

ILTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Ilton Parish Council held in Merryfield Hall on Tuesday 8th July 2014

2014/110 Attendance and Apologies

Those present:	Apologies	In Attendance
Mr D Amor (Chair)	Mrs P Matravers	MB
Mr L Hart (Vice Chair)	Mr I Sherwood	JB
Mrs K Board		
Mrs R Burt		
Mr G Mackenzie-Green		
Mr D Mico		
Mr L Trahar		
Mr C Le Hardy (County Councillor)		
Mrs S Steele (District Councillor)		
Mrs S Morley (Clerk)		

2014/111 Report from Ilton County Councillor

Speed of traffic along Cad Road - Ilton County Councillor and the Parish Council Highways' Officer met with Highways on 19th June to discuss lowering the speed limit along Cad Road. Highways advised residents to re-apply for a 40 mph speed limit. Ilton County Councillor will write to the Police Commissioner and the Police Superintendent. Highways will support an application. The Police at Portishead had blocked the previous application but things have changed and hopefully a new application will succeed. There is nothing for the Parish Council to do at the present time.

Stroke Services - A plan to centralise stroke services at Musgrove was considered but it was decided that this is not applicable to a rural area. Yeovil and other facilities will stay open and will be kept under review.

Road signs - Many are covered by growth and cannot be seen. This has been reported but the work has not been done. Ilton County Councillor will follow this up.

A303 Exhibition - A public exhibition to show plans for upgrading the A303 from Ilminster is being run by Devon and supported by Somerset. It will visit The Shrubbery Hotel in Ilminster on 15th July 3 - 8 p.m. and The Guildhall in Chard on 17th July 3 - 8 p.m.

Fostering - Somerset County Council is looking for more foster carers.

Ilton County Councillor left the meeting at 8 p.m.

2014/112 Visitors and Public Voice

Wadhams Almshouses

In 1994 the Parish Council donated two wooden benches to the Almshouses. The benches are well used by residents but have now reached the point when they can no longer be repaired. The trustees of the Almshouses would like to ask the Parish Council if they will make a grant to replace the benches. Councillors asked MB to obtain quotes for new benches and email the quote to the Clerk.

Crosskeys development

The Parish Council said there has been no decision yet on this planning application which is likely to go to appeal if it is refused.

Website for Ilton History

A village website is being set up which will cover the history of Ilton. The Church and Village Hall will join the website. The Parish Council was asked if it would like to be part of the site. Up to 4 people can have access. No decision was made because Councillors wished to discuss this further.

The Cricket Club have a new website.

Ilton Talking Newsletter

There are very few contributions to the Newsletter with the exception of JB. The school previously used to contribute and this needs to be followed up. The Village Hall intend to circulate a questionnaire to see how people want information. Leaflets are very expensive to print. The Chairman said he will continue editing Ilton Talking and will include anything people would like. There is a new toddler group starting.

2014/113 Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 10th June 2014

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

2014/114 Matters arising from the minutes and any subsequent action taken or to be taken

No matters not dealt with under separate agenda items.

2014/115 Highways

- (a) Closure of Ilminster Road at The Beacon - Highways are waiting for the road to stabilise which will take time. Exploratory work is taking place. It is hoped there will be a plan within a few weeks.
- (b) Speed of traffic along Cad Road - See minute 2014/111 above.
- (c) SID results - These were sent to the Police again who have asked the Camera Partnership to pay a visit to Ilton.
- (d) Location of SID - Secondary SID readings were carried out at the junction of Penny's Mead during the week of 14th April 2014 which gave a median speed of 28 mph and an 85% percentile of 34 mph. The speeds do not meet the qualification so this location will not be included in the SID programme.

2014/116 Brook Green

Grass Cutting

SSDC were contacted about the standard of grass cutting. The supervisor has been ill. The grass has now been well cut and strimmed. This is the third cut of the year (one in May and one before May). The standing stone pillar which was knocked over in May is still down.

ACTION - The Clerk

Bug Farm

The £350 for the bug farm was passed to the Brook Green Officer to give to the organiser of the bug farm who will let the Parish Council have receipts for the expenditure.

ACTION - Brook Green Officer

2014/117 Footpaths

The Rights of Way team have been informed about two styles which need repair. There is nothing else to report.

