

Iwade Parish Council

Monthly Parish Council Meeting

Held on Tuesday 11th September 2007 at 7.30pm

Present:

Chairman Peter Wilks
Vice Chairman Phil Fearn Mrs Sarah George, Parish Clerk
Cllr John White
Cllr Derek White
Cllr Phil Hyde
Cllr Brian Groves

Apologies:

Cllr Lisa Older
Cllr Sue McGoldrick
Cllr Malcolm Hutchings
County Council Brenda Simpson
County Councillor Roger Truelove
Borough Cllr Ben Stokes
Gerry Cox Community Warden

2. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the monthly Parish Council meeting held on 14th August 2007 were signed by Cllr John White who had been acting Chairman at that meeting.

Chairman Peter Wilks thanked Cllr John White for stepping in and taking the August Parish Council meeting.

Matters arising from the minutes

3.1 Land promised to the village under section 106 agreements.

The Chairman confirmed that all Parish Councillors had received copies of his report giving details of developers 106 agreements with KCC and Swale Borough Council. The report listed each agreement giving dates and covenants covering the transfer of the village park land to Swale Borough Council

List of 106 agreements

1. 20.04.2000 Land at Pinks Corner between Swale B C, Hillreed Homes, C D Neame Ltd, E T Ledger & Son, and KCC
2. 13.10 2000 Land NW of School Lane Swale B C, Hillreed Homes, Ward Homes, KCC, Landowners, Fruit & Produce (Sittingbourne) Ltd [John Fowle], EJ Ledger and TC Ledger, JF Sillars & SA Sillars.
3. 12.01.2001 corner of Grovehurst Rd, Swale B C, Ward Homes, and KCC

4. 27.04.2001 Church Mews, between Swale B C, Ward Homes, and KCC
5. 03.02.2005 Grovehurst Rd, between Swale B C, Ward Homes, KCC, and Iwade Parish Council

In general terms all the Agreements pay money per house towards, Education, Village Hall, Transport, and Village Park

Village Park

Agreement numbers **1 & 2**. **Have a small scale Plan of the Village Park outlined in green** *'For Identification only'* it includes the cemetery land. The narrative says that there will be a proportionate contribution to the maintenance of the Village Park.

3. Plan 2, the whole area of the Village Park is shown edged red but again Page 8 states this is for identification purposes only. However, para. 8.1 states: The Developer covenants to transfer the part of the Village Park edged red on Plan No 2 to the Council...within 28 working days of the issue of permission [the Red area excludes the playarea)

4. Identifies the area bounded by the Church Mews houses and the stream, edged in green as Village Park. But states in the narrative that it is for identification only, however, in para 7: Developer covenants to pay maintenance.

5. Plan shows extra piece of VP land south and west of cemetery land. Para 6: The Developer covenants to transfer the Land within 9 months of occupation of 65th Dwelling (Grovehurst Development).

After the Chairman went through his report it was agreed that a letter from the Clerk would be sent to the Borough Solicitor, Mr Duncan Milne expressing the Parish Councils deep concern that the park area and other section 106's had not been handed over.

Chairman and Parish Clerk to action

3.2 Planning Application SW/06/1355 AJJ

Wards Homes submitted a preliminary Bat and Barn Owl survey. The Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council members had received his draft objection regarding the above planning application. The objection is due to the revised details of the Bat and Owl Survey of this area. The objection asked the Council to delay the planning permission until the local plan inspector reports his findings. The new Local Plan is expected at the end of the year. Members were in agreement.

3.3 Grade 2 listed Barn Meeting

Parish Councillors had been unable to attend this meeting and it was agreed by the Village Hall Committee and Parochial Church to wait until the outcome of the planning application of the land north of the church.

3.4 Wireless CCTV presentation on 20th August

Parish Councillors were unable to attend this meeting. No update available.

3.5 Village Centre

Clerk advised Councillors, that retrospective planning applications had been submitted to Swale Borough Council.

4 Planning

SW/07/0884 AJS Case 10469 Retrospective application to covert garage and application for first floor side extension

Going to Swale Borough Council Planning Committee of the Council on 13th September 2007

SW/07/0952 AJS Case 27765 Rear conservatory at 5 Turnstone Close, Iwade

No Objection

Land Registry Requests

Parish Council requested the clerk to contact the land registry to see who owns the strip of land by 18 Woodpecker Drive and road between the School and village centre.

Parish Clerk to action

5. Business of the Council

5.1 Additional Post Boxes

No response to date.

Parish Clerk to action

5.2 Gate Entrance by Medical Centre

Reported in previous minutes, smashed by unknown vehicle. Swale Borough Council collected the gate and 30mph sign and Clerk informed that a new gate was on order. Clerk to chase as Parish Council want gate replaced as soon as possible.

Parish Clerk to action

5.3 Adoption of roads in Iwade

It was brought to the attention of the Parish Council that the following roads in Iwade are not adopted by Swale Borough Council.

Woodpecker Drive, Turnstone Close, Sanderling Way, Mallard Crescent, Dunlin Walk, Widgeon Road, Cormorant Road, Sandpiper Lane, Shelduck Close, Avocet Walk, Stangate Drive, Rookery View, Elm Tree Avenue, Shooters Chase, Top of School Lane, Chetney View, Sharfleet Crescent, Upper Fans Lane, The Saltings, Monins Road, Alefe Way, Colson Drive and Mansfield Road.

5.4 Report of panel on SE Plan

Examination in Public took place in November 2006 to March 2007 – Report now issued which showed a modest increase in Swale Housing

5.5 KCC Annual Plan

This is a Government requirement and the Chairman showed the Councillors the literature and offered the Councilors an opportunity to read this if they show wished.

5.6 Village of the Year Competition

CLlr Derek White advised the Parish Council that Iwade had been again entered into the Village of the Year, by the team lead by Amanda Hurrell. The results were excellent and a credit to these dedicated individuals who showed dedication to the village which was nice to see. It was agreed by all Councilors that a letter of thanks and congratulations be sent to the Amanda and her team.

Parish Clerk to action

6. Correspondence/ Notices

Chairman received a letter from a concerned resident regarding Councilors qualifications. It was agreed by the Council that the Chairman would deal with this and response to the resident

Chairman to action.

7. Finance

Sarah George	Clerk fee, August	Clerks Wages £520.00
Office Technical Solutions	Photocopier costs	£41.18
Graham Chambers	Handyman fees for August	£224.00
Peter Wilks	Chairman's Expenses	£20.00

These were proposed by Chairman Peter Wilkes and seconded by Cllr Brian Groves

The Parish Clerk advised the Parish Council that the internal auditor had died. Mr Don Branch had been auditing the Parish Councils accounts for over 5 years, and had provided much support to the Parish Clerk during the auditing period. It was agreed that under the Chairman's allowance and the Local Government Act 1972 sec 137, the Clerk to arrange an appropriate floral tribute.

Meeting Closed 9.40pm

Next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th November 2007 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall