

## ILTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Ilton Parish Council held in Merryfield Hall on Tuesday 9th December 2014

#### 2014/179 Attendance and Apologies

Those present:	Apologies	In Attendance
Mr D Amor (Chair)	Mr G Mackenzie-Green	1 member of the public
Mr L Hart (Vice Chair)	Mr C Le Hardy (County Councillor)	
Mrs K Board	Ms L Souster	
Mrs R Burt	PCSO Elaine Cave	
Mrs P Matravers		
Mr D Mico		
Mr I Sherwood		
Mr L Trahar		
Mrs S Steele (District Councillor)		
Mrs S Morley (Clerk)		

#### 2014/180 Public Voice

##### Copse Lane

The resident concerned about traffic in Copse Lane asked about the response by Highways to a request for a one-way system. The Clerk replied that she had contacted the PCSO about parking but not Highways about a one-way system. The Clerk was asked to email Highways to enquire about the idea of a one-way system in Copse Lane. **ACTION - The Clerk**

#### 2014/181 Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 11th November 2014

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

#### 2014/182 Matters arising from the minutes and any subsequent action taken or to be taken

Minute 2014/174(c) - Green Acre - The email from the Police was forwarded to the Environmental Health team at SSDC who will visit the property. If it is in a dangerous condition, details will be forward to Building Control who have powers to board up properties which are a danger to the public.

Minute 2014/177(d) - Request to start meetings later - A letter was sent to the village hall committee to say that Councillors have considered the request to start their meetings later but feel that it is not acceptable for meetings to finish later than at present.

#### 2014/183 Highways

- (a) SID Installation - The dates for 2015 are the weeks commencing 30th March and 9th November.
- (b) Beacon Hill - The road from Ilminster is to be opened by next week.
- (c) Dualling A303 - A meeting has been arranged to discuss the plans for the A303. Councillors felt that it is too early to discuss plans which are not fixed yet.

**2014/184 Brook Green**

(a) Dog Bin - The unemptied dog bin was reported again to Streetscene. The District Councillor will check to see if it has been emptied. **ACTION - District Councillor**

(b) Bridge - Mole Valley sell railway sleepers for approximately £20 and it was agreed to buy one to repair the bridge. **ACTION - Vice Chairman**

**2014/185 Footpaths**

There was nothing to report.

**2014/186 Cemetery / Churchyard**

(a) Brambles and hedge cuttings

The cuttings had not been removed. The Clerk to remind the SSDC contractors.

**ACTION - The Clerk**

(b) Conifers

Two Councillors will remove the conifers. They will hire a chipper for the brush etc.

**ACTION - Vice Chairman and Brook Green Officer**

**2014/187 Recreation Ground**

(a) Inspection Reports

These highlight a broken angle iron holding the lid of the bin. It was agreed to order new bins once the installation work has been finished. In the meantime Recreation Field Officer (IS) will see if it can be repaired. **ACTION - Recreation Field Officer (IS) / The Clerk**

(b) Annual Inspection Report

The goal posts are still flagged as a problem. These are shortly to be removed and replaced in the new field. Report passed to the Vice Chairman.

(c) Insurance

The Clerk will arrange to include the new equipment on the insurance policy immediately.

**ACTION - The Clerk**

(d) New equipment

Fitting of the new equipment is ongoing. The tower system, seesaw and nest swing should be completed by tomorrow. The cable way and mega swing by next week. The installers have offered to move the goal posts over. One invoice has been received and application made to SSDC for part of the grant allocation.

(e) Next stage

Discussions are ongoing with SSDC about bringing forward the next stage. The last things will be the benches and bins.

(f) Entrances / gates

Discussions are being held with Yarlington regarding the pathway by Penny's Mead. The residents would like to incorporate this into extra garden but there is no agreement about who will pay for extending the fence. Councillors agreed that the Parish Council would not object to closing this pathway as there are already three other entrances.

## **2014/188      Recreational Development / Playing Field**

A meeting of the Steering Group has been arranged for Thursday evening. The planning application process is proceeding and Councillors thought that phased development of the playing field could be suggested as part of the conditions of planning approval. There are a few wildlife studies and a flood assessment to do. The access issue has to be clarified.

30 more rails are required to finish fencing the new temporary football pitch. A local farmer will provide some soil to level the ground and fill in the holes.

The invoice from the contractor originally asked to do the fencing has been received. The work was never finished and the invoice was for a much larger amount than originally quoted and included some materials, including gates. After discussion it was agreed to send a cheque for £660 being £350 for labour and £310 for materials.

## **2014/189      Planning Applications**

- (a)    App No        14/05195/S73  
      Description    Section 73 to vary condition 4 (materials)  
      Location       Land Adjacent to Drakes Farm, Church Road, Ilton

Councillors had no objections to the proposal.

- (b)    App No        14/04572/FUL  
      Description    Change of use from D1 non-residential to B1 business  
      Location       Merryhays House, Ilton Business Park

The above application has been approved with conditions.

- (c)    App No        14/04450/FUL  
      Description    Erection of part single storey, part 2 storey extension & double garage  
      Location       Cross Keys Cottage, Cad Green, Ilton

The above application has been approved with conditions.

## **2014/190      Planters**

The re-planting is in hand. Some of the bulbs from SSDC will be used in the planter and the rest used around the village and at the School.

**ACTION - Highways Officer and School Liaison Officer**

## **2014/191      Correspondence**

- (a)    Christmas wishes from the Police.
- (b)    South Somerset Citizens Advice Bureau with their Annual Report and a request for a donation. Councillors agreed to make a donation of £75 which is the same as last year.

## **2014/192      Precept**

This will be set in January when the tax base figures have been received from SSDC.

**ACTION - Agenda Item January**

## **2014/193      Accounts**

- (a)    £38,000 was transferred from the 30 Day Account to the Treasurers Account.

- (b) Balances at bank as at 30/11/14 - Treasurers Account = £49,948.29 / 30 Day Account = £596.41
- (c) The following cheques are to be drawn:
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| 000812 | - £ 100.20    | - HMRC - PAYE  |
| 000813 | - £ 144.00    | - Learys SW - wood for Cemetery bench repair         |
| 000814 | - £ 94.20     | - SSDC - Annual Playground inspection                |
| 000815 | - £ 26,471.34 | - Hags-Smp - Playground equipment                    |
| 000816 | - £ 46.56     | - Admin Expenses                                     |
| 000817 | - £ 146.78    | - Salary   |
| 000818 | - £ 660.00    | - PH Services - fencing new football pitch           |
| 000819 | - £ 50.00     | - J Spiller, North Bradon Farm - tractor banger loan |
| 000820 | - £ 13.60     | - G Burt - fuel to collect salt                      |
| 000821 | - £ 75.00     | - SSCAB - donation                                   |

#### **2014/194 Matters and items to report**

- (a) The School did not get a visit from Santa this year because they did not receive an email from Yeovilton and did not apply for a visit.
- (b) Somerset Rivers Authority has been set up with funding from a number of organisations. There are a number of pumps available.
- (c) Parish Council minutes could be displayed on the old notice board. It was agreed that the Chairman will liaise with the Website Officer and the Clerk so that they can be included on the Ilton Talking website because the legal requirement is that they must be displayed electronically.
- (d) There will be carols at the Church on Sunday 21st December at 4 p.m.

#### **2014/195 Next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council**

Date of the next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 13th January 2015 at Merryfield Hall at 7.30 p.m

The meeting finished at 9.35 p.m.

Dave Amor (Chairman)