

## ILMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2012.

Present: Mrs. P.J. Maguire, Mrs. A.D. Wright, Messrs. F.J. Edmunds and M.P. Taylor. Also present were District Councillor C.J. Saint, Mr. & Mrs. M. Ribbans, Mr. Colin Edwards, Mrs. R. Payne, Mr. Mark Blackman, Mr. Steve Chance and Mr. Roger Paul.

Apologies were received from Mr. A.G. Wilkins and County Cllr. I Seccombe.

In the absence of Mr. Wilkins, Mr. Taylor took the chair.

### MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed and signed.

### MATTERS ARISING

1. War Memorial. Quotations had been asked from Mr. Alan Wright, Cliffords of Stratford and Banbury Memorials, but none had yet been received. It was not clear whether the present lettering could be restored, or if not what other remedial action would be needed.
2. Roads & Potholes. The flooding in Back Street had been cured with the replacement of a long stretch of pipe which had become blocked with tree roots. The broken pipe in front of the Red Lion was the end of the line, so that no action was needed.
3. Dog fouling. There was nothing to report.
4. Mickleton Road. Mr. Fred Edmunds suggested that there should be reflectors on the posts alongside the children's playground, and County Highways should be asked about this. There was nothing to report on the proposed "No Parking. Car Park" signs.
5. Flooding. The Clerk reported that Mr. Jeff Morris from County Highways had been to inspect the floods between the Mickleton Road and Armscote Road, and had agreed to contact Severn Trent about the break up of the road surface round the manhole where sewage had been coming up. He would also try to get his contractors to clear the culvert under the road at that point. Mr. Edmunds reported that there was flooding all along the Armscote Road, and that all the landowners should be asked to clean out their ditches. He would speak to them personally, and their names should be passed to Mr. Morris.

6. Village Hall. With regard to the concern of the Village Hall about the cost of housing the Outreach Post Office and the Defibrillator Unit, Mrs. Sheila Ribbans reported that this would be discussed at the next meeting of the committee in January.
7. Pavilion Roof. A quotation for remedial work on the roof had been received, but Mr. Wilkins had said that this did not cover the whole problem. Mr. Edmunds reported that he had another two firms who would be coming to the pavilion to assess the work required, and he agreed to inform Mr. Wilkins so that he could be present.
8. No salt had been put in the new bin opposite the school, and Mrs. Maguire agreed to deal with this.
9. Community Shop meeting. Mrs. Maguire reported that the meeting was very well attended, and a report would be forthcoming in due course.
10. Resignation of Mr. David Sabin. The vacancy had been advertised and the District Council had been informed. The Returning Officer would be informing the Parish Council in the very near future whether an election was required. If not then the Parish Council could fill the vacancy by co-option.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

1. A letter from the County Council about winter services in the county. It also asked for a snow warden to be appointed in each parish. The warden would only have to report to County Highways on the local situation during the period of severe weather conditions, and Mr. Edmunds agreed to do this.
2. The Clerk reported that she had seven volunteers to clear footpaths, and she would contact Mr. Wilkins about this.
3. An email from Mr. Clive Tinson asking to be informed if there was any discussion about flooding in case he could help. It was suggested that the village needed flood signs from County Highways to put out at the bottom of the village, and District Cllr. Saint gave the telephone number of the Warwickshire Flood Team - 01926 412711.

