	tacts		All contacts also listed on www.iwadevillage.co.uk	
Council		Organisations and Clubs		
Swale Borough Council	<b>Tel</b> -01795 41785 <b>E-mail-</b> csc@swale.gov	Iwade School	<b>Tel-</b> 0179	5 472578
	<b>Twitter</b> - @SwaleCouncil <b>FB</b> - Swale		<b>Web-</b> iwa	ade.kent.sch.uk
KCC 24hr Helpline	<b>Tel</b> -08458 247247	Iwade Health Centre		0 426666
,	<i>E-mail-</i> county.hall@kent.gov.uk	Iwade Pharmacy		5 439368
West Clieber Codes	<b>Tel</b> -01795 476979	The Woolpack (and Darts		
Ward Cllr Ben Stokes		Bodycare	<b>Tel</b> -0179	
	<i>E-mail</i> -ben.stokes34@btinternet.com	Heaven Hair And Beauty Iwade Garage		5 438988
County Cllr Roger Truelov	e <i>Tel-</i> 01795 425445	Tinkerbells		2 544285
	<i>E-mail-</i> roger.truelove@kent.gov.uk	Happy Days Nursery		5 424348
County Cllr Lee Burgess	<b>E-mail-</b> lee.burgess@kent.gov.uk	Ickle Pickles Nursery		5 474551
James Hunt	<b>Tel-</b> 07788 101228 <b>Twitter-</b> @lwadeJames	Brownies-Debbie Rhodes	<b>Tel-</b> 0790	
	<i>E-mail-</i> james_ipc@btinternet.com		(school h	all- Mondays 5.45-7pm)
Parish Clerk Lynda Fisher	Tel-01795 477015	Rainbows- Sue Thomas		5 422810
Parish Clerk Lyllua Fisher				usanthomas2609@hotmaiil.co.uk
	<b>E-mail-</b> iwadepc@blueyonder.co.uk	Cubs-Lisa Andrews		9179154
<b>Village Hall Hire</b> Sue	<b>Tel-</b> 01795 475967			lisamayandrews@btinternet.com
	<b>Web</b> -iwadevillagehall.org.uk		(Ages 8 t	
	609	Beavers- Kelly Croucher		30 975444
	Crime	(1)		kcroucher76@hotmail.com Village Hall- Mondays 6:15-8:30pm
Kent Police Emergency	<b>Tel-</b> 999 <b>Web-</b> kent.police.uk	Parent and Toddler		lall-Tuesdays 9-11am)
Non-Emergency	<b>Tel-</b> 101 <b>Twitter-</b> @kent_Police	Scouts- Beth Peal		4 401734
PCSO Matthew Link	<b>Fb-</b> Kent Police <b>E-mail-</b> 56826@kent.pnn.police.uk	Death Feature Car		eth.peal@kentscouts.org.uk
PCSO Mattnew Link	Tel-as above			Hall- Thursdays 7:15pm)
Nick Mayatt (Kent Warden)	<b>Mobile-</b> 07969 584184	Model Flying Club		3 938171
Mick Mayatt (Ment Warden)	<b>E-mail</b> -nick.mayatt@kent.gov.uk	Iwade Herons	<b>Tel-</b> 0179	5 477821
Neighbourhood Watch	<b>Tel-</b> 01795 419211			07597 947226
Anti-Social Behaviour Team	<b>Tel-</b> 01795 417575			ifcsecretary@hotmail.co.uk
	News	Iwade Allotment Assoc.		8 384233
				philburbury@hotmail.com
Observer Team	<b>E-mail-</b> the.iwade.observer@gmail.com	Village Market		00 767893 or 07904 610298
Nicola McKenzie	<b>Tel-</b> 01795 439892 <b>Mobile-</b> 07738 828308	18/ - : l. 4 18/ - 4 - l		tevethefish51@googlemail.com
	<i>E-mail-</i> iwadeobserver@iwadevillage.co.uk	Weight Watchers Milton Hundred	E-mail-	chool- Tuesdays 5:30 and 7pm)
	<b>FB</b> -nicola.mckenzie.3781	Wargames		ltonhundredwargamesclub@gmail.com
	<b>Web-</b> iwadevillage.co.uk	Speedway Ltd.	<i>E-mail-</i> t	theoldgunsite@gmail.com
Val Pugh (Distribution)	<b>Tel-</b> 01795429883 <b>E-mail-</b> v.pugh@sky.com	Health Walks- Jan	<b>Tel</b> -0179	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Janet Gregory (Distribution)	<b>Mobile-</b> 0774540101	w.i- Hilary Foulds		5 474686
	<i>E-mail-</i> janetgregory117@btinternet.com	Scottish Dancing		52 382424 Hall-Friday 7:30-10:30)
	Church		(village i	Tall-Filliay 7.50-10.50)
Revd. Ron Partidge	<b>Tel</b> -01795 842007			\$ MANUE
(hardens 0 and the m)	E mail roudron nartridge Quirain not		MIKIN	AL ALKINISH

