

IPPLEPEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held at Ipplepen Millennium Centre

On Tuesday 2nd August 2022 at 7.15pm

In attendance:

Coun.Palethorpe (Chairman)	Coun.Rattlidge
Coun.Mrs.Olding (Vice Chair)	Coun.Farrow
Coun.Burnham	Coun.Smith
Coun.Carnell	

Miss Cat Freston – Parish Clerk

Coun.Dewhurst - District/County Councillor

One member of the public present

The following minutes will be considered for approval at the next Parish Council Meeting and may be subject to change until that time.

43) **APOLOGIES** – Coun.Mrs.Calland, Coun.Ranjit (apologies approved unanimously).

44) **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – No declaration of interest.

45) **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th July 2022 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

46) **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** – No comments.

47) **CORRESPONDENCE AND OUTSIDE BODIES** – Parish Clerk

a) An email has been received from a new allotment tenant asking if they could add a greenhouse onto their allotment plot at some point. All Councillors present are happy for a green house to be put on the plot as long as it's removed when they vacate the plot.(Unanimous).

b) An email has been received from Teignbridge Street Name and Numbering Officer to ask if the Parish Council could confirm they are happy for development at Tremlett Grove to be named 'Rosemoor'. It was agreed unanimously.

c) Initial who provide the sanitary waste removal at the toilet blocks have sent a letter informing the Parish Council that they will be implementing a price increase of 3.2% which works out at £0.04 per collection. Agreed unanimously.

Coun.Rattlidge will be attending the Councillor Advocate Scheme in September.

Coun.Mrs.Olding attended the AGM MCMC meeting followed by their usual meeting. They have asked if a steam cleaner could be purchased to clean the Mill Centre. (All unanimous) It was asked if the tree could be trimmed which is overhanging the pathway at the Mill Centre – Coun.Carnell has spoken to the Grass Cutting Contractor who will cut it back.

Coun.Rattlidge attended a Councillor Advocate Seminar on serious violence prevention on Thursday 7th July 2022 at Exeter Racecourse.

48) DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Coun.Dewhirst

County Report

Devon County Council is working on a new scheme which could give community energy groups the chance to 'rent' farmland and buildings to help them expand Devon's renewable electricity capacity. If successful it could see renewable energy installations totalling 100 kWp developed on low-grade, agricultural land – land which is otherwise unsuitable for grazing or growing crops.

It's all part of a project funded by Interreg Europe called AgroRES. The project is working with EU-partners to increase the use of renewables within the agricultural sector.

The Devon Carbon Plan is set to be released this autumn and will outline how Devon must become net-zero by 2050 at the very latest. Devon has committed to become a net-zero authority by 2030.

The Climate Change Committee says that renewable energy production has to be quadrupled to have any chance of meeting these targets.

Farms could be the key – there is huge potential for land and buildings to be used to generate energy from wind, solar, biomass and agricultural waste.

Devon County Council has apologised for failing to improve services that support children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

A joint report by Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission has been published following a recent inspection. Inspectors conclude that Devon's SEND service continues to require improvement. The failure to make improvements comes despite the council continuing to support children's services with greatly increased resources and spending.

Inspectors noted in their report that some individuals, schools, colleges and services are working well and that they are improving outcomes for some children and young people with SEND.

The report, however, highlights many areas where the council needs to improve, inspectors recognise that the new leadership team must get to grips with the longstanding issues with the SEND service.

Like many other local authorities across the country, Devon County Council is facing unprecedented financial pressures largely due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Brexit, the cost of living crisis and increased demand for support for vulnerable children and adults.

In a report considered by Cabinet, the Director of Finance, Angie Sinclair, set out the challenging financial position and the steps being taken to address the financial stability of the Council.

With an estimated £30.5 million budget overspend, it is more important than ever before that we make the most of the opportunities to save money, while prioritising services to help people and communities at the right time and in the right place.

While it is early in the financial year and change can be expected as the year progresses, the Council has never faced a combination of demand growth and price shock pressures on this scale, and needs to act now if we are to prevent an even larger hole in our budget.

A group of senior officers has been established to identify options to save money including remodelling services and delivery, identifying different sources of funding, and cancelling or delaying some projects. This work is a top priority and needs to happen at pace, however absolutely no decisions have been made about any options, which will be presented to and considered by elected Members before any action is taken.

District Report

At Teignbridge Council last week, it was agreed that due to construction inflation increases work on the Future High Streets Project for Newton Abbot would change slightly. The already agreed Queen Street improvements would go ahead, the new multi-screen cinema, currently in planning, and the refurbishment of the Corn Exchange market building would

continue to go ahead. However, the Council would invite local arts groups to present proposals for the Alex cinema with business plans to be presented by June next year.

The 2022 Green Flag parks awards were announced last week and four of Teignbridge's parks have again received this prestigious international quality mark, reflecting the fantastic work our teams do to maintain and manage them.

The four - Courtenay Park and Decoy Country Park in Newton Abbot, Homeyards Botanical Gardens in Shaldon and the Den in Teignmouth - attract huge numbers of residents and visitors each year.

The Green Flag Award scheme, managed by Keep Britain Tidy sets the benchmark standard for the management of green spaces across the United Kingdom and around the world.

This week sees the start of the annual canvass with residents being contacted by different means to check their household's details on the electoral register are correct.

Residents are encouraged to look out for this communication - which may be via an enquiry form sent through the post, an email or a text - and respond as soon as possible using one of the digital methods set out.

