

Ilmington Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall
on Thursday 23RD October 2014

Present: Cllr. G. Davies, Cllr R. Hawkins, Cllr J. Sherwood (Chair), Cllr T. Wilkins and Cllr S. Wright.

Also present: Gill Bailey (Clerk) and 13 members of the public.

Cllr Sherwood declared that Clive Johnson would record the meeting and if anyone objected then they should make themselves known. No-one came forward.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Osborne, Cllr Saint and Cllr Seccombe

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Sherwood declared an interest in planning application 14/02759/FUL as she is a neighbour. Cllr Sherwood advised that she had requested Dispensation to take part in discussions but not vote. It was unanimously agreed by the remaining members that Cllr Sherwood's Dispensation be accepted. All members declared an interest in the planning application which had just been received in respect of Ilmington Community Shop as they were all individual shareholders.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

A Parishioner asked if IPC had any influence over the allocation of new homes on the new development on Armscote Road as they felt that local people who filled the local choice criteria were being rejected unfairly. Cllr Davies responded by saying that the Parish Council had little power over the allocation. However, he advised that IPC members were concerned that the needs and requirements of some Parishioners had not been taken into account. Following a robust discussion and exploration of the issues at hand with the various members of the public present, the Council, agreed that the allocation of local choice housing was questionable. It was agreed that the Clerk and Cllr Davies liaise and request a meeting with all stakeholders, including representatives from WRHA, Orbit, WCC and SDC.

Steve Bromley, the Agent for the applicant in respect of planning application 14/02557/FUL introduced himself and said that if any members had any questions regarding the development, he would be more than happy to answer them.

4. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 25th September 2014 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

5. COUNCIL REPORTS

- A. Cllr Hawkins reported on discussions he had with the sports and social club suggesting an agreed constitution which may replace the need for a formal lease agreement. He went on to request that a decision be made and that this item be placed on the agenda for the next IPC meeting. Cllr Sherwood requested that the proposed constitution be circulated amongst members so they could comment on the proposal.
- B. Cllr Hawkins also reported on progress relating to the replacement of the skateboard ramp and confirmed that the cost would be between £4,500 - £8,000 depending on the materials utilised. Following a discussion, it was agreed that members would look into the provision of grants and find out from Alison and Alan Wright what the contribution might be from the Playground Fund.
- C. Cllr Hawkins also reported that the Grass Mowing Contract would be coming to an end soon and the costs for mowing the village should be looked at. Cllr Wright recalled that a

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letter had been received from a Parishioner who had asked IPC to consider treating Upper Green as a wildflower meadow and that perhaps the amount of mowing could be more flexible to accommodate this.

- D. Cllr Hawkins also reported that the Playground Safety Inspection had been undertaken and several tasks had been identified. Following a discussion, it was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Hawkins under-take the necessary repairs as there was a health and safety risk involved.
- E. Cllr Wilkins confirmed that as IPC have an additional Salt Bin in storage, Jeff Morris from WCC Highways would be prepared to re-fill it and place it in the roadside by Washbrook.
- F. Cllr Wright said that he had provided Members with a list of contacts for parish organisations and if no-one had any additional comments he would continue with the list he had prepared.
- G. Cllr Wright also advised that on the WCC web site there was a link available which gave details of any proposed highways works during the coming week.
- H. Cllr Sherwood noted that the new parish council website should be available for review and testing very shortly.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was noted as received.

- i. K A Perkins – Returned cheque
- ii. Parishioners comments regarding dog fouling
- iii. Ilmington Bowling Club Request and Cheque
- iv. WALC – Planning Practice Guidance : Housing Assessment
- v. Andrew Deptford – Purchase of a new defibrillator
- vi. Midlands Rural Housing – Housing Scheme Opening at Wilkins Way
- vii. Linfoot Country Homes – Larkstoke Grange – price list, plans etc
- viii. Shipston Rural Watch – Heating Oil Thefts
- ix. Wirsol – Blackwell Solar Park Application – Request to attend an IPC meeting
- x. M Shepard – Police & Crime Commissioner Safety Ambassadors – crime & communication
- xi. CPRE – Save Chesterton Mill
- xii. WALC – Playground Equipment Safety