(baptisms & weddings) Pamela Horner(Warden) Dawn Plumb(Warden)

**Captain Stephen Plumb** 

**E-mail-** revdron.partridge@virgin.net **Tel-** 01795 437026 **Tel-**01795 429742 Tel-01795 429752 Mobile-07905 040119 **E-mail-**captainplumby@btinternet.com

### **DISCLAIMER**

Whilst every care has been taken to ensure accuracy of the information in this newsletter, neither the printer, editor or distribution team can accept responsibility for any subsequent alterations, errors or mistakes in any material published herein. The views expressed in any articles are not necessarily the views of anyone involved in the production of this newsletter.

Another packed issue for you this month. We would like to apologise for last month's Dates for the Diary including the September Village Clean Up that had been cancelled.

We'd also like to apologise to the W.I. for the mix-up with their articles and hope we are back on track with this issue.

Wishing you all a spooktacular Halloween! The I.O team





Top of the bill,

Frankie's Lab will be

back with a new

show, which will be held in the hall from

5pm. Entry is by

all proceeds will be

given over to our

modern day Florence

Nightingales, the Macmillan Nurses, so

dig deep and support

If it is your first year in our wonderful village you are in for a trick or treat! If not, you will already know what a big thing Halloween is here, and it gets bigger and better every year!

I'm sure the villagers of Iwade will once again surprise and delight us all by

decorating themselves and their houses, scaring the living this worthy cause. daylights out of each other and generally having much fun and frolics, celebrating all that is good about living in our increasingly popular village reminding us just how lucky we are to be able to take part in community events like this.

Due to the ever increasing popularity and subsequent appreciative crowds, this year, Frankie's Lab have joined forces with Haunted Hallows and have secured the Village Hall for the night. The grounds will be transformed into the Haunted Hallows including a Haunted Graveyard, with Halloween goodies for sale, and Bobbing Apples, Rumour has it that the Iwade Clown may even put in an appearance!

COME UP AND JOIN THE HORROR IN MANSFIELD DRIVE wake no bones about in plenty of ghouls and spooks to see FUN AND LAUGHTER GUARANTEED



The whole event is being supported by the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council, who have helped to fund it and refreshments will be provided by the lovely ladies of The Iwade W.I. Please show your appreciation to them and to The Halloween Helpers for all the hard work and preparation that goes into staging this kind of event. Volunteers to help clean up afterwards would be much appreciated.

Can we just advise those of you out trick or treating to please be respectful of others property and please only knock on the doors of houses that wish to partake in these festivities and are decorated or displaying a pumpkin etc .And most of all, have a terrifiyingly scary All Hallows Eve!

Below: some brilliant pumpkin-spiration! with thanks to Michelle Castro-Cable.







**Keeping our kids safe** 

have introduced a range of measures to help.

from 8.30 until 8.50 which reduces the number of Child's Play, also reduces the number of children vehicles that need to park at any one time. After leaving the school at 3.15pm. school it is not possible to stagger collection times as Inconsiderate parking near the school does continue many parents have more than one child at the school to present danger and inconvenience to children, and this would result in cars being parked for longer. parents and residents and the school and we do ask We actively encourage our children to walk or cycle ALL drivers to please drive and park sensibly. Please to school; nearly 75% of our children live in the help us to keep all our children safe! village and we have installed cycle racks in the school



Iwade School Now with Lollipop Lady! lwade school children can now safely cross School on school ane mornings and afternoons with the help of our lovely new lollipop lady Julie Murr.

Iwade School is the largest employer in the village grounds. Our new road crossing patrol officer, Julie and we now have 420 children attending the school. Murr is now in place every morning and afternoon, each day. We are aware of the impact that this has helping parents and children to cross the road safely. on the traffic and parking around the school and. This has been a long awaited appointment by us and the local authority.

