

IWADE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 10 January 2018

Present: Cllr. M. Gale – Chair
Cllr. S. Cheeseman – Vice-Chair
Cllr. R. Langham
Cllr. P. Horner
Cllr. A. Dollimore

Cllr. P. Hyde
Cllr. R. Clark
Lynda Fisher, Clerk
Borough Cllr. Dewar-Whalley
6 Parishioners

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting; apologies received from Parish Cllrs. Mitchell and Plumb, County Cllr. Whiting and Borough Cllr. Stokes.

2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

Dispensations are in place for Members relating to The Barn and Iwade School. Cllr. Horner declared an interest in Item 7.2.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Proposed by Cllr. Langham and seconded by Cllr. Cheeseman, the Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on the 9 January 2018 were agreed and signed as a true transcript.

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4. Visitors/Public Time

1. **Visitors** – No comments.
2. **County and Borough Councillors** – County Cllr. Whiting submitted a written report summarising his work over the past year.

Borough Cllr. Dewar-Whalley apologised for his absence at meetings, due to clashes with the Borough Council's Cabinet and other meetings. He had noted that there appeared to be a free for all at road the narrowing near to Iwade Garage and wondered if it was worthwhile taking this up with KCC Highways to see if they will install a give way sign. Clerk to check with County Cllr. Whiting regarding this and to raise the issue again of 20 mph speed limit. **Action: Clerk**

3. **Community Warden/PCSO** – The Community Warden Checked fly tipping and dealt with issues in Swale Way, Bannister Hill and Old Ferry Road. Advised of two thefts of property in Iwade, both in School Lane. Performed three predictive policing patrols on Sheppey Way.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

1. **Cycling Clubs** – Clerk to arrange a meeting with Sheppey Velo, Cllrs. Dollimore and Langham would like to attend. **Action: Clerk**
2. **The Cairn Plaque** – Agreed central wording to be “In Memory of the Fallen from this Parish who gave their Lives in the Great War 1914-18”. Cllr. Cheeseman to approach a resident who he believes will be able to produce a draft design for the plaque. **Action: Cllr. Cheeseman**

3. **School Lane Playing Field** – The Chair and Clerk met with Swale Borough Council’s Green Spaces Officer, who is looking into a couple of items and will update the Council in due course.

6. Planning

1. **17/506357/FULL:** Erection of a part single storey and part two-storey rear extension: 61 Cormorant Road Iwade ME9 8WP – no objections.
2. **17/506410/FULL:** Erection of a single storey side extension: 26 Sharfleet Crescent Iwade Sittingbourne Kent ME9 8UQ – no objections.
3. **17/506083/FULL:** Demolition of existing garage and conservatory and erection of replacement detached garage, erection of two single storey side extensions and erection of new entrance gates: Kimlee Grovehurst Road Sittingbourne Kent ME9 8QZ – Members raised no objection to the building works, but object to the erection of new entrance gates. Councillors also object to the existing fencing to the front of the bungalow, as shown on the plan submitted on the 21st December. The height of this fencing obstructs the sight line and any vehicle existing the property has to enter the road to obtain a clear sight line to the right, this can be hazardous.

7. Correspondence

1. **Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan (KMWLP) 2013-30 Consultation** – Clerk to ask Cllr. Mitchell to look at these documents and report to the February meeting. **Action: Cllr. Mitchell**
2. **Mansfield Drive Bridge** – Clerk has received further correspondence relating to issues with the opening up of the bridge over the stream. Clerk instructed to forward the information to Borough Cllr. Dewar-Whalley and to contact Swale Borough Council to see when the ‘A’ Frame to stop motor bikes using the bridge will to be installed. **Action: Clerk**

8. Finance

1. **Grass cutting contract** – The Chair and Clerk were to meet with a Swale Borough Council Officer but due to him being ill, this did not occur. Clerk is awaiting a response from him as to re-arranging this to discuss next year’s contract. **Action: Clerk**
2. **Planter – Sanderling Way** – KCC have given agreement, Clerk to meet with the Highways Steward to look at the site. **Action: Clerk**
3. **2018/19 Budget and Precept** – The accounts for 2017/18 appear to indicate that there will be an overspend; this in the main is due to projects consisting of the Barn - £4245 (this does not include money used from the KCC Broadband Grant) and the ANPR Camera - £8125.

