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## **IPPLEPEN PARISH COUNCIL**

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

## **On Tuesday 4th February 2020**

## **In attendance**:

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

Coun.Mrs.Calland Coun.Smith

## Coun.Palethorpe Coun.Rattlidge

Coun.Mrs.Hutchings Coun.Courtier

## eMiss.C.Freston Parish Clerk

Coun.Dewhirst District/County Councillor

151) **APOLOGIES** - Coun.Farrow, Coun.Mrs.Olding (Vice Chairman)

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

153) **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th January 2020, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

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

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

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

i) Climate workshop for Councillors and clerks throughout Teignbridge who would like to attend a forum on producing or evolving your own climate emergency plan – Three Councillors will be attending the forum on Wednesday 19th February 2020 in Ashburton.

ii) Teignbridge has invited a representative from the Parish Council to attend a workshop about tree planting on 20th February at Forde House, Newton Abbot. – Coun.Palethrope would like to attend and Coun.Mrs.Hutchings will confirm if she is able to attend as well.

## c) **Items from DALC/DCT/SLCC:-** No items received this month

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

## **Other items received:**

e) An email has been received from our solicitor informing the Parish Council that the sale of the land at Tremlett Grove has failed.

f) Bruce Hooker who regularly inspects the Defibrillator boxes around the village has emailed to say that the AED pads at the Methodist Church expire in April 2020. He has suggested that we have 1 set spare for each box instead of 3 and the spare can go to whichever box gets used. **Action –** Clerk to order one set of AED Pads.

g) An email has been received about many items of household waste which the council do not collect under the current recycling scheme. There is an international recycling company called Terracycle, they do require payment which includes the box and its collection and processing when full. To find out more visit <https://www.terracycle.com/em-GB>. The Hub are in the process of arranging to run a similar scheme.

g) A letter has been received from a parishioner about the state of the road surface at Dornafield Road. The clerk has replied to the parishioner informing them that this is a Devon County Council matter and has passed on their letter of complaint to Devon County Council Highways.

## **REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

Four Councillors attended a refresher training course for Councillors at Broadhempston Village Hall in January 2020. They said the training was very informative.

**Millennium Centre** – Nothing to report

**Village Hall Committee** – Nothing to report

**Ipplepen Community Fund** – Next meeting due on 16th April 2020.

**Emergency Team** – Nothing to report

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

**County Matters**

It is crucial that any declaration of a climate emergency is followed up with action, so I’m pleased to see that the County Council has commissioned a full analysis of the carbon impacts of its waste management services from international environmental consultancy Eunomia Research & Consulting Ltd. Eunomia’s emissions modelling will establish the carbon footprint of DCC’s waste management services, including the emissions from reuse, recycling, composting, anaerobic digestion, residual energy recovery, landfill and transport. Carbon contributions from each of Devon’s eight district waste collection as well as its recycling centres will be included in the analysis. The research will also factor in the need to meet a 65% recycling target by 2035.

The Brunel Road Recycling Centre will be closed to the public for a week from Monday 3rd February and for a week from Monday 9th March for maintenance works. The works are being undertaken in the quieter winter period to try and minimise disruption to the public as much as possible. Alternative facilities are available at Exton Road, Marsh Barton, Exeter and Babbage Rd, Totnes for those that need to recycle/dispose of material during the closure periods.

EU citizens with valid EU passports can apply for the EU Settlement Scheme. The scheme also extends to their non-EU citizen family members who have a biometric residence card issued by the UK. The deadline for applications to the EU Settlement Scheme is the end of December 2020.

The application process can be completed online, but the identity verification part of the application, which is necessary, requires the person to have access to either an Android or some Apple mobile devices. Anyone in Devon who does not have access to such devices can make an appointment with the Devon Registration Service to have their identity officially verified for their application.

To book an appointment to have a biometric passport or biometric residence card scanned, one can telephone the Devon Registration Service on 0345 155 1002 for an appointment. The cost of the identity document scanning service is £14.

Finally, the Budget process has started in earnest. More than £43 million extra will be injected into vital services in Devon. Cabinet approved the target budget of £541 million for 2020/2021. That’s an increase of 8.7 per cent on this year. Consequently, there will be extra cash for social care and health, children’s services, roads and drainage. When the budget is agreed by full council next month, it will mean an extra £23.7 million for adult care and health, £11.5 million more for children’s services and £2.7 million for highways including £1 million to help deal with drainage issues on the road network. Please don’t think that austerity has ended, this is a one-year settlement for shire counties at the expense of others such as our neighbours Torbay who lose 8.03% and Plymouth who lose 11.58% and District Councils like Teignbridge.

**District Matters**

I do not propose to go through the budget in detail this month, but only to highlight that sadly the Teignbridge element of your Council Tax bill will rise by the Government’s maximum of £5. The headlines are an additional resource in Planning Enforcement and the that we have found the money for a Climate Emergency Officer. We will be freezing the cost of a Green Garden Waste Bin as promised in our Manifesto, we will be charging residents who are moving into a brand new home £80 for a suite of new bins – the 150 residents who may be eligible for Council Tax Reduction will receive a 50% reduction in the cost - and finally due to budget pressures we will be charging a £1 flat rate charge on Sunday parking from 10 am to 4 pm. Teignbridge have been monitoring Ash Dieback in the District. So far we have lost only 4 of the approx. 3,800 that the Council owns – sadly 95% of these will die in the next ten years. We have identified areas to plant 7,300 trees and will be planting at least 1,500 trees a year for the next three years. Private landowners are advised to have any Ash trees on their land inspected regularly but only to remove them if they pose an unacceptable risk to people or property. All Ash trees that are covered by a tree protection order or are in a Conservation area will require consent before removal. I have mentioned the One Teignbridge project in the past and I’m pleased to say it is now in the finals for Granicus Digital Awards. Essentially processes such as ordering a Green bin or reporting a missed bin are now entirely automated without any Officers being involved in the process. The Food Standards Agency praised our Registration System and said it was the easiest and least painful registration they had come across.

As part of this project you may have noticed that “My Neighbourhood” has moved from the top of the page on our website to the bottom. It is replaced by “My Account” where you are able to store all your personal details – Council Tax payments, green bin payments, order a bulky waste removal and any other transactions you may have with the Council. This will help speed up your transactions and since last September more than 17,000 people have opened an account to pay for their green bins.

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156) **PLANNING** – Clerk on behalf of Coun.Farrow

The Minutes of the Plans meeting held on Wednesday 22nd January 2020, were approved and taken as read

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

**Certificate of Lawful Use or Development:** Application 19/01975/CLDE – Certificate of Lawfulness to confirm the use of the site as recreational and amenity areas ancillary to Ross Park Caravan Park at Ross Park Caravan Park, Moor Road

**Granted:** Application 19/02086/FUL – Installation of two new rooflights at Coombe House, Combefishacre

**Granted:** Application 19/02087/LBC – Internal alterations in association with relocating kitchen to ground floor, including one new internal doorway and one internal window; external changes of one new window, one enlarged window and two new rooflights at Coombe House, Combefishacre..

**No Objection:** Application 19/02522/CAN – Fell goat willow, pear and apple trees at Old Grange, Bridge Street.

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

c) **Applications discussed**:

No applications were discussed. These will be discussed at the Plans Committee meeting on Thursday 20th February 2020.

157) **AMENITIES** - Coun.Palethorpe

The Minutes from the meeting held on 14th January 2020, were approved and taken as read. Matters arising from the Minutes as follows:

a) The Football Club have cleared the area around the Clubhouse and have done a great job ‘Thank you’.

b) The Women’s Institute wrote to the Parish Council last year to ask for permission to plant a tree in the Recreation Ground. The location of the planting of the tree has been agreed by Coun.Palethrope.

c) The play park repairs have been delayed as we haven’t received like for like quotes. Coun.Palethorpe is dealing with this.

d) Coun.Palethrope met on site with the Environmental group that attended the Parish Council meeting in December 2019 to discuss tree planting. Coun.Palethorpe is going to put some proposals together and will present these at the amenities meeting on Tuesday 11th February 2020.

e) The skate park repairs will take place when the weather gets better and vehicles can drive across the Recreation Ground.

f) Coun.Mrs.Northwood was looking at grants forms to help towards a new skate park. Unfortunately the grant is not applicable to new equipment, so will possibly have to look at taking out a loan.

158) **FINANCE & PERSONNEL** – Coun.Smith on behalf of Coun.Mrs.Olding

**Balance No. £ 54,948.86**

**Received:**

IFC –Removal of part of Oak Tree £ 250.00

ICC – Rent £ 106.25

**Balance: £ 55,305.11**

**Invoices Received and Approved: £ 1,953.75**

**Balance £ 53,351.36**

**Reserve Account Balance £ 55,950.01**

**Overall Total £ 109,301.37**

**Items discussed:** No items this month

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

a) Coun.Smith is working on the fingerposts for the Village.

b) Coun.Smith has requested a meeting with a contractor next week with a view to giving a price to include the ducting drainage outside Dainton Golf Club.

c) Coun.Smith is meeting with Ros Davies on Thursday 6th February 2020 to look at the Parish Paths Scheme.

d) The footpath invoices from the contractor need to be checked and totalled for the current financial year. **Action –** Clerk to inform Coun.Smith of amount spent.

e) The next Highways meeting is due on Thursday 26th March 2020.

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

Coun.Rattlidge is trying to encourage more parishioners to come along to the Neighbourhood Plan meeting on Wednesday 5th February 2020.

Teignbridge have sent self build survey leaflets to Coun.rattlidge which will be distributed with March’s Parish magazine.

161) **COUNCILLOR ADVOCATE SCHEME**

Coun.Rattlidge has sent the February’s Advocate Scheme email which has been circulated to all Councillors. There will be another meeting in March 2020 which will be looking at anti-social behaviour.

Coun.rattlidge has arranged a Neighbourhood Watch public meeting for Thursday 19th March 2020 at the Milleniumm Centre at 7pm. Anyone who is interested, please come along as we do need your support. **Action –** Coun.Smith to create the posters and liaise with Coun.Rattlidge.

162) **VE DAY – FRIDAY 8TH MAY 2020**

Coun.Mrs.Olding has previously mentioned about military vehicles attending **Action –** Coun.Mrs.Olding to speak to contact in the village.

Ipplepen Carnival Club have offered to help. The clerk will wait to hear from Mr Vallance to arrange a date to meet and discuss in more detail. **Action –** Clerk to write to all groups in the Community to see if they would like to be involved with the event.

163) **CAR PARKING – NORTH STREET**

The clerk has contacted BT Openreach about the possibility of using the exchange for car parking, and is waiting for a reply. The War Memorial belongs to the Parish Council but is not registered at HM Land Registry. **Action –** Clerk to contact solicitor to get the land registered to the Parish Council.

164) **HIGHWAYS GRITTING – CLAMPITT ROAD**

A letter has been received from parishioners about the gritting of Clampitt Road. Coun.Carnell is liaising with Devon County Council to ask them to grit Clampitt Road in the future.

165) **SUGGESTIONS FOR PARISH ASSEMBLY SPEAKER**

Coun.Rattlidge has suggested that the Neighbourhood Watch Officer could come and give a talk. **Action –** Coun.Rattlidge to liaise with the Neighbourhood Watch Officer to see if he can attend the Parish Assembly on Thursday 23rd April 2020.

166) **OPEN FORUM**

a) A parishioner said that the Clampitt Road toilets were well used and appreciated.

b) A parishioner mentioned about the parking along Fore Street (between the Wellington Inn and the Co-Op). Buses are having trouble getting through due to way cars are parking.

c) Two parishioners mentioned about the draft plans for the War Memorial and were very supportive to having no cars parking on there.

167) To note the date of the next meeting: **Tuesday 3rd March 2020**

Meeting Closed at 8.35pm