We have a staggered drop off time in the mornings, Our very popular breakfast and afterschool club,



Pictured here training, Julie has got a smile for everyone come rain or shine. We love our new lollipop lady!

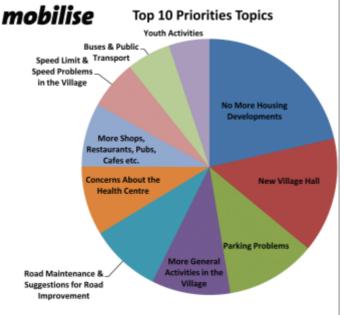
Thank you to all those involved in making it happen including Iwade School and Kent County Council.

## **Iwade Survey Results**

As part of the Localism Live Pilot, Iwade Parish Council is **mobilise** creating a 10 Point Plan setting out ambitions for Iwade. The aim of this 10 Point Plan is to focus the attention of all partners: the Iwade Parish Council, Swale Borough Council, Kent County Council, Police, Church, Schools and others on a set of shared priorities for Iwade.

To inform this 10 Point Plan, Iwade Parish Council asked residents in the village to complete a survey. Residents were asked to put forward their suggestions, needs and aspirations for Iwade village.

Unfortunately we don't have space here to include all the results but have included a pie chart to demonstrate what the respondents considered to be the priorities for Iwade. If you would like a full copy of the report contact the Iwade Parish Council using the contact details on the back page or check out IwadeVillage.co.uk where you can find the Survey Results on the home page or on the News page.



## Jay Manning Paddles 40 Miles Round Sheppey

Jay Manning our resident Standup Paddle Boarder (SUP for short) paddled 40 miles round Sheppey on Saturday 7th September 2013 for the Island Race Challenge.

Starting at 7.30 in the morning and finishing at 4 in the afternoon from calm waters to wind chop, Jay says it was the toughest paddle he's ever done in his 7 years of the sport.



## Saddle Up



So it was that time of year again, the annual Ride and Stride for Friends of Kent Churches and All Saint's Church Iwade which takes place every second Saturday of September.

This year 10 riders took part from Iwade, headed up by friendly boy scout Dave Wastall! Waved off by Reverend Ron Partridge and Pamela and Graeme Horner at Iwade at 10.30 the riders cycled through drizzle and proper rain from church to church raising a grand total of £415 between them for the cause.

Lower Halstow, Upchurch, Newington, Borden, Bredgar, Tunstall, Rodmersham, Bapchild, Murston then home via the relief (the riders were relieved!) road with dry weather first spotted at Murston!

Another fantastic ride with great team spirit from the riders despite the weather clocking a joint total of 250 rain-fuelled miles! Well done team, great cause, great day.

Prizes for best refreshments go to Rodmersham and Bapchild. Home-made cakes first sighted at Rodmersham to our delight!

It's not too late to sponsor the cycle and your church at justgiving.com/Team-Iwade-RideandStride;-)

## Dates for the Diany

•Thursday 3rd October 7:30pm• Iwade Village Hall AGM If you would like to join Iwade Village Hall Committee go along to the AGM and volunteer your services! Worthwhile committee for community venue.

### Saturday 5th October 7:30pm **Barn Dance**

Family-friendly Barn Dance at Iwade Village Hall with live music from the Abbey Capers. Tickets £9 adults, under 14s free including ploughmans. Telephone Sylvia on 427777, Pamela 437026 or Stephen 429752 to reserve your tickets.

## •Wednesday 9th October 7:30pm• Iwade Parish Council Meeting

At Iwade Village Hall with time for resident's comments or questions, go along and find out more about our parish or to have your say. Keep an eye on IwadeVillage.co.uk for the agenda when it becomes available.

## •Thursday 10th October 11:15-11:25•

Mobile Library
Springvale end of Sheerstone, one piece of identification required to join.

•Sunday 13th October 10am-1pm• lwade Village Market

A great range of stalls at lwade Village Hall including refreshments why not pop along if you've not been for a while and see for yourself.

•Wednesday 16th October 7:30pm• W.I.Seated Yoga Relaxation Session at the October W.I. meeting thanks to Christine Dolby. Check out the W.I. contacts on the back page if you'd like to join.

