

Iwerne Minster Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of Iwerne Minster Parish Council held in the Abingdon Hall on the 4th January 2016.

Present: Chairman Cllr J Hooper, Vice Chairman Cllr M Jones, Cllr P Le Prevost, Cllr C Nadin, Cllr Evans and Cllr K O'Connor

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips – Clerk, 6 members of the public.

Public Questions:

There were no questions or comments from the public.

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council are now able to co-opted a new member on to the Council and two people so far have come forward expressing their interest in joining. The Council agreed that Co-option be put on the agenda for the next meeting to allow more time for any other persons interested in joining the Council to contact the Clerk or Chairman.

15/83 To take any apologies: Cllr D Croney.

15/84 Declarations of Interests and Requests for Dispensation. There were none.

15/85 Minutes of the meeting held on the 7th December 2015.

The minutes were proposed by Cllr P Le Prevost and seconded by Cllr C Nadin and all members agreed that minutes were a true and accurate record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

15/86 Matters arising from the minutes.

The Chairman read out a note of thanks from Cllr D Croney for her leaving gifts and also acknowledged thanks from Mrs J Major, for her leaving gifts.

Cllr Nadin reported that the A350 Community Group will be holding a meeting with Dorset County Council regarding the ongoing issues of the C13 and A350. It was also reported that the C13 will be closed on the 18th January 2016 for a week, to enable further work to be done on the existing traffic lights and safety barriers.

Cllr Nadin reported that a meeting has been scheduled for the 19th January with Mike Potter from Dorset County Council to agree where the 20MPH signs should be placed. The Chairman reported that Dorset County Council have redone the monitoring tube in Higher Street, the results came back showing that traffic speed had been down to 20MPH. This is a positive factor in their decision for consideration of a 20MPH speed limit through the Village.

15/87 To receive a report from County and District Councillors. Nothing to report.

15/88 To consider development management matters listed on the schedule.

Development Control Matters:

2/2015/1700/HOUSE – 1 The Glebe – install air source heat pump – Support the application.

2/2015/1788/HOUSE – Hilltop Barns – Construct Garden Room – Support the application.

2/2015/1895/CATREE – Spring Cottage – Catalpa Crown and fell 2 x Sycamore - Support the application.

15/89 Finance.

The payment schedule had been tabled, total cost for December 2015, £453.21. It was proposed by Cllr Nadin and seconded by Cllr Jones, that the bills presented on the schedule should be paid. **The proposal for the budget for 2016-17 been tabled. After debate it was agreed to increase the precept to £16360.00 for 2016-17. This is an increase of 16.86%, which will be an average increase from 0.84p to 0.94p per week per household in the Village. The reason for the increase is due to the Parish Council will now be expected to take on more responsibility of the roads, verges, footpaths and signs as well as managing the Play Area, where a lot of the equipment needs either replacing or repairing. Iwerne Minster Parish Council have for many**

years had a below average precept for the size of the Village and want to ensure that there are funds available to make sure the Village is maintained in the correct way for all residents.

RESOLVED: to set Iwerne Minster Parish Council Precept at £16360.00 for 2016/17 (2015/89 – no budgetary provision required.)

15/90 To consider other Parish Matters

Environmental Protection & Highways: The following was reported:

- Blocked drains around the village have been reported to Dorset County Council Highways team.
- The potholes which have been reported to date have been filled. There is a large pothole on the A350 by Oakwood Drive. This will be reported.
- It was agreed to arrange a litter picking day for the New Year.

Recreation: The following was reported:

- The children's playground will be looked at for repairs and replacement equipment ready for the better weather.
- There are a few benches that need to be replaced. This will be looked at and reported back.

Rights of Way: The following was reported:

- There are two broken gates at Preston Hill. This will be investigated.
- A stile post at Valley View needs replacing. This will be reported to Dorset Rangers.

Village and District Liaison: The following was reported:

- There is a meeting of the DT11 group scheduled for the 13th January, is a closed meeting for the management team, an open meeting is scheduled for the 27th January at 5pm at Stourpaine Village Hall, details can be found on their website.
- A lady named Margo, is arranging with a Bus To Go Service, day trips out. If you are interested please call her on 01258 837749.
- Dorset House Choice needs to be looking at their criteria and restraints for local people wanting to purchase affordable homes in the area. This item will be looked at further under the Neighbourhood Plan with comments from the residents of the Village.

Parish/Neighbourhood Plans: The following was reported:

- The Neighbourhood Plan Working Group has been approved for a grant towards producing the Neighbourhood Plan. The Parish Council will be responsible for these funds.
- Briefing packs have been given to the Team Leaders in the Working Group and a meeting is scheduled for the 15th January to discuss taking the project forward.

Community Resilience & Emergency Planning: The following was reported:

- The snow patrol paper work has been updated and circulated to the members and Parish Council.
- Cllr Hooper confirmed that salt supply he holds is fine.

Homewatch/Speedwatch:

- Thank you to Ian who is keeping the Council informed of Homewatch matters.
- Geoff reported that Iwerne Minster Speedwatch Team has been told they are the most proactive and productive in Dorset. Very well done to all the members of the Speedwatch.

At this point the Chairman asked all to stand of one minute silence in remembrance of Mr Peter Williams and Patricia Roberts from Iwerne Minster. Condolences to the families.

15/91 To consider DAPTC matters. The following was reported:

- DT11 have joined forces with the NHS Trust to ensure that information is forwarded to Councils of any changes to the NHS locally.
- DT11 are making sure that they are kept informed regarding the proposed Unity Authority to ensure that smaller Councils are not pushed to one side.

15/92 To consider any other matters arising from recent correspondence.

All correspondence had been circulated and actioned.

The following was agreed to be added to next month's agenda – **Grants**

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Monday 1st February 2016 at 7pm.** There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.10

Date Chairman,

Iwerne Minster Parish Council

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