

## ILTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Ilton Parish Council held in Merryfield Hall on Tuesday 8th January 2019

#### 2019/01 Attendance and Apologies

##### Those present:

Mr D Amor (Chair)  
Mr I Sherwood (Vice Chair)  
Mrs M Bullock  
Mrs R Burt  
Mrs S Hill  
Mrs P Matravers  
Mr I Welch  
Mrs S Morley (Clerk)

##### Apologies

Mrs S Steele (District Councillor)  
Mr A Dance (County Councillor)

##### In Attendance

Mrs Jan Easterbrook  
Mr George Fox

#### 2019/02 Public Voice

Two members of the public who are interested in becoming parish councillors attended the meeting.

#### 2019/03 Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 11th December 2018

The minutes of the last Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council were agreed and signed.

#### 2019/04 Matters arising from the minutes and any subsequent action taken

There were no separate matters arising.

**2019/05 Parish Council Vacancies** - Two residents are interested in the vacancies. Both residents fulfil the qualifications to become councillors and can be co-opted at the next meeting if they still wish to do so. Councillors were reminded that there is an election this May.

#### 2019/06 Highways

- (a) Speeding on Cad Road - Mrs Burt is waiting for the Police to come back with figures of the numbers of motorists exceeding the speed limit.
- (b) Speeding on Main Street - It was noted that a number of users of the Business Park regularly exceed the speed limit.
- (c) Diversions - Notification of a number of diversions has been received. There are none in Ilton Parish and none that are likely to affect local residents.
- (d) Missing Village Hall Sign - The sign at the turning into Copse Lane has fallen off and the sign for the Church is pointing the wrong way. This has been reported to Highways who will collect the sign from the house owner where it is being store and re-attach it.
- (e) Pothole in Main Street - This was reported on-line and has been marked for repair. There is another outside the Village Hall. Mrs Bullock to report it.

**ACTION - Mrs Bullock**

#### 2019/07 Brook Green

Brook Green is looking nice.

#### 2019/08 Footpaths

The footpath diversion has been completed. There are now 3 new metal gates and everything is looking very good.

#### 2019/09 Cemetery / Churchyard

- (a) Inspections - Councillors have regularly walked around the Cemetery and Churchyard and no problems have been recorded.

- (b) Church - Contractors have put in water and toilets at the Church. Neighbouring residents were not informed of the work which caused some disruption with lorries and obstruction. The Churchwarden contacted the residents to apologise for the lack of communication.

#### **2019/10 Recreation Ground Play Park**

- (a) Inspection Reports - Nothing new or urgent.
- (b) Removal of willow and bamboo - The Ranger has not been for a while, due to the Christmas holidays. He will remove the willows and bamboo during his next visit.  
**ACTION - Mr Sherwood**
- (c) Somerset Playing Fields Association - operate a loan scheme of up to £10,000 to help with new equipment or improvements.

#### **2019/11 Recreational Development / Playing Field**

- (a) Football Pitch - We are waiting for quotes from two providers plus contact from SSDC.
- (b) Allotment Gardens - nothing to report. The agreement is being drafted.
- (c) Goals - The claim form for the grant has been completed and will be submitted.  
**ACTION - Mr Welch**
- (d) Motorised Bike - A small motor bike was used on the field during the Christmas holidays. Councillors agreed to put up a new sign - "No Motorised Vehicles".  
**ACTION - The Clerk**
- (e) Notice Board - An aluminium notice board has been ordered, with powder coated legs and frame in dark blue and the inside board in blue. The cost is £466 + VAT complete. The lead time is 10 - 15 working days. Payment needs to be made in advance. Delivery address to Mr Sherwood.  
**ACTION - The Clerk**

#### **2019/12 General Maintenance**

Ranger - He has not been for a few weeks due to the Christmas holidays.

#### **2019/13 Planning Applications**

App No 18/03853/S73  
Proposal Vary condition relating to area allocated for parking etc.  
Location Land South of Ilton Business Park.

Ilton Parish Council considered the above planning application and have no objections to the proposal.

App No 18/03962/LBC and 18/03961/FUL  
Proposal Conversion of a barn into two residential dwellings with associated parking etc  
Location Drakes Farm, Ilton, TA19 9EY

Interest Declared - Mrs Matravers declared an interested in this application and left the room while the application was discussed.

Ilton Parish Council considered the above planning application and have no objections to the development proposal. Councillors expressed some concern about the conversion of agricultural buildings for non-agricultural use and asked whether the agricultural tie will apply to this conversion.

#### **2019/14 Tree Planting in Village**

A resident has been given five trees by the Queens Commonwealth Forestry Commission for the village. They are rowan, hazel and silver birch. Councillors agreed that the best place for them would be on the allotment side of the bund near the container. **ACTION - The Clerk**

**2019/15 Correspondence**

- (a) Police Report - There were 164 investigated crime reported for the month of December 2018 with 37 arrests and 23 reports of ASB for Area North.
- (b) Clerks and Councils Direct.
- (c) Police and Crime Commissioner Newsletter.

**2019/16 Accounts payments and receipts**

- (a) Received - A.J. Wakely & Sons - £190.00 interment, Barry Gibb - £190.00 interment, Western Power Distribution - £24.69 Wayleave.
- (b) Balances as at 28/12/2018 - Treasurers Account = £52,712.77 / 30 day account = £2,782.22
- (c) The following cheques were raised:
  - 001084 - £ 559.20 - Displays for Education, notice board
  - 001085 - £ 60.48 - Eagle Plant, December container hiring
  - 001086 - £ 316.17 - S Morley - Salary and Administration December

**2019/17 Matters and items to report**

The Clerk reported that the residents who organised the defibrillator appeal have now left the village although they are continuing to send reports to South West Ambulance Trust. The Clerk to contact them and find out their long term plans. **ACTION - The Clerk**

**2019/18 Next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council**

The next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 12th February 2019 at 7.30 p.m. at Merryfield Hall

The meeting finished at 8.40 p.m.

Dave Amor - Chairman