# •Wednesday 23rd October 4pm• Kent Police Neighbourhood Meeting Chat to your neighbourhood police team outside Londis between 4 and 5pm on this day.

## •Thursday 24th October 11:15-11:25• Mobile Library

•Saturday 26th October 8pm• Karaoke at the Woolpack

Thursday 31st October
Halloween
Iwade Village Hall 5pm
5pm first show and more shows thereafter, Haunted
Hallows in Village Hall grounds, glouls and spooks at Mansfield Drive, Trick or Treat all over . . . have fun!





### Iwade Herons Match Report

(under 10's)
Iwade Herons v
Maidstone United Rangers
Sunday 8th September 2013

2 - 2

The boys were looking forward to our first league game of the season on the back of a pre-season win against former top division side Barming Youth the previous week. The Stones fixture was always going to be a closely fought match with both sides having had similar successes against each other in previous season's friendly matches.

It was Maidstone who got the proceedings going with the centre kick but the Herons were soon having a good proportion of the play and after 2 minutes a throw-in was controlled beautifully by our number 9. Jude then turned a couple of players and found himself outside of the box, to the right and with the touch line almost upon him. The ball sat up perfectly for him and from nowhere he launched an outstanding shot which screamed past the dumbfounded opposition keeper and into the net, 1 – 0 to the Herons!

Play continued with some really attractive football form both sides, Iwade have worked really hard on some new formations and techniques over the summer and this was now clearly showing in their play. After some end to end play, Iwade were slow to react to a free kick awarded on the left and before we found our markers Maidstone had slotted one in the goal to make it 1 – 1.

lwade continued to battle though and found ourselves with a couple of opportunities up front with Tommo unlucky to put us back in front. With now only a few seconds left on the clock in the first match, the Stones broke away, their striker found himself one on one with our keeper and launched the ball towards the roof of the net. I think everyone will agree as it left the player's boot we all thought it was going in, yet once again Jake pulled it out of the bag and leapt in the air to parry the ball over the bar – outstanding! The whistle followed with the first game

ending 1 – 1.

The second game started just as positively as the first and after only a few moments Iwade's pressure forced a rare mistake from the Stones who passed back to their own keeper and gave away a free kick. The captain stepped up to the plate and went through his usual set up in preparation for the kick. Daniel looked at the three man wall, took three steps and looped it over them, the ball curled slightly left to right from his left footed shot and was heading for the top left. The ball could grazed the defenders head and landed firmly in the roof of the net for Iwade's second of the day, 2 – 1 to the Herons!

Throughout the remainder of the half and into the second, Jake was up to his usual heroics pulling off a nice couple of saves to keep us ahead. Both George and Oli were making some attractive runs down the left, Alex was making some beautiful turns and was terrorising their defence and Riggs and James were making it hard for the oppo to get to our back line with some solid tackles and hard work Towards the middle of the second half Charlie and Josh found themselves under pressure though and were outnumbered at the back after a clever counter attack form the Stones. The ball was placed across the pitch from the right and even with last gasp attempts from both Jake and Charlie to clear, the ball hit the back of our net to make it 1 a piece.

The game ended shortly after with a final score of 2 – 2 probably being a fair reflection on the match. Jake was awarded the man of the match after keeping us in the tie on numerous occasions.

With one point on the board the Herons are off the mark but more importantly, I was really impressed with the positive football the lads showed throughout. There was plenty of passing and some really attractive moves, each one of the lads gave 100% which is all I can ask.

Well done boys, great performance! Mark Foster, Under 10's Manager

## Harrison Hoad at Nationals!

Harrison Hoad, pictured is 9 years old and attends the Meapa gymnastics club in Gravesend 4 times a week. Harrison has been Kent and South



East champion in floor and vault and is now becoming a 6 piece gymnast. In his first men's artistic 6 piece competition Harrison was placed in 6th position and as part of the top six has now been selected to represent the Southeast at Nationals in Birmingham in November. Harrison and his family would like to thank the Swale Youth Development Fund for their support.

Well done Harrison and good luck in November!

Can we have an Observer exclusive please?!

### Now enrolling for Under 5s

lwade Herons FC are now enrolling new Under 5's players for the coming season.

If your child is in the reception year at school and wishes to join the village football club, please email mark.foster@southbankcentre.co.uk for further details.

Sessions are normally 10.30 to 11.30 on Saturday mornings at Iwade School.

