new DD mandate for the Chiltern Society was signed as the Chiltern Society had not received the mandate signed in July.
- c. 50p bank interest received,
- d. Bank balances: current account £ 2,448.41 Savings account £ 6,129.28
- e. Between meetings cheque 381 was signed for £2,000 payable to "Ibstone School Governors Fund" as a contribution towards a new school hall. The PC had received a letter from the Chair of School Governors expressing their thanks for the donation and inviting the PC to hold their meetings in the new school hall from September 2012.
- f. The cheques as listed below were approved for payment and signed:

To whom	Description	£	£
Mh-p internet ltd	Inv.2299 planning applications (5)		54.00
Mrs. D. Hansen	Clerk salary – August - September	232.67 232.67	
Mrs. D Hansen	Clerks exp. July/Aug.	84.20	549.54
Total value			£ 603.54

12.141 Any other business:

- a. It had been noted that there are no newsletters on the Web-site since January. Clerk to investigate and rectify.
- b. Mazars LLP have been appointed by the Audit Commission as external auditors for the next 5 years.
- c. Phone box: the work is continuing and progressing.
- d. Campaign to implement the Sustainable Communities Act: the PC supports this campaign. Clerk to write to the Communities Minister informing him of the PC's support.

12.142 The date of the next meeting Monday 5th November 2012 at 7.30pm in the School Hall.

The Chairman.....

Date.....