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## **IPPLEPEN PARISH COUNCIL**

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

## **On Tuesday 3rd September 2019**

## **In attendance**:

## Coun.Carnell (Chairman) Coun.Farrow

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

Coun.Courtier Coun.Palethorpe

Coun.Rattlidge Coun.Mrs.Northwood

## eMiss.C.Freston Parish Clerk

Coun.Dewhirst District/County Councillor

68) **APOLOGIES** - Coun.Mrs.Calland, Coun.Mrs.Hutchings

## 69) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Coun.Carnell declared an interest on Planning Application 19/01586/FUL Land East of Great Ambrook, Great Ambrook Avenue. Coun.Carnell did not vote or take part in discussions.

70) **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 6th August, 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

71) **MATTERS ARISING**

**Memorial Bench at War Memorial –** This is ongoing and will be discussed at the Neighbourhood Plans meeting on Wednesday 4th September 2019.

**New flooring at the Mill Centre –** The school are waiting for one more quote.

**Re-Valuing Parish Council properties** –Coun.Carnell and Coun.Farrow met on site and Coun.Farrow read out the proposed new values of the properties. Coun.Farrow said that on the current insurance policy there is nothing about replacement value for the properties. The Finance Committee will arrange a meeting to discuss further **Action –** Clerk to contact insurance company

**Littlehempston Parish Council –** Coun.Carnell and Coun.Mrs.Olding met with the Chairman of Littlehempston Parish Council to discuss their ‘beating of the bounds’ which is taking place on Saturday 21st and Sunday 29th September 2019, and a scroll will be handed over to Ipplepen Parish Council **Action –** Clerk to sort out a scroll to hand back to Littlehempston Parish Council

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

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

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

Teignbridge have sent an invitation for the Strong Communities Forum Event which is being held on Thursday 10th October 2019 from 10am – 1.30pm. Unfortunately no one is able to attend.

Teignbridge Planning Café will be open again for business on Monday 23 and Tuesday 24 September 2019. Coun.Smith and Coun.Farrow would like to attend on Monday 23rd September 2019.

Teignbridge is working towards a clean in future with the ‘Plug-In’ Revolution. You can visit [www.teignbridge.gov.uk/pluginrevolution](http://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/pluginrevolution) if you want to view the whole document EV charging Infrastructure and Ultra-low Emission Vehicles Policy.

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

DALC’s Annual Conference is being held on Wednesday 23rd October 2019 at Exeter Racecourse **Action –** Clerk to book a place for Coun.Mrs.Olding and the clerk to attend.

d) **Items from the Police:** Doorstop – Cold Callers – Newton Abbot

Police have received a report of cold callers offering insulation work in the Newton Abbot area. Do not agree to work offered by unsolicited doorstep callers, take time to get three quotes from reputable businesses you trust and make your decision on who to use in your own time. If you are concerned someone is at risk, always call the police. If you are concerned rogue traders are operating in your area, always report it.

## **Other items received:**

e) An invitation has been received for the Newton Abbot Civic Service on Sunday 6th October 2019. Coun.Carnell and Coun.Smith would like to attend **Action –** Clerk to inform Newton Abbot Town Council.

f) An email has been received from Sense Ability Therapy CIC who are based at Dainton Park Golf Club. The project is called Café Therapy. It will be a place where people can go and get answers and support as well as physiotherapy. They are trying to raise funds to start a new Community group which will include access to virtual reality equipment. Unfortunately the Parish Council are unable to help as it is public funds. The Community Fund will discuss at their meeting on Thursday 5th September 2019.

g) An allotment tenant has emailed to ask if they can put a polytunnel on their allotment plot instead of a greenhouse and to extend the growing season. The Councillors had no objection **Action –** Clerk to inform tenant that they can go ahead

h) A resident of Silver Street has asked if a sign could be put up for residents parking only on spaces in the access road to the park. It was agreed that signs saying ‘ access road keep clear at all times’ would be put up along the chain link fencing **Action –** Coun.Carnell to obtain new signs

i) An email has been received regarding information on restrictions on the Two Mile Oak Footpath, we believe the parishioner is referring to footpath number 2 where it enters Fermoys car park from the Totnes Road. This is not anything to do with our proposal to install a footpath towards Two Mile Oak from Park Hill **Action –** Clerk to reply

## **REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

Coun.Carnell, Coun.Mrs.Olding and Coun.Smith attended the raising of the Red Ensign Flag outside the hall of Old Forde House on Tuesday 3rd September 2019. The clerk attended the Clerks Summer Social at the Passage House on Wednesday 14th August 2019.

**Millennium Centre** – The next meeting is due to be held on Tuesday 17th September 2019.

**TALC** –The next meeting is due to be held on 26th September 2019.

**Village Hall Committee** – Nothing to report

**Ipplepen Community Fund** – Next meeting due on 5th September 2019.

**Emergency Team** – Nothing to report

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

**County Matters**

A top team of environmental experts, community representatives and business leaders has been assembled to deliver Devon’s Carbon Plan, the county’s roadmap to carbon neutrality. The formation of the new Net-Zero Task Force follows the latest meeting of the Devon Climate Emergency Response Group (DCERG), made up of the chief officers of more than 25 public, private and voluntary sector organisations. And following Devon County Council pledging £250,000 to help deliver the plan the authority is advertising for a Climate Emergency Project Manager, to coordinate and manage the Devon-wide response to the declaration of climate emergencies by various local authorities and organisations across the county.

The Net-Zero Task Force will be chaired by Professor Patrick Devine-Wright of the University of Exeter, an environmental social scientist. He specialises in researching issues of social acceptance and community engagement with sustainable energy transitions and is a non-Executive Director of Exeter Community Energy. He is a Lead Author for the United Nation’s Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, currently contributing to the 6th Assessment Report due for publication in 2021.

The Task Force is comprised of 12 core members with interests in environment, business, academia and health. They will be supported by advisory members.

The other members are

* Iain Stewart, Professor of Geoscience Communication and Director of the Sustainable Earth Institute at the University of Plymouth, and President of the Devon Wildlife Trust. Kerry Hayes is the marine and offshore energy sector lead at Regen.
* Nik Bowyer is Chair of the Chartered Institution of Highways and Transportation South West Region. He is an Associate Director at AECOM and specialises in strategic transport planning, modelling and transport economics.
* Hannah Lawrie is Chair of the South West Council of the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management and is also an Associate Director within Ricardo Energy & Environment’s Resource Efficiency and Waste Management practice.
* Laura Cardenas is an Atmospheric Chemist at Rothamsted Research in Devon. She is a key contributor to the Defra inventory of the UK’s greenhouse gas emissions.
* James Shorten is a geographer and planner at Geo Consultants with nearly 30 years of work on the planning system and sustainable development.
* Tim Jones is Chairman of the South West Business Council and Chair of the North Devon UNESCO Biosphere Foundation.
* Gill Westcott is Co-Chair of Transition Exeter and a Director of New Prosperity Devon.
* Ian Hutchcroft is Chair of Plymouth Energy Community. His current focus is with the ZebCat Project, trialling a Dutch retrofit model in Devon called Energiesprong.
* Elaine Cook is the Chief Executive at Devon Communities Together, the rural community council for Devon.
* Suzanne Goodfellow is an ecologist and environmentalist who has worked in conservation for over 30 years, mostly with Dartmoor National Park Authority where she was Director and led on climate change. Currently, Sue is the Chair of Devon Wildlife Trust.

**District Matters**

Newton Abbot is set to benefit from a £multi-million investment from government as the result of a successful bid from Teignbridge Council for funding for the town centre. In an announcement made last Monday, the Prime Minister revealed a £1 billion funding boost under the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government’s Future High Streets Fund, which aims to breathe new life into town centres across the country.

Council Leader Gordon Hook has welcomed the announcement, as one of just 100 successful towns and cities across the UK to have received the hotly-contested cash. He said: "We have huge ambitions for Newton’s future. This funding will complement and drive forward other major schemes we have already earmarked for the town including building a new hotel and 4-screen cinema in the town centre, improving flood defences, and securing a more environmentally sustainable infrastructure for the town.” The fund was set up to assist local high streets to evolve and adapt to the changing retail landscape, encouraging the development of vibrant town and city centres where people live, shop, use services, and spend their leisure time. The future growth and prosperity of Newton Abbot and the surrounding area could be secured by confirmation of the town’s status as a ‘Garden Community’.That’s the message behind a recommendation to Teignbridge councillors that they accept a Government offer to be part of the Garden Communities programme, play a full part in the wider Greater Exeter Strategic Plan garden community project and make full use of the £150,000 ‘capacity funding’ that goes with it.

A report says that Teignbridge would benefit from the ability to plan high quality new neighbourhoods when it is considered by Teignbridge’s Executive Committee on Thursday. The Garden Community status – and the associated Government funding – links seamlessly with the above news.

Finally, in a bid to simplify the current system of local assistance for working-age households struggling to pay their Council Tax, Teignbridge District Council is planning to consult with those who would be affected by any changes, to ensure it moves to the fairest possible new scheme. Complications for claimants caused by links with Universal Credit have persuaded local authorities across Devon to seek a simpler Council Tax Support format for households struggling to make ends meet. It’s expected that Teignbridge’s new scheme will be fairer for households with lower incomes, with some households on higher incomes paying more. The Exceptional Hardship Fund will remain in place as a safety net – both during the transition period and in any ongoing cases of genuine need.

The proposed new scheme would also include a return-to-work incentive for Universal Credit and other benefit claimants, by continuing support for one month beyond the date they resume employment.

74) **PLANNING** – Coun.Farrow

The Minutes of the Plans meeting held on Wednesday 21st August 2019, were approved and taken as read (Meeting not held)

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

**Granted**: Application 19/01067/FUL – Sid-division of existing site to form two separate dwellings and curtilages at Hara, Dainton

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

c) **Applications discussed**:

**Application 19/01592/FUL –** Sunningdale, Totnes Road – Retrospective application for garden room

Coun.Farrow is going to put a response together and will circulate

**Application 19/01377/MAJ –** Biltor, Animals in Distress – Kennel block and training barn, reception centre and associated external works

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

**Application 19/01586/FUL –** Land East of Great Ambrook, Great Ambrook Avenue – Agricultural building to house livestock

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

**Ipplepen Football Club –**  Permission has been requested to undertake works on the Football Clubhouse. Plans of the proposed works were discussed and Coun.Farrow will put a response together and circulate.

75) **AMENITIES** - Coun.Palethorpe

The Minutes from the meeting held on 13th August 2019, were approved and taken as read. Matters arising from the Minutes as follows:

a) Coun.Palethrope proposed that the metal shed which belongs to the Parish Council, at the side of the Mill Centre be taken down and sold as it is no longer used. This will be discussed at the Amenities meeting on Tuesday 10th September 2019.

b) Planting of trees at the Football Club was discussed at Coun.Carnell proposed that the Parish Council purchase some saplings. Coun.Courtier will check what the ground is like and if it’s ok the clerk will contact the Primary School and Pre School about getting children involved in planting them **Action –** Coun.Courtier to check the ground and source out suitable saplings.

c) New nets for the basketball court have been purchased and put up.

d) The grass cutting contractor has passed his public liability insurance to the clerk.

e) The ropes on the typhoon need replacing, this will be discussed at the Amenities meeting on Tuesday 10th September 2019.

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

**Balance No. £ 34,996.50**

**Received:**

Groundwork UK – Grant for Neighbourhood Plan £ 7,812.00

**Balance: £ 42,808.50**

**Invoices Received and Approved: £ 6,353.10**

**Balance £ 36,455.40**

**Reserve Account**

**Balance £ 57,950.01**

**Overall Total £ 94,405.41**

**Items discussed:**

a) Coun.Mrs.Olding will arrange a time to meet with the clerk to carry out the interim inspection of the Finance books.

b) Coun.Mrs.Olding proposed that £2000 be transferred from the Amenities reserve account into the General Amenities repairs working account. Coun.Farrow seconded (all unanimous)

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

1. Bridleway 11 at Hard up bridge has been cut but needs cutting again. DCC Highways need to inspect the Bridleway as some of the surface needs re-ballasting.
2. A manhole cover on Foredown Road has been reported as broken, it has been reported to DCC Highways. It is a utility manhole cover which the clerk will report to SWW.
3. The next meeting is due to be held on Thursday 19th September 2019.
4. Overhanging hedges can now be trimmed back **Action –** Coun.Mrs.Olding to put advert in the Parish magazine.

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

The grant money of £7,812 has now been received to help with the Neighbourhood Plan. The next Neighbourhood Plan meeting is due to be held on Wednesday 4th September 2019.

79) **COUNCILLOR ADVOCATE SCHEME**

Coun.Rattlidge attended a seminar in Exeter on Tuesday 3rd September 2019. This covered talks about ‘Operation Snap’, and the Summer survey.  An increase in police numbers were hoped to be around 600 but is still awaiting confirmation. The Annual report 2018/19 was passed to the clerk to keep on file. Crime Stoppers are 100% anonymous and are open 365 days a year.

Coun.Rattlidge is waiting to receive further details about the Neighbourhood Watch.

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

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

82) **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS:**

Neighbourhood Plan 4th Sept 7pm at Mill Centre

Community Fund 5th Sept 7.30pm at Mill Centre

Amenities Meeting 10th Sept 7pm at Mill.Centre

MCMC 17th Sept 6.15pm at Mill Centre

Neighbourhood Plan Consultation 18th Sept 7pm at Mill Centre

Highways Meeting 19th Sept 6.30pm at Mill.Centre

Plans Meeting` 19th Sept 7pm at Mill.Centre

Full Parish Council 1st  Oct 7.15pm at Mill.Centre

Meeting Closed at 9.05pm