Places are limited and are issued on a first come first serve basis, please be sure to reply quickly to avoid disappointment.

You can also call Mark on 01795 438655 or 07817 326 965

### Herons looking for Under 14s ...

lwade Herons Under 14s Manager Kevin Friend is looking for more players to strengthen their current squad. You can get hold of Mr Friend of Halloween fame on his mobile on 07525 443 527

or by email at kfdrillingltd@hotmail.co.uk if you are interested in joining the Under 14s or know someone who is.

J's Sales and Lettings are proud to be an official sponsor of the Iwade Herons for the 2013-14 season.

J's Sales and Lettings are a local Estate Agent working hard for Iwade and are proud to support the local School and community.

backing the young Iwade Herons in their sporting campaign. and are looking forward to updated reports of their SUCCESS! Go Herons!



Sales & Lettings

## **Iwade Flood Protection**

The Environment Agency have recently completed works to install two bespoke high-tech weed screens in Iwade, that will significantly reduce the risk of flooding in the local area. Approximately 50 properties in Iwade were flooded in 2000 as a result of the culvert becoming blocked, and debris in the culvert has been an ongoing problem at the site since.

The new screens will significantly reduce the likelihood of flooding by preventing debris from entering the culvert whilst still allowing water to pass in a flood event.

The high-tech screens will communicate with each other via radio link, enabling them to compare water levels and automatically trigger an alarm at the Environment Agency's office in Addington if water levels are different or unusual. One of the screens is also fitted with CCTV to enable remote monitoring.



Local wildlife will also benefit from the upgrade, as the design allows small creatures to make their way back into the watercourse after raking and before the debris is removed and disposed of correctly. There is a large water vole population downstream which the new screens will help to protect from debris and pollution.

Ian Nunn, Environment Agency Operations Manager, said: "The village of Iwade has experienced first-hand the impact that floods can have on homes and businesses, so it's great that the new weed screens are in place and they can enjoy increased flood protection.

"The support that we have received from the local community throughout the project has been fantastic, with a genuine feeling of goodwill towards the contractors. It's been a pleasure to work on a project that has been so appreciated by the local community."

Thank you to MP Gordon Henderson's office for the photograph of the big reveal. MP Gordon Henderson pictured said,

"I am grateful to the Environment Agency for sorting out for my constituents in Iwade this long standing problem. I very much hope that installing new weed screens will drastically reduce the risk of flooding in the village and give residents peace of mind."



Iwade's Keith Reynolds of Iwade Rock and Kulpritts fame raised over £500 for Cancer Research UK with fellow Kulpritt with a bungee jump off the top of the Wheatsheaf pub Sittingbourne. Not bad for someone who's scared of heights eh!

## **Iwade's Southcliffe Star**

by Teresa Faulks

You may have seen Southcliffe on Channel 4 and recognised Faversham? Did you also recognise Hayley McGinty, stage name Hayley Squires? Here's what Hayley's mother has to say:

"Hayley McGinty uses the name Squires as her stage name was her great great Grandmother's surname. She is 25 and has lived in Sittingbourne for 12 years and Iwade for 7. She lives with me (mum Teresa Faulks) her step dad Martin and brother Sean.

Hayley attended Sittingbourne Community College where she also worked for a few years while writing her plays and attending auditions. There are several scenes shot at SCC that she was not aware of until she watched the playback. She did a 3 year drama degree at Rose Bruford College and achieved a 2.1 in acting.

In 2011 she wrote a play Vera Vera Vera (google will give you info on this) and submitted it to The Royal Court Sloane Square for some advice, they were so impressed with it the play was performed there last April for 3 weeks, and then moved to Theatre Local in Peckham for another month. She was lucky enough to be able to work with the director and was allowed to help pick the cast for Vera, which is not something that is normally done.

In November 2012 she was nominated for The Evening Standard best new playwright award. She attended the evening at The Savoy Hotel and although she didn't win it was great recognition for her first play.



## W.I. Update

Our August meeting was a talk on Romney Marsh Wools by Kristina Boulden. She and her husband who is a 6th generation farmer founded the Romney Marsh Wools in 2008 producing 5-6 tons of wool a year from their flock of semi long wool sheep which are an efficient grazer and give a good return on their wool and meat. In 2008 they also acquired some Merino sheep which being a short hair wool is a lot softer and also in 2010 they diversified by using the lanolin from the fleece to make Wool Fat soap and Hand & Body Lotion. We all had a chance to handle the fleece and to buy the merchandise. Did you know 80% of all British Wool ends up as carpets?