To control costs the 29,000 recipients of the emails are encouraged to respond before 19th August to avoid us incurring the cost of sending a follow up form by post.

If people don't hear from the Council, it could mean that they are not on the electoral register but they can ensure they don't lose their right to vote by going online and registering

Residents with questions about their registration status can contact electoralservices@teignbridge.gov.uk

There are currently two bird flu restricted zones across Devon and people are being asked to take extra care if they see a dead or sick wild bird. Avian influenza, or bird flu, is primarily a disease of birds and the risk to public health is very low. However, please do not touch or pick up any dead or visibly sick birds that you find.

If you find dead wild waterfowl (swans, geese or ducks) or other dead wild birds, such as gulls or birds of prey, you should report them to the Defra helpline on 03459 33 55 77.

Garden waste renewal notices for the 2022-23 subscription year, which commences on 1st September, have been sent to subscribers. Online customers will be emailed and sent a link to sign in to their account and renew their subscription online.

Those without an online account will be sent a letter. They will be able to renew their subscription either by creating an online account, using the 24 hour payment line (03300 882 834) or paying at a post office/Paypoint location. The subscription costs £50 per bin, with residents in receipt of income related council tax reduction receiving a £5 reduction.

This year a two week break in garden waste collections after Christmas has been introduced. By suspending the service briefly when it is used less frequently, our team can focus on delivering core household waste and recycling services when volumes are at their greatest. This also helps us align with other Devon authorities.

Alistair Dewhirst - alistair.dewhirst@devon.gov.uk

49) **PLANNING** – Coun.Farrow

The Minutes of the Plans Meeting held on 20th July 2022 were approved and taken as read

To revisit the following planning application:

This planning application is being revisited as the Parish Council's previous comments at the meeting held on 20th June 2022 were as below:

The Parish Council's previous comments were: Ipplepen Parish Council object to this application as the development will interfere with the amenity of number 1 Mayfair Road.

Should the officer be of a mind to approve the application, Ipplepen Parish Council requests that the application is considered by the Teignbridge District Council full planning committee.

After the comments were submitted to TDC the residents of 1, Mayfair Road emailed to say they have no objection to the application.

22/00864/HOU - Single storey front and rear extensions, new entrance gates and new front boundary fence at 11, Clampitt Road.

Comment: Coun.Farrow proposed that Ipplepen Parish Council rescind their comment 'should the officer be of a mind to approve the application, that they request it is considered by Teignbridge District Council full planning committee. Seconded by Coun.Mrs.Olding (All unanimous).

50) **AMENITIES**

The Minutes of the Amenities meeting held on 12th July 2022, were approved and taken as read.

- There was no amenities report, Coun.Carnell reported that there are still refuse bins in the middle of the recreation field from the Cottage Garden Show. The hole for the maypole had not been filled in and the key for the stand pipe has not been returned. **Action** – Clerk to write to the Secretary of the Cottage Garden.
- Chapter 8 – Renewal – The Clerk has booked Chapter 8 training for Saturday 6th August 2022 to be held at the Millennium Centre. Coun.Palethorpe, Coun.Rattlidge, Coun.Carnell, Coun.Farrow and Coun.Burnham and two members of Ipplepen Carnival Committee will be attending. The Cost per candidate is £85.00 plus Vat which includes card and certificate. (Approved unanimously).

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

Balance No.	£ 57,263.19
MCMC - Reimbursement for electricity	£ 28.12
Mill Centre – Rent	£ 55.00
Allotment Tenants – Rent	£ 60.00
NFU Mutual - Claim for installation of bus shelter at Foredown Road	£ 5,934.00
Balance	£ 63,340.31
<u>Invoices Received and Approved:</u>	£ 8,721.71
Balance	£ 54,618.60
<u>Reserve Account Balance</u>	£ 138,540.54
	£ 193,159.14

Items to discuss: Nothing to discuss

52) **HIGHWAYS & RIGHTS OF WAY**

a) DCC have emailed confirming that they are now in a position to accept the Parish Council's proposals subject to the following conditions;

- All requirements detailed on the attached MSSA form are complied with and addressed as part of the scheme
- You will provide a maintenance agreement, which needs to be agreed by both Devon County Council and yourselves

- All Highway work to be Chapter 8 compliant and necessary permits applied for by the contractor.

A legal maintenance agreement needs to be made and the Parish Council also need to establish who some of the land belongs too.

- b) Coun.Smith received an email from a resident about large vehicles driving along Conniford Lane and Edgelands Lane. The email as passed onto DCC Highways who have since responded and the reply has been passed to the resident.
- c) Coun.Smith reported how disappointed he is with how much dog fouling there is along the public bridleways/footpaths.
- d) The next Highways meeting is on Wednesday 17th August 2022 at 6.30pm.

53) **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Coun.Rattlidge has spoken to Rob Kelley at TDC.

The Parish Council are happy for any amendments to be made and will delegate to Coun.Rattlidge to submit the Neighbourhood Plan to TDC when he feels it is ready. Coun.Palethorpe proposed, seconded by Coun.Mrs.Olding. (All unanimous)

54) **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** – It was asked if anyone knew why the work at Tremlett Grove had stopped. It was reported that the ground work has been completed and they will now progress onto phase 2 of the development in due course.

55) To note the date of the next PC meeting: **Tuesday 6th September at 7.15pm**

Meeting Closed at 20.30pm