#### FINANCE

1. The Clerk reported that she had received the following sums of money:-
  - (a) £105.00 for adverts in the Ilmington Village Website.
  - (b) £1,060.00 from Ilmington Bowls Club for materials needed for the autumn maintenance of the Bowling Green.
2. The following cheques were agreed, signed and were within budget:-

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| (a) G.V.S. Righton, mowing playing field                     | £ 78.00    |
| (b) Avonmore Associates, autumn maintenance of Bowling Green | £ 1,272.00 |

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| (c) Ilmington Village Hall, hire of rooms for 2013                                       | £ 88.20  |
| (d) Six Parishes Magazine, cost of advertisement<br>and questionnaire for Community Shop | £ 140.00 |

## PLANNING

1. 12/02445/TREE. Notice of consent with conditions from the District Council for tree work at The Shippen, Burlingham Farm Court.
2. 12/01824/FUL & 12/01825/LBC. Notices of consent with conditions from the District Council for the infilling of the porch at Middlehill Barn, Back Street.
3. 12/02361/FUL. Application for removal of existing sheds and construction of two dwellings at Clifford Orchard, Frog Lane. Mrs. Rosemary Payne, one of the joint applicants, Mr. Mark Blackman, the applicants' planning consultant, and Mr. Steve Chance, the applicants' architect were present. Mrs. Sheila Ribbans pointed out that these plans were an improvement on the last applications, but that the proposed garage was nearer to her property and would block a lot of light. Mr. Blackman agreed on behalf of the applicants to move the garage forward. Mrs. Susan Carr was concerned about the additional flood risk to houses below Clifford Orchard, but these matters were covered in the water management statement accompanying the plans. Mr. Mike Lane was concerned about the demolition of much of the traditional dry stone wall. Mr. Blackman explained that the stone in the walls that would be demolished would be cleaned and used in the reconstruction of the walls to improve the access. He also said that traffic during the building process would be strictly controlled, and no large lorries would be going up the lane. Cllr. Saint pointed out that in future water drainage would be addressed by the District Council rather than Severn Trent. It was agreed that the Parish Council approved the application, subject to the garage being brought forward as far as possible, and to the drainage and flooding matters being covered.
4. 12/02493/FUL. Application for change of use of land from agricultural to domestic curtilage to create a tennis court at The Orchards, Campden Hill. The Parish Council supported this application.
5. 12/02535/FUL. Application for a proposed rear extension at Ashley Cottage, Carriage Wheel Lane. The Parish Council supported this application.
6. 12/02644/TREE. Application for the felling of a willow at Grump Cottage, Grump Street, and its replacement with a Japanese Maple. The Parish Council supported this application.
7. 12/00574/TREE. Application to reduce the crown of an oak tree back to previous pruning points at Park Piece, Grump Street. The Parish Council had no representations to make.

8. 12/02434/VARY. Application for removal of condition to replace existing roof lights with conservation style roof lights at The Hill, Back Street. The Parish Council had no representations to make.

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### VILLAGE HALL ENTRANCE

Mrs. Ribbans asked if the Parish Council could contribute to the cost of improving the surface to the entrance. She understood that the Village Hall property went as far as the main gate, but beyond the gate was the property of County Highways. She agreed to find out who owned that part of the entrance.

### BUDGET

After considerable discussion Mr. Taylor proposed, seconded by Mrs. Maguire and agreed, that the budget should be adopted and that a Precept of £18,000 should be asked for in 2013.

### PLAYING FIELD

1. Mrs. Wright reported that she had been offered two large trees to provide some shade in the children's playground. This was agreed, and Mrs. Wright should consult with Mr. Wilkins about where to plant the trees.
2. Mr. Edmunds asked who owned the caravan on the playing field which had been there for several weeks. The Clerk reported that it belonged to a Mr. Jones who was visiting a relation who had been ill. He had already paid £10, but Mr. Edmunds agreed to speak to him if he saw him.

### ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Cllr. Saint reported that from 1<sup>st</sup> April there would be a new grass cutting contractor for both the County and District Councils, and he advised that the Parish Council should check that the new team would be using the agreed plan.
2. Cllr. Saint also reported that the District Council budget would be late this year.
3. Mrs. Wright asked that the minutes should include the information that there was an unofficial one way system down Back Street from Campden Hill past the school from 8.30 – 9.00 in the morning and 3.30 – 4.00 in the afternoon.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

Date

Chairman