The competition was for a hand knitted item which was won by Trish Ebelthite for her lovely baby's shawl

In September we are holding our annual Harvest Supper where we invite other WI members from the Newington Group to share a meal with us and we will be entertained by Matthew Reisbeck who runs the "The Hartbeats" a lively singing group from Hartlip.

Fantastic Harvest Supper so a big thank you to the W.I. for the invite. The singing with Matthew and the food were highlights!

## **Iwade Village Hall Summer Spruce Up**

The IVH committee has been spending some of the hard earned money from our fund | October then you can take part in the raising events. During the school summer holiday break, the hall and stage floors were Children's Centres consultation treated to some much needed TLC.

Roy Cooper, of Orchard Edge Property Maintenance, was brought in to patch up, repair, sand and seal the floors after another years hard wear and tear. The hall floor now looks brighter with it's light varnish, while the stage has benefitted from a dark Mahogany finish. And at long last and much overdue, we have replaced the old Brown plastic chairs

Banquet chairs, with thick padded cushions and backs. The hall committee hopes everyone likes the changes and will treat them with the respect they deserve.



Give Us Our Rec Back! Iwade politely requests that Persimmon "GIVE US OUR REC BACK" asap! With thanks

If you read this on or before 4th

which proposes to both reduce

Children's Centres and reduce the

number of hours offered. Go to

answer a few questions if you don't

and

kent.gov.uk/childrenscentres

want to see this happen.

### **ECO SCHEME NOW INCLUDES REPLACEMENT BOILERS**

Action with Communities in Rural Kent has been working with British Gas to offer eligible local residents free insulation; they are pleased to announce that replacement boilers have now been included in the scheme. People in receipt of certain benefits, who have an old and/or broken boiler may be entitled to a free replacement. Loft and cavity wall insulation are also still available.

For people who don't receive benefits but have had to treat cavity walls, there is an offer of up to £1000 off the cost of the work to insulate them. If you have previously been declined for cavity wall insulation or think you have hard to treat cavities there may now be a solution to

All the offers are open to people who own their own homes or live in private rented housing.

All you have to do is give British Gas a call and if you are eligible, they will book in a free survey at a time convenient to you. They will then arrange a time to undertake the work.

This is a government initiative to reduce energy bills and carbon emissions. There is no catch, you don't have to take out a contract, take up any British Gas products or services or even be a British Gas customer to take advantage! British gas will check your eligibility when you phone them; calls are free.

We're expecting demand to be high so give them a call right now free on 0800 980 9037. If you need any help or require further information please contact Tessa at Action with

Action with Communities in Rural Kent



Communities in Kent on Rural 01303 813790

## Sittingbourne Speedway

Residents

In the July issue of the Observer the Club gave details of the Ivor Thomas Memorial meeting held to remember the man who started the track back in the seventies. The meeting was a very well attended event with probably the largest number of vintage Rudges, JAPs and other speedway machines from the 1970's and 1980's ever seen at the track. Indeed not only were the machines still going well for their age but the oldest competitor to take to the track for a few laps was in his nineties.

The next big date in the Club's calendar is Sunday September 22nd when the final round of the British Youth Championship is held. This is the third year the Club has been asked to stage this prestigious event and being the final round of the Championship it means the the 2013 British Youth Champion will be crowned at the track. The Club are hoping for a good turnout and some fine weather to ensure a good day is enjoyed by everyone concerned.

## Iwade Parish Council Notes taken from July and August 2013 Meetings

Secondary School Transport — Bullying Issues — Report from Cllr. Gale and response from Westlands School noted.

School Lane Playing Field and Search for new Temporary Field – Clerk has written to Oliver Doubleday, Ted Ledger and Wards Homes and has received no response to her request for the temporary use of land for a football pitch. The Chairman has approached the owners of Pond Farm and again has had no response.

The Chairman has a meeting with the Executive Headteacher of Iwade School to investigate the possibility of using the school field; the football pitch at the Speedway site was also mentioned. Clerk requested to put this matter on the August Agenda.

Youth Council - Cllr Wastall has been to the Village Park and met with Miranda from the CATs Project; she mentioned the loss of the playing field. He spoke to youngsters present who appeared to be interested in the Youth Council, but none have turned up this evening.

