

Iwade Parish Council

Monthly Parish Council Meeting

Held on Tuesday 10th July 2007 at 7.30pm

Present:

Chairman Peter Wilks
Mrs Sarah George, Parish Clerk
Vice Chairman Phil Fearn
Cllr Lisa Older 2 Parishioners
Cllr Sue McGoldrick Gerry Cox Community Warden
Cllr Malcolm Hutchings
Cllr Brian Groves
Derek White

Apologies:

County Council Brenda Simpson
County Councillor Roger Truelove
Cllr John White
Cllr Phil Hyde
Borough Cllr Ben Stokes

2. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the monthly Parish Council meeting held on 12th June 2007 were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate report. All members' presents agreed

3. Matters Arising from the minutes

3.1 Cllr Sue Dowling

The Chairman advised the members that Cllr Sue Dowling had recently married and requested that it be minuted that her name had changed to Sue McGoldrick. Members offered their best wishes to Cllr McGoldrick.

3.2 Village Park 106 Agreements dated January 2001 and February 2005

The Chairman reminded members at the last Parish Council meeting Borough Councillor Ben Stokes advised the Parish Council that the Village Park land between Church Mews and Woodpecker Drive would be handed over to Swale Borough Council by the end of June 2007. Chairman had spoken to the legal Department of Swale Borough Council who are awaiting documents from Wards Homes solicitors.

3.3 Grade 2 Listed Barn

Cllr Lisa Older gave a report from the working party on fundings and proposals for the grade 2 listed barn. From the findings of the working party it was agreed that Cllr Phil Fearn will arrange another meeting with the Village Hall Committee, Parochial Church Council and Parish Council Planning Committee to discuss the next steps to take.

Cllr Phil Fearn to action

3.4 Village Centre

Clerk advised Parish Council that the Coop had withdrawn their interest in the mini market.

Clerk advised Councillors that a letter had been sent to Swale Borough Council advising them of the Parish Councils concerns regarding advertising signs and installation of mechanical ventilation units at the village centre.

Swale Borough Council is sending their enforcement team to look into the Parish Councils concerns and will advise the Parish Council of the outcome in due course.

3.5 Adoption of roads in Iwade

Clerk still waiting for Kent County Council Highways to provide a list of all roads in Iwade and whether they have been adopted. Clerk to chase

Clerk still to action

3.6 School Lane Sewage Pipe

Clerk has written to the Environment Agency as stream drains into the SSSI Ramsar Marshes and requested they monitor the stream for sewage leakage

4 Planning

SW/07/0772AJS Case 22793 Loft conversion at 7 Wigeon Road, Iwade

No Objection

SW/07/0640 SER Case 00210 Road Sweeper Catch pit at Knauf Drywall, Ridham Dock, Iwade

Parish Council Object to any further development on this site due to the air pollution being produced by this company in form of the white dust. Until such time that Knauf take responsibility for the white dust particles that enter Iwade, Iwade Parish Council will not agree to any planning applications submitted by this Company

5. Business of the Council

5.1 Woodpecker Drive Play Area

Parish Council aware of the vandalism that took place in the children's play area located at Woodpecker Drive. Clerk to write letter to Graham Tuff advising him of the concerns the Parish Council had in the way Swale Borough Council dealt with the situation and asking why the park warden is not visiting daily as advised when play area was being proposed..

Parish Clerk to action

5.2 New Code of conduct

New Code of Conduct was handed out to members of the Parish Council. Parish Council has until the 1st October to adopt the New Model Code of Conduct.

Parish Clerk to action

5.3 Iwade Herons Football Club

Clerk received a response from Swale Borough Council Planning Department who advised the Parish Council that the shipping container would not be permitted on the recreation ground. Clerk to advise Iwade Herons of this outcome

Parish Clerk to action

5.4 Light outside number 10 Meadow Rise

Clerk advised that the light outside 10 Meadow Rise was still not working. Clerk to contact EDF Energy to see why this had not been fixed

Parish Clerk to action.

5.6 Additional Post Boxes

Parish Clerk written to the manager of the Local sorting officer at Sittingbourne to see what the current situation was regarding additional post boxes previously requested. No response to date.

Parish Clerk to action

5.7 Grovehurst Road Bus Shelter

No response from Ward Homes regarding lead time to bus shelter, but it had been noted that work on the new footpath for the Grovehurst development has been started and bus shelter may be part of this project. Clerk still to write to Wards to see when bus shelter is due

Parish Clerk to action

5.8 Meeting with Kent County Council Highways

Cllr Phil Fearn and Cllr Brian Groves reported that the meeting with Michael Sammut was actually a presentation. Mr Sammut gave the Councilors a power presentation of suggested changes to the traffic calming within Iwade as Swale Borough Council and Kent County Council had concerns.

Another consultation meeting will be arranged with the Parish Council, to finalise changes which should take place at the end of 2007. Kent County Council Highways already have money in place to do these changes.

6. Correspondence/ Notices

6.1 Letter received from resident requesting signed copies of the Parish Councils minutes since January 2007.

Parish Clerk to action

7. Finance

Sarah George	Clerk fee, June	Clerks Wages £658.14
Phil Fearn	Cllr Expenses	£11.95
Graham Chambers	Handyman fees for June	£250.50
Peter Wilks	Expenses, stationary and printing	£26.39

Meeting Closed 8.50pm

Next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 14th August 2007 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall