## IPPLEPEN PARISH COUNCIL

## **Minutes of Meeting held at Ipplepen Millennium Centre**

## **On Tuesday**

## **7th April, 2015**

## **In attendance**:

## Coun.Mrs. Northwood (Chair) Coun.Popham

## eCoun.Carnell (Vice) Coun.Mrs.Wilson

## Coun.Vallance Coun Farrow

## Coun.Mrs.Calland Coun.Mrs.Cleasby

## Coun.Smith Coun.Tompkins

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## Mrs.F.Olding Parish Clerk

Coun.Dewhirst District & County Councillor

## 185) **APOLOGIES** – All present

This was the last meeting of the present Parish Councillors, nominations of those re-standing for election have been handed into the District Council by the Clerk. Coun.Vallance and Coun.Popham will not be standing this time and the Chairman thanked them for all their hard work and dedication to the Parish over the past number of years, they will both be missed a great deal.

## 186) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – No declarations of interest

## 187) **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3rd March, 2015 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

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## **MATTERS ARISING** - information from the Clerk

## 82d) **Village Hall/Deed of Easement** – This matter is progressing with the Solicitor now waiting on the Village Hall Committee to approve the draft Deed of Easement. A letter had been received from the Village Hall Committee advising the costs of them having an independent solicitor to have a look at the Deed of Easement in relation to its implications for the Village Hall’s charitable status. **RESOLUTION:** It was proposed, seconded, and agreed unanimously that the Parish Council would pay the costs involved.

98b)  **Public Toilets** – The Clerk reported to the Chairman of Amenities that she had been advised by the cleaner that one of the ladies toilets had come loose. Coun.Carnell advised that he would have a look.

152b) **New Toilet Block** - Two out of the three tenders requested had been received for the Toilet New Toilet Block. Coun.Farrow pointed out that although the cost was more than anticipated, both provide the best by way of being as vandal proof as possible:

**Tender ‘A’ £86,238.00 plus VAT**

**Tender ‘B’ £87,979.00 plus VAT**

**RESOLUTION:** After full consideration it was proposed, seconded and agreed unanimously to accept **Tender ‘B’**

With regard to the application to Viridor, arrangements are in hand to meet with a representative from Viridor to assist with completing our application within the next few days.

23g) **Allotment –** We have two plots available within the new site. This to be mentioned in the next magazine report.

123h) **Community Defibrillator –** On-going

126d) **Southern Timber –** The TDC Enforcement Officer has acknowledged the complaint and will be in touch in due course with their findings. ***Action: Clerk to Chase for a reply from TDC.***

127a) **Football Club –** The Amenities inspection has taken place and the Clerk has forwarded the report to the Football Club, awaiting their reply. The Clerk confirmed that this matter had been chased up, but as yet still no reply.

139f) **Ipplepen Women’s Institute –** Coun. Carnell confirmed that the seats were now ready it will be fitted once the school holidays had finished.

173d) **Tennis Club** – Notification had been received advising that due to the pending election the meeting dates for Rural Aid have been put back. Therefore the Rural Aid AGM is due to be held on the 20th May and the decision meeting will take place on the 8th July 2015.

177c) **Football/Cricket Club Car Park Gates** being left open – Following letters being sent to both clubs, the Cricket Club have acknowledged our request for them not to be left unlocked at night, but as yet we have not heard from the Football Club

177b) **Typhoon** – Work on the safety surface will commence after the School Holidays finish. **RESOLUTION:** It was proposed, seconded and agreed (one abstention) to order the replacement parts for the this piece of equipment and for Amenities to do the repairs.

182) **Transport Plant** – It was agreed that the way forward was to have the 20mph speed limited monitored regularly by the police. Regarding the parking on the yellow lines, the Parish Council to meet with a member of the TDC Parking Enforcement team to ascertain any suggestions as to how this problem can be more regularly monitored.

