

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING OF IBSTONE PARISH COUNCIL Monday 10th^t May 2010 at the Cricket Club.

PRESENT

Mrs. I Randall Chairman
Mr. S. Cutler Vice-Chairman
Mrs. M. Grimsdale Councillor
Dr. A. Keable-Elliott Councillor
Cllr. M. Smith Councillor

Mrs. D Hansen Parish Clerk
2 members of the public were present.

10.278 No apologies for absence were received.

10.279 No declarations of interest were made.

10.280 The minutes of the meeting of 1st March 2010 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the chairman.

10.281 Matters arising not on the agenda:

- a. The grit bins; clerk to check the insurance situation before the PC progresses this matter. Clerk to include item on the next agenda.
- b. Footpath leading to the school is overgrown. It was decided that Cllr Grimsdale would contact a local contractor for a quote for the work. If the cost were less than £50, work to be done immediately.
- c. Damaged verges of the footpath. Christopher Harbord had been chasing this with the contractor at Twigsdale. Clerk to make enquiries on progress.
- d. Footpath drainage; the drainage needs to be improved to encourage usage of the path. Clerk to contact the Rights of Way department to enquire if they could advise the best solution for the problem.

10.282 Agricultural land attached to domestic gardens; Chairman to approach (new) owners of village houses to remind them that agricultural land attached to domestic gardens is not a garden and should be treated differently.

10.283 David Lidington MP visit to Stokenchurch re the proposed Travellers sites: Dry Banks is one of 2 local proposed sites for Travellers. David Lidington has written to the Director of Planning at WDC. WDC emphasised that it is a **potential** site for 5 pitches, but the WDC proposals included the possibility of expansion to a larger Travellers' site at a later date. Any proposed pitches will have to go through the usual planning procedures. The Parish Council should stay in touch with Stokenchurch on this matter. We now have a new MP. Depending on the changes in government the situation may change again.

10.284 M40 Noise update; Councillor Keable-Elliott has attended meetings of this group. The action group had met with the DfT to request practical measures to lessen motorway noise for the inhabitants of Stokenchurch. The group had requested further meetings with interested

parties such as Defra. Clerk to enquire when the next meeting will be to ensure attendance by Ibstone PC and that any measurers will not deflect the noise towards Ibstone.

10.285 Neighbourhood Watch; on going. Cllr Grimsdale has now received information on DNA property marking devices. She will send the information to all village households. If a number of households sign up this, she can have signs put up that state people in the village have their property protected.

10.286 Protection of yew tree in church yard. Cllr Keable-Elliott has started on the protection. The tree warden has tried to get a response from the vicar, but as yet no progress. The church warden had informed the Council that Lady Getty was also concerned and has now taken the issue up.

10.287 Potholes: they are being filled and the matter is on-going. There are many fewer potholes and repairs seem to be holding well. Clerk to chase up the pothole near Kites on Ibstone Road.

10.288 Planning matters:

- WDC decisions:

- a) 10/05179/FUL and 10/05180/LBC Barn, Manor Farm. Householder application for insertion of 3 windows to rear elevation of barn. PC no objection. WDC permitted.
- b) 10/05175/FUL One Acre, Grays Lane. Demolition of existing dwelling and detached garage and erection of 1 x4 bed dwelling and detached garage/carport. PC no objection, however during previous build along this lane the verges were destroyed and it took along time for them to be repaired. The PC requests that were WDC minded to approve the application that a condition is added stating that the road and the verges must be put back in good order after completion. WDC permitted. Clerk to obtain copy of the permission notice.

- New applications:

- a) 10/05805/FUL The Fox, Ibstone. Erection of detached wooden shed (retrospective). PC no objection.

- Grays: the matter is still with WDC legal department. The Enforcement notice on the agricultural land being changed into domestic garden has not yet been re-issued.

10.289 Financial matters:

- a) Quote from Langstaff- Ellis Ltd for repair of notice board door £203.30 plus vat. Clerk to ask for a new quote for 1 top hinged door with side locks.
- b) The accounts for 2009/10 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- c) The statement of accounts was approved.
- d) The Annual Governance Statement was reviewed , noted and approved. The meeting did not consider its exposure to potential risk significant.
- e) The meeting approved the new Asset Register.
- f) Mr. D. Timms was appointed as internal auditor.
- g) It was decided not to make a donation to the Open Spaces Society for its Open Spaces and Public Paths campaign.
- h) It was noted that the 1st 1/2 of the annual Precept £3250.00 had been received.
- i) It was noted that 23p interest had been received.
- j) Salary award for the clerk in line with the national agreement was noted.

- k) New slide; PC to await the new playground safety inspection report.
 l) The cheques as listed below were approved and signed:

To whom	Description	£	£
WDALC	Annual subscription 2010/11		£ 4.00
BALC	Annual subscription 2010/11		£ 42.45
Mrs. D. Hansen	Clerk salary 8/03/10 to 14/05/10= 10 weeks (45 hrs @ £11.185/hr)	£ 503.33	
Mrs. D Hansen	Clerks exp. March-April	£ 35.31	£ 538.64
Mike Henson Presentations Limited	Remove member Planning Annual Maintenance contract Domain fee annual (all costs incl. of Vat)	£ 17.63 £ 17.63 £ 211.50 £ 70.50	£ 317.26
Total value			£ 902.35

Bank balances: current account £ 5,907.51, Savings account £6,121.88

10.290 Parking in the village. The Parish Council had contacted the landowner concerned. This land is also a Village Green. Clerk to contact complainant and notified them of the identity of the landowner and request the landowner is dealt with directly.

10.291 There was no other business.

10.292 The date of the next meeting Monday 5th July 2010 at 7.30pm.

The Chairman.....

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