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## **IPPLEPEN PARISH COUNCIL**

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

## **On Tuesday 1st October 2019**

## **In attendance**:

## Coun.Carnell (Chairman) Coun.Farrow

## Coun.Mrs.Olding (Vice Chairman) Coun.Smith

Coun.Mrs.Calland Coun.Palethorpe

Coun.Rattlidge Coun.Mrs.Northwood

Coun.Mrs.Hutchings

## eMiss.C.Freston Parish Clerk

Coun.Dewhirst District/County Councillor

83) **APOLOGIES** - Coun.Courtier

## 84) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – No declarations of Interest

85) **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3rd September, 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

86) **MATTERS ARISING**

**Memorial Bench at War Memorial –** This is still ongoing

**New flooring at the Mill Centre –** The school are waiting for samples of the proposed new flooring

**Re-Valuing Parish Council properties** – The finance advisory group met to discuss the proposed updated value of the properties. The Insurance for the total annual premium is £3,042.64. Coun.Palethorpe proposed, Coun.Mrs.Olding seconded (all unanimous) **Action –** Clerk to renew the Insurance.

**Littlehempston Parish Council –** Coun.Carnell and Coun.Mrs.Olding attended Littlehempston’s ‘beating of the bounds’ which took place on Saturday 21st September 2019. A scroll was exchanged between the two Parish Council’s. The scroll from Littlehempston Parish Council and a copy of the scroll from Ipplepen Parish Council will be passed to the history group to keep.

**Access Road off Silver Street** - Coun.Carnell and Coun.Palethorpe have put new signs along the chain link fencing to ensure the access road is kept clear at all times. Everyone was happy that a sign be placed at the entrance to the access road saying ‘Private road limited residents parking only’. We are still waiting for a plan from Teignbridge to establish the ownership of the parking area.

87) **CORRESPONDENCE** – Coun.Carnell (Chairman)

a)**Items from Devon County Council:-** No items received this month

## b) **Items from Teignbridge District Council & Teignbridge CVS: -** No items received this month

## c) **Items from DALC/DCT/SLCC:-** DALC newsletter

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

## **Other items received:**

e) An email has been received from a resident regarding the flooding in Biltor Road outside the Primary School. This has been reported to DCC Highways. The situation is that the drains discharge into old soakaways which are blocked and full. If there is flooding to property it would help to know about it because this would help to prioritise the issue. You can report it to DCC Highways at <https://www.devon.gov.uk/help/contact-us/>

f) Remembrance Sunday is on 10th November 2019. Please can ALL cars be removed from the War Memorial by Saturday 9th November 2019. **Action –** Coun.Courtier to put signs on cars to ask not to park there between 8am and 1pm on Sunday 10th November 2019. Coun.Mrs.Olding to put an advert in the parish magazine.

g) CPRE have emailed about a ‘Planing workshop’ on Tuesday 15th October 2019 at Hatherleigh Community Centre. Coun.Rattlidge attended a similar workshop earlier this year.

h) The Parish Council’s website is due for renewal and the website needs updating to meet the new regulations, which will be implemented in 2020. **Action –** Clerk to obtain three quotes from different website providers.

i) The Parish Council are arranging to plant some trees at the Football Club for the Tree Charter day on Saturday 30th November. The area has been discussed on where the new trees will be planted and the Woodland Trust will be providing the trees. This event will be open to all members of the Community, however the amount of trees will be limited and so it will be on a first come basis.

**Action –** Clerk to confirm the amount of trees with the Woodland Trust and send posters to the Primary School and Pre-School.

## **REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

Coun.Farrow and Coun.Smith attended the Planning Café at Teignbridge on Monday 23rd September, they found it very useful and informative.

Coun.Smith attended the Stoneycombe Quarry liaison meeting. There was a tour of the quarry. They have received a couple of complaints about the blasting vibrations, which is well below the level. Coun.Smith said it was a constructive meeting.

Coun.Carnell has attended the Civic Service at Chudleigh on 15th September 2019, Littlehempston’s ‘beating of the bounds’ along with Coun.Mrs.Olding on Saturday 21st September 2019 and Dawlish Civic Service on 22nd September 2019.

**Millennium Centre** – The roller blinds have been put up. One of the taps in the cloakroom is not working and the tap in the kitchen is dripping. Gina was advised to contact Safeheat. Gina advised that the postcode for the Millennium Centre is now TQ12 5QAL.

**TALC** –The next meeting is due to be held on 28th November 2019.

**Village Hall Committee** – You will no longer be able to log in free to the Village Hall WIFI. The Village Hall asked for an update regarding the CCTV camera **Action -** Coun.Courtier to liaise with the Village Hall.