189) **DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT** – Coun.Dewhirst

**TDC Matters** – Coun.Dewhirst confirmed that the Exminster Neighbourhood Development Plan has been brought into legal force and forms part of the statutory Development Plan for Teignbridge District. Planning de4cisions therefore in Exminster Parish will be made in accordance with the Neighbourhood De4velopment Plan and the Teignbridge Local Plan.

**County Matters** – A wave of public support from Totnes residents, including a delegation at County Hall called for the road traffic order in Totnes High Street to remain in place, has prompted DCC to seek leave to appeal against the recent High Court judgment. The Order, which has reversed the flow on Station Road and Lower Fore Street since its introduction in March 2013 remains in 0place until there has been a further court hearing, which is expected imminently.

The County has successfully secured £264,000 of funding from the Department for Transport to provide cycle training for another 6,600 children in 2015/16 helping families in Devon to cycle together.

Over 1000 entries were received by County to give a formal “Official” name to the South Devon Link Road. The winner will be announced in the summer.

190) **CORRESPONDENCE** – Coun.Mrs.Northwood

## **Correspondence:**

## a) **Items from Devon County Council:-**

Parish Paths Partnership Spring Update

Community News Roundup March 15 – Additional charges for certain types of waste will be brought in at Devon’s recycling centres from 1st April

## b) **Items from Teignbridge District Council & Teignbridge CVS**

Letter from TDC concerning Providing Self-Build housing plots for local people – To be considered by the Neighbourhood Plan team at the appropriate time.

## c) **Items from DALC/DCT:**

## **DCT** (Devon Communities Together) – Email received from the Rural Housing Enabler with reference to our recent Affordable Housing Survey – To be considered by the Neighbourhood Plan team.

**DALC** March E Bulletin – Annual General Meetings

**DALC** Request for Nominations for the DALC County Committee

d) **Items from the Police:**

Update for Ipplepen - 03/03/2015 – 07/04/15

**Ipplepen Area- Fraud – Operation FARDEL**

During the month several calls were made to an elderly resident by unknown offenders trying to have the victim withdraw money from personal bank accounts. In each incident the caller stated they were from HMRC/trading standards or similar and claimed the victim was owed money and asked for bank details or had to remove money. The caller worried the victim when he claimed some representatives would visit the property the following day and take the victim to a bank or post office. Fortunately Police involvement has safeguarded the resident from this possibility and will investigate fully to ascertain who the callers are and seek action against them. If you have been a victim of fraud or have received similar calls please call the non-emergency number 101 to report it. We are wary that these callers will attempt to defraud the elderly and vulnerable at any chance, the safety and well-being of these potential victims is paramount. Fortunately most other residents will put the phone down suspecting it to be a bogus or malicious call.

**Bulleigh Barton Area - Criminal Damage -Crime Ref 17685/15**

Between the 2/03/15 and the 13/03/15 a two year old horse was found to have its mane clipped in several places. On 12th March 2015 owners arrived at the stables and noticed that the electric fencing had been turned off and paddock gates opened with fencing snapped. These kinds of offences are often classified as criminal damage rather than animal cruelty as it is unknown if the animal suffered as a result of this or not. If you have been a victim of this or similar rural based crime and would like to report this or request information on security please call 101.

**Theft from a motor vehicle –Park Hill - Crime Ref 22594/15**

Between Wednesday the 01/04/15 and Saturday 04/04/15 a car parked outside of Dainton self-storage was broken in to. Damage was caused while gaining entry and Power tools were taken from the boot. If anyone has information that can assist police please call 101 and reference the crime number above.

As always if you have been a victim of crime or anti-social behaviour or would like to discuss ongoing issues please call 101 our non-emergency number. For all emergencies call 999.

**PCSO 30604CHRIS HURDEN**

**Police Community Support Officer**

**Neighbourhood Policing Team (East)**

Finally, the Parish Council have been given two PIR sensor shed alarms and signage by the Neighbourhood Policing Team, which have been passed to Amenities for affixing in appropriate places.

## **Other items received:**

e) Monthly Bulletin from Galliford Try on the A380 South Devon Link Road

f) Spring Newsletter from Came & Co our Local Council Insurance Company.

g) The Certificate for being given the Foundation Award had been received. The logo will now appear on our Letter Heading.

## 191) **REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

## **Millennium Centre** – Coun.Mrs.Wilson

Next meeting due to be held on the 14th April, 6.15pm at Mill.Centre

**TALC** - Coun.Mrs.Northwood/Coun.Carnell

Coun.Carnell attended the meeting held on the 26th March. The main speaker was Superintendent Mayhew who advised that he had lost some 500 officers from the local force4 and that he still has to make further savings. We now have 250 PC’s, 60 PSO’s and 70 Specials. We have had 4,000 reported crimes and 19,000 incidents in Teignbridge in the last twelve months along with 38 hate crimes. He also said that a third of police time was now spent on crimes relating to mental health issues. These figures however still represent an overall reduction of 8% in total crime and include burglary and GB|H which are both still reducing in number. On a brighter note, he concluded by saying that despite reports to the contrary there were no plans to reduce the number of PCSO’s on the force. The next meeting is due to be held on the 28th May, 2015

**Village Hall Committee** – Coun.Mrs.Calland

No Comments this month

**Stoneycombe Quarry Liaison Group**

Coun.Smith attended the meeting held on 25th March. There was nothing specific to report concerning Ipplepen.

192) **FINANCE & PERSONNEL** – Coun.Smith

Fund for Toilet Block £ 3,873.00

**Balance No.1 Account £ 24,324.13**

**Received prior to 31.03.15**

Interest – March £ .18

Elector Scout Rent £ 90.00

VAT Refund (still to be received) £ 1,414.83

**Balance £ 29,702.14**

**Invoices Received and Approved prior to 31.03.15**

Transfer of Elector Fund for Toilet Block £ 3,873.00

Dart Fire Protection – Sign for Gate £ 6.78

BT – Internet & Tel. March £ 60.13 d/d

D.Cartwright – Salary March incl.holiday pay £ 528.83

Mrs.H.F.Olding – Salary March incl.extra hrs. £ 1,018.82

Inland Revenue – PAYE Month 12 £ 409.84

South West Grounds Maint. –Grass cut March £ 101.88

SHS Cleaning Clampitt Rd Toilets March £ 205.80

DALC – Councillor Guides £ 15.00

Securi-Guard – Battery for Alarm at M.Cent. £ 26.40

Securi-Guard – Maint.Contract £ 107.44

Viking Direct – Toners £ 308.39

Postage £ 27.60

Postage £ 42.12

Wristbands for Beating the Bounds £ 19.95

**Total £ 6,751.98**

**Balance Year End 31.3.15 £22,950.16**

**Reserve Account as at 31.03.15**

**Balance £ 60,015.39**

Transfer of Elector Fund for T.Block 3,873.00

Interest £ 130.55

**Balance £64,018.94**

**Year End 31.03.15 Overall Balance £86,969.10**

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**Received after 31.3.15**

**Balance £22,950.16**

P3 Grant £ 300.00

Millennium Centre Rent – April £ 50.00

Interest April £ .18

Football Club Rent £ 125.00

Allotment Rents £ 560.00

**Balance £23,985.34**

**Invoice for Approval**:

Clerk’s National Pay Award £ 47.00

**Balance £23,938.34**

**Items to discuss:**

a) Suggested Transfer of Year End monies from £22,950.00 Balance:

Amenities £ 500

P3 £2,250

Handyman £1,000

Clerk’s Extra Hrs. £ 350

Allotments £ 500

Moor Rd Car Park Maint. £ 500

Mill.Centre £ 150

Grass Cutting £ 500

Bus Shelter Wellie £1,000

Contingency £1,450

**Sub Total £8,200**

This still leaves a balance in the No.1 Business Account of £14,750.00.

