

Iwade Parish Council

Monthly Parish Council Meeting

Held on Tuesday 8th July 2008 at 7.30pm

Present:

Chairman Phil Fearn	Mrs Sarah George, Parish Clerk
Vice Chairman Brian Groves	Dave Davey Community Warden
Cllr John White	1 Resident
Cllr Phil Hyde	
Cllr David Manning	
Cllr Amanda Hurrell	
Cllr Peter Wilks	

Apologies

Cllr Lisa Older
Cllr Derek White
Borough Cllr Ben Stokes
County Councillor Brenda Simpson
County Councillor Roger Truelove
Gordon Henderson

2. Confirmation of Minutes

Alterations from the last minutes of 10th June 2008 were as follows:

4.2 should read: parish Council object to or any further development at Knauf until gypsum dust entering the village and surrounding areas is addressed. No further development should be encouraged.

4.1 should read Meeting was 20th June 2008 at 11.30 and was attended by Brian Groves (not David Manning).

The minutes of the monthly Parish Council meeting held on 10th June 2008 were signed by the Chairman Phil Fearn. These were proposed by Chairman Phil Fearn and seconded by Cllr Brian Groves, all members were in agreement.

Matters arising from the minutes

3.1 Additional Letter Boxes in the Village

Clerk still chasing.

3.2 Traffic Gate Entrance by Medical Centre

Clerk has spoken to Andrew Rouke of Kent County Council. Gate has been mislaid and does not have the budget to purchase a new one. Mr Rouke trying to

get in contact with Mick Webb of Kent County Council Landscape Services to see if they can assist.

Parish Clerk to action

3.3 Overhanging trees in School Lane

Clerk has reported over hanging trees to Kent County Council Highways. Call Reference number is 16202967.

3.4 Litter bins in village centre

Clerk has contacted village centre Management Company about litter bins not being emptied in village centre.

3.5 South West Expansion of Iwade (Policy AAP9) Workshop Meeting

Cllr Phil Fearn, Brian Groves attended the meeting, also present at the meeting were representatives of Swale Borough Planning Department, Representatives of Kent County Council Highways, Representatives of Swale Borough Council open spaces.

Environment Agency, Southern Water and Kent County Council did not attend.

Chairman Phil Fearn briefed the council and advised on draft plans, Allotments were no shown. Tony Hillier had spoken to Ted Ledge and Parish Council had been advised that land had been negotiated for possible allotments.

Points of Concern for the Parish Council were: a) footpaths/ cycle paths through to Springvale and Meadow Rise could lead to increase in low level and nuisance crime. These footpaths have been tried before at Kemsley and Milton Regis and had to be closed up due to the friction and trouble they caused. Parish Council asked what happened to secure by design. B) Has the recreation ground been reduced in size? C) Are the Environment Agency happy that the risk of flooding around the Springvale Culvert has been dealt with? Residents are still throwing rubbish into the stream. D) Where will surface water be drained to as land is unsuitable for soak away? E) Parish Council asked Hillreed to clarify type/ class of employment envisage in employment area – was advised B1/B2.

After a general discussion the Parish Council agreed that once firm plans/ application was produced a public presentation meeting for the village should be arranged

3.6 Saxon view Update

Parish Councils view with Barratt Homes work is still unacceptable slow. Borough Councillor Ben Stokes and County Councillor Roger Truelove are also in negotiations with Barratts to see if development/ landscaping of site can be reinstated.

Clerk to contact Barratt Homes to see if process can be speeded up.

Parish Clerk to action

3.7 Land North of the Church regarding section 106 requests

Cllrs Wilks and Fearn attend a meeting on 28th May 2008 at Swale Borough Council with Andy Jeffers. Parish Council were advised that the Parish Council did not need to sign the 106 and Swale Borough Council would negotiate on the Parish Councils behalf.

Future meeting regarding the Parish cemetery to be arranged, Cllr Wilks awaiting dates from Swale Borough Council

Cllr Wilks to action

Development West of The Street is still waiting for the report from Natural England. No license has been issued yet,

3.8 PACT Meeting Update

Chairman Phil Fearn attended the meeting which was held on 2nd July from 7pm to 9pm at Iwade Primary School. Cllr Fearn reported it was a poor turn out by residents of Iwade as only 6 residents supported this event.

Litter and Dog Fouling, Speeding and reckless driving and poor bus services was on the agenda.

3.9 Parking Problem at the entrance of Sheerstone

It was agreed that the clerk would contact the enforcement team and to see if parking restrictions can be implemented.

Parish Clerk to action

Visitors Time

Community Warden Update

Community warden reported that he had dealt with, been involved or carried out the following in the Parish Area of Iwade since the last Parish Council meeting.

- 1 Reported the following problems to KCC Highways Department.
Overgrowing Hedges in School Lane, corner of Kingfisher Close and Grovehurst Road. Street sign and lamp post at the corner of Cormorant both items lying on the floor, Road Bollards at the end of Old Ferry Road Lying on the ground
- 2 Reported Fly Tipping in the areas of Old Ferry Road, Sheppey Way, School Lane and Stickfast Lane
- 3 Made a number of reassurance house visits. Mainly older people. Assisted two children locked out of their home

- 4 Regular visits to nurseries, problems areas and the local School
- 5 Spoke to groups off young people: re Anti Social Behaviour and drinking at football fields
- 6 Delivered PACT Notices for Police
- 7 Attended Kent Schools Games at Canterbury University
- 8 Carried out two talks with Beavers/ Cubs about Stranger Danger.
- 9 Dealt with three dog issues. One lost, two dog fouling and one biting issue
- 10 Attended PACT meeting at the School
- 11 Issued a number of house watch forms for the holiday period
- 12 Carried out evening and weekend walk about in the area
- 13 Reported possible abandon vehicle.

4 Planning

4.1 Speedway – Planning Application SW/07/0906 (Case 2712) Proposal to run a maximum of 14 public/league speedway events each year between 1st April and 31st October on the main track – Marshbank Speedway Stadium, the Old Gun Site, Old Ferry Road, Iwade

This application has been given a 3 year temporary permission.

4.2 The Iwade parish Council object to any further development at Knauf site until Knauf address the problem of gypsum dust, from the site, falling on Iwade and the surrounding area.

5. Business of the Council

5.1 Swale Borough Local Plan 2008

Swale Borough Council notified the Parish Council that the final version of the Swale Borough Local plan is now available. The Plan was adopted on 20th February 2008, policies and proposals in the plan will be used to guide development and determine planning applications in the Borough until the Swale Borough Local Plan 2008 is superseded by the Local Development Framework.

5.2 Iwade Herons Football Club

Cllr Phil Fearn reported to the Council that the Clerk and himself attended a presentation evening at the School Hall and the Parish Council has been presented with the Chairman's Award for their support to the Iwade Herons for the past 5 years.

6. Correspondence/ Notices

6.1 Iwade School

Iwade School PTA approached the Parish Council and asked if the Council would be willing to help fund a reception garden with funds from the subsidiarity grant.

It was proposed by Cllr Amanda Hurrell and seconded by Cllr Peter Wilks that the sum of £1000 would be donated toward this project

7. Finance

Sarah George	Clerk fee, phone/ fax, stationary for June	£674.41
Phil Hyde	Councillor Expenses for village clean up day	84.47
Graham Chambers	Handyman fees for June	£287.28
Phil Fearn	Chairman's Expenses	£25.64
Office Technical Solutions	Parish Photocopier and printing	£36.21
Allianz Cornhill	Parish Insurance for 2008/09	£1063.47
EDF Energy	Street lighting maintenance	£52.84

Under the Local Government Act 1972, (Sch 2) the signing of the cheques were proposed by Cllr Phil Hyde and seconded by Cllr David Manning. All Councillors present were in agreement.

Meeting Closed 9.45pm

Next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th August 2008 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall