

## Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING OF IBSTONE PARISH COUNCIL Monday 5 November 2012 at Ibstone C of E School Hall at 7.30pm

### Present:

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

And also present Mrs. D Hansen Parish Clerk

3 Members of the public were present; Mr. C. Harbord, Mrs J. Woodman and Mr A. Bewick

12.143. No apologies for absence received.

12.144. No declarations of interest in any agenda items were raised.

12.145. The minutes of the Ordinary meeting of 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

12.146. There were no matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda.

12.147. Phone box: work on the renovation of the phone box is progressing well. Nick Mival was thanked for his excellent work.

12.148 The parish council discussed paying its councillors expenses. It was agreed that councillors could claim for mileage expenses at the tax free allowance rate, when attending meetings outside the parish. It was also agreed that printing and stationary expenses could be claimed, when appropriate, against receipts. All receipted expenses to be claimed in arrears and approved by full council.

12.149 Defibrillators: Cllr Scott had received correspondence from James McConville about an alternative scheme for defibrillators in the community. The Ibstone scheme is in hand and there would be no benefit in changing to an alternative scheme. Cllr Grimsdale and the clerk to check insurance responsibility if the Ibstone defibrillator which is not PC property is to be placed in the phone box.

12.150 Quote for wooden no parking signs by the Common.  
The meeting looked at the various types of sign and quotes provided. The type of sign with black lettering was agreed at a cost of approx. £100 per sign. The clerk will present this to the Wormsley estate for approval. Action Clerk.

12.151 .Footpaths:

- a. A request was received from a member of the public, who uses footpath IB4, behind the church. This footpath is steep and very slippery, the meeting discussed if the path could be made safer. It was decided to ask the requestor for suggestions on making the path safer and also to refer the matter to BCC, Right of Way Dept.
- b. A member of the public had notified the clerk that there is a dangerous latch on a gate on footpath IBS11/1 at the junction with IBS 14c/2. The clerk had examined the latch and could find no fault. Clerk to refer the complainant to the landowners.

12.152 Playground equipment:

- a. The quote for repair of slide from Roger Meakes to weld split and weld plate at top,

- clean and repaint as required for £289.23 + vat was accepted. Action clerk.
- b. New playground equipment: Cllr Grimsdale and clerk have met with 2 playground equipment companies: Sovereign and Handmade Places. The plans and quotes were reviewed and discussed. It was decided to accept the Handmade places quote of £ 5705 incl. installation and safety matting. Clerk to enquire if the company has installed any of their equipment locally. Clerk to present the plan to the Wormsley Estate for approval. Action clerk.

12.153. Planning:

- a. WDC decisions:
- ( 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, but comments. WDC permitted
  - (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; re-facing existing dwelling in brick and flint to match existing; construction new porch to front elevation & raised patio area to side. PC no objection. WDC permitted.
  - 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. PC objection. WDC refused
- b. New Applications:
- None.

12.154. Financial matters:

- a) The finances for the year were reviewed.
- b) The budget for 2013/14 was discussed. A budget of £6000 was considered to be required for 2013/14. Various elements of the budget were queried. Clerk to bring a copy of the agreement for the website to the next meeting. The cost of the website to be reviewed. Cllr Malkinson to look at updating the website.
- c) The meeting decided to make a £75 financial donation to the Chilterns Conservation Board.
- d) Second half of precept received from WDC £2,500, 51p bank interest received,
- e) Bank balances: current account £ 4191.52 Savings account £ 6129.79
- f) The cheques as listed below were approved for payment and signed:

To whom	Description	£	£
Mp-h ltd internet Ltd	Web-site maintenance		£84.00
Chilterns Conservation Board	Donation		£75.00
Mrs. D. Hansen	Clerk salary – October	232.67	
	- November	232.67	
Mrs. D Hansen	Clerks exp. Sept/Oct	110.31	575.65
Total value			734.65

12.155 Any other business

- a. the meeting discussed introducing a later starting time of the meeting. It was decided to keep the starting time 7.30pm for the moment.
- b. Pothole repairs: BCC had been careless with the repairs outside Cholsey Cottage. Clerk to ask BCC to clear up the spilled tar.

- c. Clerk to chase the repair of the white lines along the main road by Skomer, where they have worn away since they were painted in February.
- d. A manhole cover is missing opposite the church. Clerk to write to Manor Farm.
- e. Thanks were expressed to the Community Policing team for their recent Speedwatch campaign in the village.
- f. Police are advising the community that houses not lit and drive ways clear of cars are invitations to burglars.
- g. Cllr Grimsdale has distributed Neighbourhood Watch flyers throughout the village inviting residents to join NHW.
- h. A new NHW co-ordinator for the centre of the village is required.
- i. The Parish Council thanked the Fireworks groups for their excellent firework display.
- j. The meeting will consider offering a village events sub-committee.
- k. A report from Dave Anker on the work of the M40 group had been circulated. He will ensure that any decisions made by the group will not adversely affect Ibstone.
- l. A welcome pack for new residents was agreed. Cllr Randall will draft a document.

12. 156 Date of the next meeting 7<sup>th</sup> January 2013

12.157. Future dates: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2013, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2013, Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2013, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2013.

The Chairman.....

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