It is recommended by the Audit Commission that we have a reserve of £12,000 in the working account, therefore taking into account the £1,000 we have precepted for 15/16 we can afford to transfer a further £2,750 into the Reserve Contingency Fund, making a total transfer of **£10,950.00.** This was unanimously approved.

b) Council Tax Demand – Public Conveniences

Confirmation received from TDC that the rates are £828 with full small business relief of £868.00 = £0.00 to pay.

193) **PLANNING** –Coun.Tompkins

a) The Minutes of the Plans Meeting held on the 18th March, 2015 were duly approved.

b) Grants of Conditional Planning Permission were read out.

c) Appplication discussed as follows:

**15/00575/FUL –** Stables and isolation unit at Hettor Barn, Dornafield Cross,

**Comment:** IPC have no objection in principle, but have concerns with regard to the visual impact of the proposed isolation unit as it will be on an elevated site and by nature of its function, has the potential to give rise to light pollution at certain times of the year. The use of the isolation unit should be restricted to equine use only and have no other purpose. In the event of the Unit no longer being required, it should be demolished and the site reverted to its original state. Finally, it would appear to the Parish Council, that the proposed development is contrary to the Local Plan Policy EC5 giving the number of horses that are proposed being stabled, compared to the grazing land available. (Unanimous decision)

**15/00817/FUL –** Single storey extension to form link between dwelling and garage to create porch at Meadowside, Dornafield Road.

**Comment:**  Ipplepen Parish Council have no objection to this application, however, the loss of the garage has the potential to exacerbate on-street parking. (Unanimous decision)

**15/00844/VAR** – Variation of condition 2 on planning permission 14/03749/FUL to alter floor levels at Belford Cottage, Conniford Lane

**Comment:** IPC have no objection to this application (Unanimous decision)

194) **AMENITIES** - Coun.Carnell

a) The Minutes from the Amenities meeting held on 9th March, 2015 were approved and taken as read. All items being dealt with under Matters Arising 188 on page 2 of these Minutes.

195) **HIGHWAYS & RIGHTS OF WAY** – Coun.Smith

a) The Minutes from the Highways meeting held on the 19th March were approved and taken as read.

a) **Potholes** –Most of the potholes reported last month have been attended to.

b) **Fermoys/Two Mile Oak Footpath** – Coun.Smith & Coun.Mrs.Northwood will work together on applying for a Lottery Grant.

c) **Pavement by Toll House, Clampitt Road** –The Safety Audit has been officially ordered.

d) **Bus Shelter at Wellington Inn** – Coun.Smith thinks that he has found a suitable bus shelter and is obtaining prices. Once these are to hand, a planning application will be sent to TDC.

e) **Flooding Dornafield Close to Moor Road Footpath –** Appears to have been sorted.

The next Highways meeting is to be held on 21st May at 7pm Mill.Centre.

196) **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN** – Coun.Tompkins

A meeting was held with Stuart Todd from Locality to speak to all Councillors at the Plans Meeting due to be held on 18th March. Mr.Todd will formulate a project plan ready for our next meeting due on the 22nd April and also assist with our application to TDC for our area plan. Coun.Tompkins will prepare a draft statement to accompany our application in time for this next meeting.

197) **Beating the Bounds 2015** – Coun.Popham

Most of the Route has now been walked by Coun.Popham and Coun.Vallance.

The next meeting is due to be held on 23rd April at 7pm to finalise the programme.

198) **ITEMS LEFT ON THE TABLE** – Available from the Clerk

199) **OPEN FORUM** – No further comments

200) **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS;**

Amenities Meeting 13th April 7pm at Mill.Centre

MCMC 14th April 6.30pm at Mill.Centre

**Parish Assembly 16th April 7.30pm at Village Side Hall**

Plans Meeting 22nd April 7pm at Mill.Centre

Beating the Bounds 23rd April 7pm at Mill.Centre

Full Parish Council **12th** May 7.15pm at Mill.Centre

Highways 21st May 7pm at Mill.Centre

Meeting Closed at 10.20pm