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## **IPPLEPEN PARISH COUNCIL**

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

## **On Tuesday 06th November 2018**

## **In attendance**:

## Coun.Mrs.Northwood (Chairman) Coun.Mrs.Hutchings

## Coun.Carnell (Vice Chairman) Coun.Rattlidge

## Coun.Courtier Coun.Tomkinson

## Coun.Farrow Coun.Smith

## Coun.Mrs.Calland

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## eMiss.C.Freston Parish Clerk

Coun.Dewhirst District/County Councillor

## 102) **APOLOGIES** – Coun.Mrs.Olding

103) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – No declarations of Interest.

104) **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 2nd October 2018 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

## 105) **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING** - information from the Clerk

**Football Club –** This is still ongoing as we are awaiting the new plans from The Football Club.

**Ipplepen Cricket Club** **–** The Clerk has received the plans. Coun.Farrow will look into it and prepare a short statement prior to submitting the Planning Application.

**Communities Together Fund –** The closing date for applications is Wednesday 5th January 2019. A slide was discussed at the last meeting **Action –** Coun.Carnell to obtain 3 quotes for a slide.

**Refurbishment of Noticeboards –** Thank you to Coun.Dewhirst for funding the refurbishment for Ipplepen Carnval Club, Ipplepen Parish Council and the PCC’s noticeboards from The District Councillors Community Fund.

**Delivery of ‘H’ Signs –** These were all delivered and Ipplepen Parish Council have given a contribution of £100 to the Parish magazine for delivering them with the November magazine.

106) **CORRESPONDENCE** – Chairman, Coun.Mrs.Northwood

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

## Devon County Council have emailed regarding the Chapter 8 training for the Road Warden Scheme. They have recently been advised that their training provider, South West Highways, will close it’s training centre to external business as soon as practicable. They are currently researching other training providers within the County and are considering the best options for the provision of this course in the future.

An invitation has been received to attend the P3 Annual Volunteer event on Friday 16th November 2018 at Hope Cove, Nr Kingsbridge. Coun.Smith is unable to attend and has sent his apologies.

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

Nominations for Recycle Devon Thanks You Awardsare now being requested for anyone who makes a real effort to reduce, reuse and recycle their waste. Closing Date 30th November, 2018

The revised Christmas collection dates for waste and recycling has been received. Free Christmas tree recycling points can be found at www.teignbridge.gov.uk/christmaswaste **Action –** Coun.Mrs.Northwood to put in Parish magazine and Clerk to put in the noticeboard.

c) **Items from DALC/DCT/SLCC:-** DALC’s October Newsletter

d) **Items from the Police:** No items received this month

## **Other items received:**

e) Coun.Mrs.Northwood has received an email to say that a parishioner used the disabled toilet at the Recreation Ground and were very impressed. They said “it is all very nicely designed and very clean and tidy”.

f) Devon Communities Together have emailed inviting all Councillors to their AGM on Thursday 15th Novemeber 2018 at 5.30pm **Action** – Clerk to send apologies

g) An email has been received from a qualified Planner working with local authorities and Neighbourhood Planning groups. Coun.Rattlidge has been in contact with the lady.

h) An email has been received inviting the Parish Council to their Housing Stakeholders event on Friday 16th November 2018 at 9am at the Kenn Centre in Kennford. Coun.Rattlidge will attend.

i) An email has been received from a parishioner who fell over the speed hump on the access road off Silver Street. They have sustained a hairline fracture in their wrist and a cracked rib. The Parish Council have been trying to find out who put the speed humps in. Coun.Dewhirst will liaise with Simon Pearson at Devon County Council and the Clerk to see if the speed humps are legal before repainting them or removing them. **Action –** Clerk to inform the parishioner of the situation.

j) An email has been received from a parishioner regarding vehicles speeding through the village. They mentioned that Kingskerswell had introduced a Community Speed Check system. Coun.Dewhirst has been involved with this and said none of the volunteers have had any training from the Police, Coun.Dewhirst can provide more information on this

## 107) **REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

**Millennium Centre** – Nothing to report

**TALC** – Next meeting to held on Thursday 29th November 2018.

**Village Hall Committee** – Nothing to report

**Ipplepen Community Fund** – The next meeting is due to be held on Thursday 6th December, 2018.

**Emergency Team** – Next meeting will be on Friday 16th November 2018.

Coun.Rattlidge attended the CPRE seminar about Devon's real housing needs which was held on Friday 12th October 2018, at the Best Western Hotel, Tiverton.

Coun.Carnell and the clerk met with a consultant from Sovereign Play to discuss future play equipment for the Recreation Ground.