**Ipplepen Community Fund** – Next meeting due on 20th November 2019.

**Emergency Team** – Nothing to report

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

**County Matters**

A new Government report calling for a nationwide ban on pavement parking has been welcomed by the County Council. The Transport Committee is recommending that a new civil offence of obstructive pavement parking is created, and that enforcement becomes the responsibility of local authorities. The report states that in the long term a ban on pavement parking should be put in place across England, outside of London where pavement parking has been banned since 1974. The Committee is recommending the Government launch an awareness campaign on the issue, and that a full consultation is held with local authorities about how to make the process of enforcement easier and more cost effective.

The Government has been looking at the issue of pavement parking since 2015 and the Transport Committee’s report criticises the Department for Transport saying action “to tackle the problem of pavement parking has been slow”, leaving some communities “blighted by unsightly and obstructive pavement parking”. People with mobility difficulties, visual impairments and those who care for others are adversely affected by pavement parking. Connecting Devon and Somerset (CDS) has announced the decision to end Gigaclear’s five contracts to deliver full-fibre broadband in Devon and Somerset. CDS intends to launch a fresh procurement on the open market this autumn, commencing a tender process to identify new providers of these services. Gigaclear had earlier been placed on notice of default after failing to meet contract targets set in early 2018 for the number of homes and businesses connected. The company, under new ownership since last summer, had incurred significant delays with its broadband roll-out due to previous failings and the collapse of Carillion in early 2018. CDS has withheld public subsidy while Gigaclear has been attempting to produce a satisfactory recovery plan.

Stover Country Park celebrated the completion of a giant reedbed designed to attract an array of wildlife as well as help to keep water clean. The sustainable scheme, which has delivered an impressive 3,800 square metres of reeds at the park just off the A38 is the result of a ground-breaking partnership project between Highways England, Stover Country Park and Devon County Council. Natural England also supported the work. The reeds act as a filter, capturing and filtering water run-off from the A38 and Drumbridges roundabout before it enters the lake. Water can carry pollutants such as oil and metal residue into the lake and this has contributed to the poor water quality and reduced diversity of wildlife in the lake. The reeds have been planted upstream of the lake to act as a natural barrier and filter pollutants. They will also provide valuable habitat for a range of wildlife. At the same time, the park, which is designated as a Local Nature Reserve and a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), will be improving sustainable drainage at the site. Planting was completed in April and already many areas of reeds have reached a height of 30cm.

**District Matters**

When Officers at Teignbridge need to check something on the internet they no longer Google it. We are now using Ecosia a search engine like Google, but very different: they use their ad revenue to plant trees where nature and people need them most. The Ecosia community has already planted millions of trees in Ethiopia, Brazil, Indonesia, Spain, as well as many other biodiversity hotspots – this afternoon they had planted 69,350,000 trees across the globe. They’re interested in trees, not your data: they don’t save your searches, don’t track the websites you visit, don’t sell your data to advertisers, and your searches are always SSL-encrypted.

We held a successful Planning Café last week – it was great to see Councillors from Ipplepen attending. Topics discussed were Exception sites, Landscapes, climate change, town centres and achieving good design. Your comments will feed into the review of our Local Plan Policies. As part of our plans to update the planning system at Teignbridge we would like to introduce open voting, give Parish Councils and neighbouring Ward Members the ability to call in applications to Category B. We are also thinking how we can introduce a measure of locality into our committee.

Finally, I’ll bet very few parishioners have visited Homeyards Botanical Garden – an award winning park in Shaldon and one of our jewels in the District. Our Green Spaces Officer Chrissie Drew has led a project to get Lottery funding for a Poetry Trail – you can see the result by searching for “Write Botanical Promotional Video” in YouTube. The project has been so successful that Chrissie is hoping to take it to other Green Spaces that Teignbridge manage.

Devon has maintained its status as one of the top recycling counties in England, recycling 56% of household waste. The latest 2018/2019 draft figures show an increase of 2% when compared to the previous year. Of the eight Devon districts Torridge saw the biggest increase from 41.2% to 51.3% and Teignbridge remains at number 2 just behind East Devon. This follows the introduction of a fortnightly residual waste collection by Torridge from a weekly one and separate food waste and garden waste collection. The figures also show that despite an increase in the number of homes overall waste growth has decreased slightly by -0.1%. Both Exeter and East Devon have low waste generated per household compared to other councils nationally. This means that Devon residents are throwing away less waste – black bin ‘dustbin’ waste is down by 6472 tonnes. It’s important to view waste as a resource, a material that can be reused, and not just something to be thrown away, that’s why we are really encouraging residents to please keep up the good work and carry on reducing, reusing and recycling.