Included in next year’s budget is the cost of the Cairn and a new project, which will span 2 years, to eventually install Christmas Lights from the Church up to Telly Tubby Hill, the costs will include the lights, installation and electricity. Grants for the year have been set at £3500 and following funding request from village organisations, the agreed sums put aside for each are as follows:

Iwade Brownies	£663
Iwade Scouts and Cubs	£1271
The Barn	£1200 – for insurance
Iwade W.I.	£366
Iwade Herons	Agreed to pay for installation of bollard, awaiting quote.

Proposed by Cllr. Dollimore, seconded by Cllr. Clark, agreed the budget and no increase in Precept for the second year running; a Band D property will be £35.43p and the requested Precept £51207.56p. **Action: Clerk**

4. **GDPR Workshop** – Clerk advised she will be attending the workshop on the 11th January; the cost for this has now been confirmed at £36 – half to be paid by Bobbing Parish Council. **Action: Clerk**

5. **Accounts and Cheques raised at this meeting** – Proposed by Cllr. Langham and seconded by Cllr. Clark agreed the following cheques and accounts to the 31 December 2017:

Date	Chq.	Details		Amount
10.01.18	1993	Clerk's Expenses	Telephone, Use of Office, Stationery, Car Park Fee - Dec	£31.00p
10.01.18	1994	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax due January	£295.04p
10.01.18	1995	Steve Wakeling	Work carried out in December	£150.00pp
10.01.18	1996	McCabe Ford Williams	Quarterly Payroll Preparation	£39.00p
10.01.18	1997	Russ Hodges	Work to the doors/tiles The Barn – Donation	£190.00p
10.01.18	1998	Iwade Village Hall	Hall Hire Oct/Nov 2017	£42.50p
10.01.18	1999	M. Gale	Gift for leaving Cllr. In recognition of service	£18.98p
10.01.18	2000	J. Hunt	Screen-cracked replacement better quality thus price difference, The Barn – BB Grant	£199.00p
10.01.18	2001	J. Hunt	Computer equipment (3 sets) for The Barn – BB Grant	£2268.83p
10.01.18	2002	D. Buckett	Internal Audit 2001/17	£303.30p
Ten cheques in total				

Plus:

Staff Wages - January	£1159.86p	Paid by Standing Order
Eon: Energy Supply, Street Lighting – October	£53.29p	Paid by Direct Debit
Countrystyle Hire of 110 Ltr. Envirobin – October	£51.41p	Paid by Direct Debit

9. **Projects/Project Updates**

The Barn – nearing completion, an open day held recently for residents. The computer desk and IT equipment is now in situ. Only work outstanding is the skirting, a disabled ramp and the creation of a paved patio area. The Parish Council again thanked everyone who had worked on this worthwhile project.

10. **Reports from Representatives**

- Hall - tickets for Santa's Grotto sold out; the event raised about £200. Met with the Community Engagement Officer who agreed to arrange to repaint the hall in February and in summer the stage area to be sanded-down and varnished, plus additional work outside the building. New radiator covers installed and new blinds will appear shortly. Events - 50s and 60s Night taking place on the 2nd June, a Quiz Night in March and the Market will be back in March.
- KALC – nothing to report.

11. **Any Other Matters Arising**

- Clerk received two nominations for Vice-Chair; Cllr. Cheeseman took up the post.
- Cllr. Hyde asked the Clerk to chase BT to remove the empty phone box and reinstate the ground; ask Doubledays to remove the fly-tipping from the Grovehurst field entrance gate area of their field and ask the Police if 'Hawkeye' can be installed near to Sheppey Bridge in view of the 'Drifting' events.
Action: Clerk

12. **Next Meeting(s)**

Wednesday 14 February 2018, commencing at 7.30 pm in Iwade Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.