Coun.Mrs.Northwood and Coun.Carnell met with a consultant from sports and play consulting but unfortunately wasn’t able to help unless funding was already in place. Coun.Mrs.Northwood suggested that a play park survey be done and sent out with the Neighbourhood Plan survey which will be Jan/Feb 2019 **Action –** Coun.Mrs.Northwood and clerk to put a survey together.

Coun.Rattlidge attended a crowd funding workshop at Teignbridge. There is the possibility of a grant for small play equipment.

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

**County Matters**

Closure-threatened community hospitals in Devon should be used as health and wellbeing centres for local people, the county council told the NHS. Redundant community hospital buildings should be converted to health and wellbeing centres where it is appropriate.

It was felt that looking after people as close to home as possible is the right thing to do after there was cross-party support for a notice of motion to Devon County Council welcoming Health Secretary Matthew Hancock’s commitment to community hospitals. He said “the era of blindly, invariably closing community hospitals is over”. Councillors agreed that the county council should work closely with the NHS to influence decision-making and ensure any community hospitals that were closed should be used as health centres for local people where appropriate.

As you know I sit on the County Farms Estate Committee and we have been asking aspiring farmers to explore four soon-to-be vacant farms on the County Council’s estate this month.The holdings, which will be available to rent from March 2019 on a seven-year Farm Business Tenancy. They include: Ten Oaks Farm, Roborough, Winkleigh

A residential starter dairy farm extending to 37.82 ha (93.48 ac)

Furze Cottages Farm, Ashreigney, Chulmleigh

A residential starter mixed livestock farm extending to 42.51 ha (105.08 acres) with an optional additional 30.56 ha (75.60 acres)

Churchlands Farm, Cadeleigh Park, Ivybridge

A residential starter mixed farm extending to 15.05 ha (37.19 acres)

Fairfield Farm, Denbury, Newton Abbot

A residential starter dairy farm extending to 51.72 hectares (127.81 acres)

Libraries Unlimited, the charity responsible for running Devon and Torbay’s library service, has been named as one of the 50 most radical thinking organisations changing the UK for the better. New Radicals is a search led by Nesta, the innovation foundation, and The Observer to find the top people, projects and organisations offering innovative ways to tackle social challenges.

Libraries Unlimited ‘spun-out’ from Devon County Council in April 2016 and is one of only four public service mutual library services across the country. In less than 3 years, the charity has opened four new libraries, a state-of-the-art FabLab (a digital making space) and Business and Intellectual Property Centre, won the contract to deliver Torbay Libraries on behalf of Torbay Council and been shortlisted for the 2018 Charity Awards.

Libraries Unlimited is also one of six library sector organisations to become an Arts Council England National Portfolio Organisation this year, bringing additional funding to Devon’s libraries to provide high-quality arts and cultural activity across the county.

At my Scrutiny Committee last month we commended the organisation for increasing footfall in our Libraries but expressed grave concern at the reduction in book issues. We asked Cabinet to add two important Key Performance indicators that LU should report to – stock issues to children and professional hours worked by LU staff.

The County Council has been awarded £1m of EU funding to help deliver a range of energy projects which will boost Devon’s low carbon energy sector and reduce its carbon footprint. The money is Devon’s slice of £3m of funding from the European Local Energy Assistance (ELENA) initiative.

The three-year programme will consist of a series of energy efficiency, renewable energy, sustainable transport and heat networks projects across the region. In Devon this includes reducing the running costs of 55,000 street lights by cutting the amount of energy they use by around 60 per cent. Other projects include installing solar arrays on public buildings to reduce costs and making them more energy efficient, new cycle paths for commuters and increasing the number of electric vehicle charge points in Devon.

This week is Responsible Gambling Week and a Report I put before Cabinet earlier this month on Problem Gambling has now become policy, part of which is to promote Responsible Gambling Week. Although much of the work that Councillors do is in Committee, often it is helpful to sit down around a table and discuss a controversial topic without the trappings of a formal committee. To this end seventeen people joined me in August at County Hall to discuss Problem Gambling in Devon and what measures we could take to treat this addiction.

We heard from the Gambling Commission Area Manager about how he worked with District and City Council colleagues to ensure that the various laws that govern the gambling industry were enforced and they in turn explained that all premises where gambling took place were closely monitored. We were told that there were about 5,400 problem gamblers in the County and heard the effects their gambling had on their health, their family, their employers and business colleagues. The Chief Executive of GamCare - the body set up by government - explained how people with a gambling problem can be helped and how few problem gamblers receive help by comparison with those suffering from alcoholism. A Police Inspector outlined their responsibilities and the Deputy Director of Public Health explained the mental processes that drive people towards this addiction. Our final witness was a County Councillor who movingly explained the consequences of his addiction and its devastating effect on his family and how he finally conquered his addiction.

After much discussion we identified four recommendations that were pertinent to County and District Colleagues, the Police and the NHS. The recommendations included: training front line staff to recognise the warning signs associated with problem gambling; to work with the Coroner’s Office to identify gambling as a diagnosable mental health condition and ensure that suicide associated with gambling is recorded as such; that we should ask government to ban the use of credit cards in on-line gambling and that we should raise awareness of GamCare and identify and promote services that offer help for people and families who are suffering from the effects of problem gambling. Our report can be found here <https://democracy.devon.gov.uk/documents/s20955/Gambling%20report.pdf>

**District Matters**

Teignbridge launched a Crowdfunding event at Forde House last week. The workshop, which was run by Crowdfunder.co.uk, was well attended and many local community groups and organisations brought forward their ideas and project plans. For those who couldn’t make it there is a link to the presentation slides. www.crowdfunder.co.uk/uploads/devon-workshops-newton-abbot.pdf

For more information about crowdfunding visit www.teignbridge.gov.uk/crowdfunds or contact

Gary Powell, Teignbridge’s Community Projects Officer, on 01626 215895

Teignbridge managed to snatch defeat from the jaws of victory last week at the Executive when they passed a Public Spaces Protection Order or PSPO regarding dog fouling. The order stated that dog owners can now be fined in all public spaces in the District if they allow their dog to foul, that they must have the means to pick up their dog mess, that dogs must be on a lead on the highway and that dog walkers should have a limited number of dogs on a lead in their control. What’s not to like you ask? Well in their usual shambolic manner they managed to included beaches that currently allow dogs to be included in the banning order, that no one thought how this was to be policed and that no one thought about farm working dogs. Now they are saying we should ignore what they said because it was a mistake. I have joined colleagues in calling in this fiasco so that it can now be debated by all members of the council and hopefully a proper PSPO can be agreed by the Council that meets public acceptance

109) **AMENITIES** - Coun.Carnell

The Minutes from the meeting held on 9th October 2018, were approved and taken as read. Matters arising from the Minutes as follows:

1. A combination lock has been fitted to the gate nearest the road to secure the allotments. Members of the allotment committee and the Chairman of the Scouts and the leader of Pioneers were present to discuss the access times to the allotments, using the access road. The Chairman of the Scouts said they would put a sign on the gate asking anyone driving down between the hours of 5.45pm and 10pm, Monday to Friday and be aware of the safety of children as the scout hut is in use during these times. The allotment committee will liaise with the Scouts and will work together and will keep the Parish Council informed.
2. The emergency plan meeting will be held on Friday 16th November 2018 at The Millennium Centre 7pm.
3. Coun.Carnell has received 1 ton of salt already and Devon County Council will arrange for the grit bins throughout the village to be topped up.
4. The emptying of litter bins around the Recreation Ground is being done by some of the Councillors at the present **Action –** Clerk to contact Teignbridge to get a quote for the Parish sweeper to empty them.
5. A resident from Caunters Close had been in contact regarding the planted area as someone has been and cut it. The resident would prefer if it was left to them to continue to maintain.
6. The bowling club hedge is overgrowing over the pathway. This was only cut in September, so may need cutting back a bit more in the future.
7. SHS Ltd who clean the toilets have emailed with a price to empty the bins in the toilets. The clerk has received two other quotes from different companies and one is considerably cheaper. **Action –** Clerk to write to SHS to see if that is the best price they can offer.
8. We do not appear to have an asset register for Ipplepen. The offer is £1,300 for the Parish Council to take over the grass cutting in the village - essentially all DCC are doing at the moment is visibility splays and 1.00m from the edge of the highway twice a year. The Parish Council are happy to commit to this, subject to receiving a schedule of the works **Action –** Coun.Dewhirst to liaise with DCC and the Clerk.
9. Ash tree Dieback survey was mentioned **Action –** Clerk to find list of trees and pass to Coun.Courtier.