89) **PLANNING** – Coun.Farrow

The Minutes of the Plans meeting held on Thursday 19th September 2019, were approved and taken as read

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

**Granted:** Application 19/01317/FUL – Demolition of existing garage and out buildings and replace with new garage, store and pool room at Appleloft Road from Normans Farm to Tanyard Farm

**Granted:** Application 19/01488/FUL – Proposed storey side extension and front gable extension at Stonelands, Causeway Cross

**Granted:** Application 19/00711/FUL – Extension to existing livestock building at Land at Totnes Road

**Granted:** Application 19/00712/FUL – Secure workshop and machinery store at Land at Totnes Road

**Granted:** Application 19/01460/TPO – Crown lift one horse chestnut (T6) and two oak trees (T4 & T5) at 52, Dornafield Drive East

Granted: Application 19/01392/FUL – Raising of an existing boundary wall at 5, Bridge Street

**Decisions Received: Councillor’s Comments if necessary**

c) **Applications discussed**:

**Application 19/01582/MAJ –** Land at NGR 283627 66859, Tremlett Grove – Erection of 10 dwellings and associated development

Coun.Farrow will put a response together and then circulate

**Application 19/01822/FUL –** Greenacres Moor Road – Two storey extension (partially constructed)

Coun.Farrow proposed no objection, Coun.Mrs.Olding seconded (All unanimous)

90) **AMENITIES** - Coun.Palethorpe

The Minutes from the meeting held on 10th September 2019, were approved and taken as read. Matters arising from the Minutes as follows:

a) The Play Park inspection report has been received and there are a few moderate items that need looking at. Coun.Palethorpe will put a work programme together and will report at the next Amenities meeting on Tuesday 8th October and then the full parish council meeting on 5th November 2019.

b) The skatepark needs urgent repair. Three quotes were obtained to carry out the necessary repairs.

Tender A - £1,911.00+VAT

Tender B - £2,100.00 to

Tender C – Wrote a letter to say that the work that is required is too large of a project for them to repair.

**RESOULTION**

Coun.Smith proposed that the Council accept Tender A, seconded by Coun.Palethorpe (all unanimous). The Clerk advised that the successful Contractor would be ARC Steel Projects **Action –** Clerk to inform successful and unsuccessful contractor.

The skatepark is coming to the end of its life , these repairs works will only last for approximately 12 to 18 months. **Action** Clerk and Coun.Palethorpe to put an advert together to get the skatepark users to give ideas on what they would like to have for a new skatepark. Money will need to be raised and funding will need to be sought as this is going to be a large project and we would really like the Community’s help.

91) **FINANCE & PERSONNEL** – Coun.Mrs.Olding

**Balance No. £ 36,455.40**

**Received:**

Bank – Transfer from Reserve account to Amenities £ 2,000.00

Mill Centre – Rent £ 50.00

Precept – Second half for 2019/20 £ 32,560.00

Football Club – Rent £ 137.50

**Balance: £ 71,202.90**

**Invoices Received and Approved: £ 4,358.06**

**Balance £ 66,844.84**

**Reserve Account Balance £ 55,950.01**

**Overall Total £ 122,794.85**

**Items discussed:** No items this month

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

A meeting was held on Thursday 19th September 2019, where the following was discussed

a) A381 footpath - It was agreed to re-consider keeping the footpath as originally planned on the Dainton Golf Club side of the A381. Coun.Smith to liaise with the clerk to re-write to the landowners to re-affirm their permission and Coun.Smith to obtain estimates etc.

b) Finger Posts for the Village is on-going, Coun.Smith to obtain prices.

c) Transport Plan – Coun.Smith will find out if this is still needed and if it is, it could be linked with the Neighbourhood Plan.

d) The next Highways meeting is due on Thursday 21st November 2019

93) **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN** – Coun.Rattlidge

The Neighbourhood Plan had a meeting on 4th September, where Janice Alexander from DCT was present. The meeting was focused on planning the public consultation meeting which took place on Wednesday 18th September 2019. Comment cards were given out and Coun.Rattlidge will collate them with David Kiernan from TDC over the next few weeks. The next Neighbourhood Plan meeting has been moved to Thursday 31st October 2019, 7pm at the Mill Centre.

94) **COUNCILLOR ADVOCATE SCHEME**

Coun.Rattlidge is waiting to hear regarding the neighbourhood watch scheme. Coun Rattlidge will be attending the local advocate meeting on Wednesday 23rd October 2019.

95) **REMEMBERANCE SERVICE SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2019 – POPPY WREATH**

The clerk was asked to order the poppy wreath and Coun.Mrs.Northwood will notify St Andrew’s Church that 9 Councillors (plus one’s) would like to attend.

96) **EMERGENCY PLAN REVIEW MEETING**

The Emergency plan review meeting will be held on Thursday 24th October 2019, 7pm at the Mill Centre. **Action –** Clerk to inform the emergency plan group of the meeting.

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

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

99) **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:**

Amenities Meeting 8th Oct 7pm at Mill.Centre

Plans Meeting 16th Oct 7pm at Mill.Centre

Full Parish Council 5th Nov 7.15pm at Mill.Centre

Neighbourhood Plan31st Oct7pm at Mill Centre

Highways Meeting 21st Nov 6.30pm at Mill.Centre

Meeting Closed at 20.58pm