2014/118 Cemetery / Churchyard

- (a) Cemetery Bench by the entrance - the rotted slats have been replaced.
- (b) Cemetery Bench by the fence - this is in need of some repair work. It is a memorial bench provided by a parishioner. The Brook Green/Footpaths Officer will inform her that he will remove the bench to sand and re-stain it. **ACTION - Brook Green Officer**
- (c) Cemetery Litter Bin - this was not replaced properly when it was emptied. The Clerk to contact SSDC. **ACTION - The Clerk**

2014/119 Recreation Ground

- (a) Inspection Reports - SSDC apologised for the errors in the inspection reports and sent corrected copies.
- (b) Upgrading the recreation ground - The Recreation Ground Officer has requested a meeting with SSDC to discuss the work at the Recreation Ground. Councillors agreed to go ahead with the football area in the new playing field area.

2014/120 Recreational Development / Playing Field

The planning application for change of use has been approved for 2 years. The lease from the Warren Trust has been received for a cost of £1. Councillors had no objections to the lease which was signed on behalf of Ilton Parish Council by Vice Chairman Mr Lee Hart. A copy was passed to the Clerk for safe keeping.

A site meeting will be arranged with PR of the Warren Trust and the Parish Council's contractor to discuss fencing. Enquiries will be made regarding white lining.

The drawings for the proposed housing are almost complete and a further meeting may be called and a meeting with the Steering Group arranged.

SSDC have suggested having some picnic benches. It was agreed not at the moment but to consider it at a later date.

Coaching was discussed and it was suggested that this could be paid for immediately when the pitch opens to get things moving. There are people available in the village.

2014/121 Planning Applications

App No: 14/02006/LBC
Proposal: Replacement and repair to windows on all elevations including change to paint colour
Location: Wayside Cottage, Frost Lane, Ilton

Councillors considered the above application and had no objections to the proposal.

App No 14/01834/FUL
Proposal: Change of use of land from agricultural to recreational
Location: Land OS8349, Copse Lane, Ilton

Application approved subject to conditions.

App No: 14/01977/FUL
Proposal: First floor en-suite extension
Location: Frost House, Frost Lane, Ilton

Application approved subject to conditions.

App No: 14/01825/LBC
Proposal: Demolition of existing single storey lean-to extension and erection of a two storey extension
Location: Ye Olde Well Cottage, Cad Road, Ilton

Application approved subject to conditions.

App No: 14/01824/LBC
Proposal: Demolition of existing single storey lean-to extension and erection of a two storey extension
Location: Ye Olde Well Cottage, Cad Road, Ilton

Application approved subject to conditions.

2014/122 Planters

The concrete planter has been filled with soil and plants. It looks very nice and the Councillor responsible was thanked for the work. The grass in the area has been strimmed. It was suggested that a sign could be placed by the planter or stencilled on it. Wording such as "Ilton 2014" was suggested. The Councillor responsible for the planter will make inquiries about signs and will also water the planter for the time being. **ACTION - Highways Officer**

It was agreed that once the lettering has been done the local business who agreed to make a grant should be contacted and a notice put in the local paper. The other local business should be contacted immediately because they will see the planter on their way to work.

ACTION - The Clerk

2014/123 Correspondence

- (a) St Margarets Hospice Time for Tea publicity
- (b) Clerks and Councils Direct

2014/124 Accounts

- (a) Balance as at 30/6/2014 for Treasurers Account = £14,270.32 / 30 Day Account bank statement had not been received at the time of the meeting.
- (b) The following cheques are to be drawn:

000790	- £120.00	- Grant Thornton - audit
000791	- £ 5.00	- Admin expenses
000792	- £146.78	- Salary (July)
000793	- £146.78	- Salary (August)
000794	- £350.00	- Brook Green Grant (from SCC)
000795	- £ 56.00	- R Burt - plants for planter
000796	- £ 1.00	- A H Warren Trust Ltd - lease of playing field

2014/125 Matters and items to report

- (a) New PCSO - It was reported that there is a new PCSO responsible for Ilton.
- (b) Public Transport Website - This is being developed by a Councillor. Copies of the type of pages which could be expected were distributed. There will be a parish page and other parishes (not Ilton) will be asked for funding. All Councillors agreed to support the idea and agreed that the words "supported by Ilton Parish Council" could be included on the website. Updated pages will be emailed to Councillors for comment.
- (c) Bus Shelter - SSDC have cleared up the mess inside the shelter. The Youth Club Officer will continue to keep it tidy.
- (d) Dog Bins - It was reported that these are smelling but it was thought it is due to the warm weather. If they have not been emptied SSDC need to be informed.
- (e) Pathway through the Church to Frost Lane - This is very overgrown. SCC should do it because it is a footpath. The Footpaths Officer will trim it.

ACTION - Footpaths Officer

- (f) Market Towns - an SSDC Market Towns app can be downloaded.

2014/126 Next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council

The next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 9th September 2014
7.30 p.m. at Merryfield Hall

The meeting finished at 9.45 p.m.

David Amor - Chairman