7. PLANNING

It was **RESOLVED** to make the following comments on planning applications received:

| Application no. | Proposal | Address | Submitted by | Agreed comment for submission by Parish Council |
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| *14/02759/TREE | T1, T2 and T3, Conifer: Fell, T4: Pear – thin crown by 25% & T5: Larch - Fell | 6 Foxcote Hill, Ilmington | Ms N Baylis | No Objection |
| *14/02757/TREE | G1: Lime X 2: Remove dead wood, epicormic shoots, crossing branches & other growth deformations, conduct the work to BS:3998 20% crown thinning | 7 Manor Barns, Middle Street, Ilmington | Mrs S Jones | No Objection |
| *14/02557/FUL | Proposed erection of one new dwelling with attached garage & associated works | Middle Brook House, Ilmington | Mr I Barnard | IPC Support with Conditions |

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| *14/02606/TREE | T1: Apple: reduce crown by one third, T2: Apple: reduce crown by one third, T3: Apple: remove, T4: Apple: remove, T5: Autumnails: reduce crown by one third, T6: Apple: reduce crown by one third, T7: Asa: remove, T8: Apple: remove, T9: Apple: reduce crown by one third. Removed trees to be replaced with new fruit trees. | Killaloe, Lower Green, Ilmington | Mrs A Hawkins | No Objection |
| *14/02622/TREE | T1 : Willow: Fell | The Dower House, Back Street, Ilmington | Mr M Tremellen | No Objection |

The following planning up-dates were noted:

| Application no. | Proposal | Address | Up-date |
|-----------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 14/02085/LBC | Proposed extension & alteration to existing dwelling, rooflight, sunpipe, dormer window, wood burning stove (retrospective) | The Stores, Middle Street, Ilmington | SDC decision: Permission |
| 14/02083/FUL | Proposed extension & alteration to existing dwelling, rooflight, sunpipe, dormer window, wood burning stove (retrospective) | The Stores, Middle Street, Ilmington | SDC decision: Permission |

8. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR & DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

As neither Cllr's Seccombe nor Saint were present at the meeting, there were no reports.

9. TO DISCUSS THE DATES FOR ILMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

- A. **RESOLVED** to defer this item and discuss whether IPC should hold a meeting in December and the dates for future meetings.

10. TO DISCUSS & CONSIDER THE INCREASE IN DOG FOULING IN THE VILLAGE

- A. **RESOLVED** for the Clerk to respond to the letters that had been received from concerned Parishioners. The Clerk also handed out Dog Fouling stickers to Parishioners.

11. TO CONSIDER RESPONSES TO CONSULTATIONS

- A. Boundary Commission Warwickshire County Council Electoral Review
It was agreed not to submit a comment on the boundary review for Warwickshire.

12. FINANCE

- a. **RESOLVED** to approve adding the new Clerk to the existing Bank Mandate.
b. **RESOLVED** to approve the payments set out in Annex A.

13. COUNCILLORS REPORTS OR ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- a. Ilmington Parish Council Web Site – This item had been covered previously by Cllr Sherwood.
b. Grass Mowing Contract – Cllr Hawkins requested members to feedback their ideas to him.

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- c. Acknowledgement of residents who currently mow verges and green areas – It was **RESOLVED** for the Clerk to write a letter of thanks to the appropriate Parishioners and submit a Thank You to the Parish magazine, Notice Boards and the IPC web site.

14. TO CONFIRM THE DATE AND TIME OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Planning Meeting to discuss Planning Application 14/02612/FUL on 10th November 2014 at the Sports and Social Club commencing at 7.30 pm and Ordinary Meeting on 27th November commencing at 7.30 pm.

Meeting closed at 21.00.

ANNEX A

The following payments were approved:

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| i. | Clerk's salary & expenses, September/October 2014 | £444.53 |
| ii. | Grass Mowing village greens (July) | £468.00 |
| iii. | Grass Mowing village greens (September) | £370.80 |
| iv. | Avonmore Associates – Maintenance of Bowling Green | £2,152.20 |
| v. | K.A.Perkins (Re-issued Returned Cheque) | £6,030.00 |

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