Neighbourhood Watch-The PCSO, Matthew Link, commented that John Haddaway from Medway will be dealing with this.

Neighbourhood Plans - Cllr. Mitchell and other representatives from the Parish Council met with James Freeman, at Swale Borough Council and spoke about this and future applications for development for Iwade. It would seem practicable to cover Ridham Dock in any Neighbourhood Plan. One good thing that came out of the meeting is that the Planning Department will work closely with the Parish Council.

Village Logo – Members decided to hold a competition to design a village logo; perhaps splitting it into age groups 4-7; 8-11; 12-18, with a prize for each group and then to choose an overall winner. Cllr. Hunt agreed to ascertain the appropriate format for creating the logo and will discuss the competition with the Executive Headteacher of Iwade School.

The Chairman commented that he attended the recent meeting of the PPG at the Medical Centre, when details of the way forward were outlined by Malling Health. Cllr. Rook and the Clerk agreed to sit on the PPG, taking alternate turns to attend the meetings.

Nature Reserve — The Chairman had a meeting with a representative from the Partnership, who are drawing up details of the Reserve for a planning application. The Partnership is keen to work with the Parish Council to discuss details and requirements.

The Beetle Survey was not very good this week. Keystone is supposed to be doing surveys on the Newts; this is being looked at. Pippa Palmer has submitted her application for the Community Orchard. Clerk requested to check with Graeme Tuff, Swale Borough Council to see if there is any update on the pathway at the end of Woodpecker Drive being opened up.

Parishioners suggested planting wild flowers around the pond and stream; the grass is longer on the sides of the stream because of the Water Voles. Chairman agreed to check with Graeme Tuff, Swale Borough Council and the PTS regarding cutting the grass in the park, in an area that could be used for playing football.

County Cllr. Burgess very generously offered the Parish Council £4000 from his grant funds, to be used for purchasing two new replacement lamp columns, as part of the Parish Council's lighting programme.

He mentioned planting Poppies, which many areas are doing as part of the forthcoming World War I commemorations and commented that the seeds have more of a chance of taking if the ground is disturbed before they are planted.

Matthew, the PCSO, understood that there had been some issues with youths in the village. He commented that if villagers are facing problems they need to telephone Kent Police on 101 so that an Officer can attend; he clarified that 999 should be used only for emergencies.

WWI Commemorative Trees, 2014-2018 Agreed to look at a possible site for commemorative trees to the side of the Church, adjacent to the new Graveyard. It was also suggested that Poppies be planted around the base of the trees. Cllr. Mitchell to ascertain names of people within the village who served in World War I.

Medway Swale Estuary Partnership and Iwade Residents have been complaining that at the bell mouth end of All Saints Close the tarmac surface has not been finished; Members wondered if there has been some problems in this area because the drains have sand banked up around them.

> A resident raised an issue with the public right of way that links Sheerstone with Springvale; Clerk to contact KCC Footpaths asking them to cut back vegetation, clear graffiti and generally clean up the area which has rubbish strewn

discussion took place on the current consultation; Members noted the only reference to housing in Iwade in the Local Plan is the 42 proposed dwellings which already have outline planning permission. There is concern that the proposed A249 development will have an impact on Iwade, particularly roads. It is understood that the Northern Relief Road is not going ahead but that Swale is looking at proposals for a Junction (5a) on the M2 to link into Kent Science Park. They also felt the private road leading into Ridham Dock needs upgrading to cope with any expansion in this area. Cllr. Mitchell to look at the Local Plan CD and this matter to be discussed again at the September meeting.

Erection of an office building in association with the existing commercial buildings at this site (use B1) and for night security (retrospective) - Culnells farm, School Lane; Members raised concern that this is yet again a retrospective application and gueried why the same footprint as the previous building has not been used; the new is more than twice the size of the original.

Details pursuant to conditions 6 (Rail Strategy), 10 (Contamination Risk), 11 (Buffer Management Zone), 12 (Environmental Management Plan, 13 (Archaeology), 14 (Landscaping) and 20 (Details of the Waste Bunker) of planning permission SW/10/444 -Land at Kemsley Paper Mill - Details relating to the various conditions noted and no issues raised. The Parish Council are keen to engage with the company and in this respect would like to visit the site.

For the full version of the minutes go to the Council page on IwadeVillage.co.uk