110) **PLANNING** – Coun.Farrow

The meeting due to be held on Wednesday 17th October was cancelled as there were no planning applications to discuss

b) **Grants & Refusals** of Planning permission received:

**Granted:** Application 18/01667/FUL – Single storey rear extension at Your Local Co-Op, Fore Street

**Refused:** Application 18/01603/FUL – Siting of mobile home for three years to support an existing rural enterprise at Hettor Barn

c) **Applications discussed**:

**18/01888/VAR –** Down View, Blackstone Road – Variation of condition 2 on planning permission 09/00973/FUL (Redevelop two bedroomed bungalow into four bedroomed house) raise garage ridge by 450mm to form gable end instead of half hip

Coun.Farrow proposed a site visit, date and time to be arranged **Action –** Clerk to ask TDC for extension of time.

**18/01955/FUL –** 16, Dornafield Drive East – Conversion of garage, rear extension, first floor extension and construction of new garage and decking

Coun.Farrow proposed no objection, Coun.Mrs.Calland seconded (Unanimous decision)

**18/02179/TPO –** 52, Dornafield Drive East – Crown lift one oak (T4) over footpath and verge to 3m above ground level and prune to clear around streetlight. Crown lift one oak (T5) over footpath and verge to 3m above ground level and prune to clear building by 3m. Crown lift one horse chestnut (T6) over footpath and verge to 3 metres above ground level

Coun.Farrow proposed no objection, Coun.Courtier seconded (Unanimous decision)

**18/02197/CAN** - 1, North End Close – Fell one ash tree

Coun.Farrow proposed no objection in principle and will be guided by the expertise of the Tree Officer, Coun.Carnell seconded (Unanimous decision)

d) **Other items discussed: APP/P1133/W/18/3206188** for Land East of Great Ambrook, Great Ambrook Avenue, Ipplepen was dismissed.

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

**Balance No. £ 58,286.32**

**Received:**

Mill.Centre Rent for October **£ 50.00**

Coun.Dewhirst Community fund for Refur of 3 noticeboards **£ 150.00**

ICC – Rent **£ 106.25**

CIL Payment **£ 875.40**

**Balance: £ 59,467.97**

**Invoices Received and Approved: £ 7,886.27**

**Balance £ 51,581.70**

**Reserve Account**

**Balance £ 32,495.75**

**Overall Total £ 84,077.45**

**Items discussed:**

1. Coun.Smith proposed and Coun.Farrow seconded (all unanimous) that we renew our webhost with Vision ICT
2. The Precept Budget Meeting has been arranged for Thursday 13th December 2018 at The Millennium Centre at 7pm **Action –** Clerk to email Finance and Personnel group

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

1. Coun.Smith is waiting for DCC to contact him in December regarding the road plainings.
2. Coun.Smith received a phone call from a resident in Mayfair Road who reported that a piece of footpath had not been resurfaced when the rest was done. Ipplepen Parish Council will take on the responsibility for this **Action –** Clerk to obtain 3 quotes to resurface.
3. The next Highways meeting is on Thursday 22nd November 2018.

113) **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Coun.Rattlidge has arranged a meeting with Paul Bryan, chief landscape architect for Teignbridge District Council on Tuesday 20th November 2018 at 3 pm at millennium centre. This is for a village walk about assessment of character of Ipplepen. It would be helpful if any members of previous steering group could attend. Coun.Rattlidge also plans to hold a meeting with the Steering Group to update on the progress which will be on Monday 26th November 2018 at 7pm at The Millennium Centre. David Kiernan from Teignbridge District Council will be able to attend also to update the group **Action -** Clerk to email the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

114) **APPROVAL OF AUTUMN NEWSLETTER**

The Autumn Newsletter was approved with one alteration to be made for the Parish Meeting date to be deferred from 1st January 2019 to 8th January 2018 as it is a Bank Holiday.

115) **COUNCILLOR ADVOCATE SCHEME**

Coun.Rattlidge will be attending the quarterly seminar on Wednesday 28th November 2018.

116) **REMIND REMBERBRANCE SERVICE 11th NOVEMBER 2018**

Due to be held on Sunday 11th November 2018 at 10.15am. Councillors please be seated by 10am. (Show of hands 13 attending, to be passed to the Church Warden by Coun.Mrs.Northwood)

117) **ITEMS LEFT ON THE TABLE** – No items this month.

118) **OPEN FORUM** – No comments this month

119) **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:**

Amenities Meeting 13th Nov. 7pm at Mill.Centre

Plans Meeting 21st Nov. 7pm at Mill.Centre

Highways 22nd Nov. 6.30pm at Mill.Centre

Emergency Team Meeting 16th Nov 7pm at Mill.Centre

MCMC 20th Nov. 6.15pm at Mill.Centre

Full Parish Council 4th Dec. 7.15pm at Mill.Centre

Community Fund 6th Dec 7.30pm at Mill Centre

Neighbourhood Plan **tba**

Meeting Closed at 10pm