

## ILTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Ilton Parish Council held in Merryfield Hall on Tuesday 11th December 2018

#### 2018/201 Attendance and Apologies

Those present:	Apologies	In Attendance
Mr D Amor (Chair)	Mrs M Bullock	
Mr I Sherwood (Vice Chair)	Mrs S Hill	
Mrs R Burt	Mr A Dance (County Councillor)	
Mrs P Matravers		
Mr I Welch		
Mrs S Steele (District Councillor)		
Mrs S Morley (Clerk)		

#### 2018/202 Public Voice

There were no members of the public in attendance.

#### 2018/203 Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 13th November 2018

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

#### 2018/204 Matters arising from the minutes and any subsequent action taken

There were no separate matters arising.

#### 2018/205 Parish Council Vacancies - Two vacancies remain.

#### 2018/206 Highways

- (a) Cad Road Speeding - Mrs Burt to request information from the Police of the number of people prosecuted for speeding along Cad Road. A Policeman comes regularly, about every 3 weeks at varying times of the day, and stays for about an hour each time. **ACTION - Mrs Burt**
- (b) Purchase of a SID - Several options have been received for various types of SID. These all work out at around £5k to £6k for a device. Some local villages have bought a SID device to be shared. Councillors decided they do not wish to pursue the purchase of a SID at this time.
- (c) Highways England - the A358 - A newsletter for the A358 Taunton to Southfields dualling scheme has been received with notice of a change in the programme due to engineering complexity and the need for an affordable solution. An announcement on the preferred route should be made in spring 2019. A new Community Liaison Forum for the scheme is planned in early in 2019.
- (d) Grit Bins - Highways have clarified that they will top up grit bins but will not be supplying free grit for parishes and towns. A list of their charges for grit has been received.

#### 2018/207 Brook Green

The repairs to the bridge have been finished. Brook Green is looking nice.

#### 2018/208 Footpaths

A Parish Paths Consultation is being undertaken with a spreadsheet of the local parish paths to be completed with details of path categories and the vegetation clearance schedule, if any. At the moment we do not have any volunteers regularly walking the paths. The email to be forwarded to the Chairman. **ACTION - The Chairman**

#### 2018/209 Cemetery / Churchyard

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

- (b) Approval for a new inscription - Councillors approved a request for a new inscription to an existing headstone. **ACTION - The Clerk**
- (c) Cemetery Fees - These are currently still in line with Ilminster's which have not been raised since April 2017. Councillors agreed that the fees should be raised in line with Ilminster when that happens. **ACTION - The Clerk**

**2018/210 Recreation Ground Play Park**

- (a) Inspection Reports - Nothing new or urgent.
- (b) Skate Ramp (welding) - This has now been completed.
- (c) Skate Ramp (edges) - This has now been completed and both invoices received.
- (d) Plantings - The Ranger to remove the willows and bamboo during his next visit. **ACTION - Mr Sherwood**

**2018/211 Recreational Development / Playing Field**

- (a) Football Pitch - Mr Sherwood and the Clerk met with a contractor and a quote is expected shortly. They have recommended putting in proper drainage. This will be much more expensive but should be covered by some of the 106 money SSDC are holding which can only be used for a football pitch.
- (b) Goals - The new goals have been received. Part of the cost is covered by a grant from the Football Foundation. Mr Welch will arrange the payment of the grant. The goals have been erected but the nets have been left in the container. **ACTION - Mr Welch**
- (c) Allotment Gardens - No progress yet due to the weather.
- (d) Perimeter Path - Nothing to report at the moment.
- (e) Signs - Signs have been made for the MUGA, the ditches and the car park. Mr Mico Snr has been asked to put them up.
- (f) Notice Board - The secondhand notice board is not water proof. It was agreed to set it up inside the bus shelter and to remain unlocked so that it can be used by the community. The Clerk has details of a notice board which another local parish bought from Display for Education. Their website currently lists a metal notice board for £466 complete with posts. Councillors felt that a metal one would look better near the MUGA and agreed to order this. **ACTION - Mr Sherwood / The Clerk**

**2018/212 General Maintenance**

Ranger - Mr Sherwood reported that he is doing a very good job and there are still plenty of jobs left for him to do..

**2018/213 Planning Applications**

App No 18/03503/LBC  
 Proposal Alterations to boundary wall by the formation of new vehicular access etc.  
 Location Land at Furzeley Farm, Main Street, Ilton,

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

App No 18/03290/FUL  
 Proposal Erection of extension and alterations to existing Cricket Clubhouse  
 Location Ilton Cricket Club, Copse Lane, Ilton

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

The radio mast at Cottage Corner is being lowered when not in use.

## **2018/214 Tree Planting in Village**

The Clerk to contact the resident again.

## **2018/215 Correspondence**

- (a) Police Report - There were 90 investigated crime reported for the month of November 2018 with 47 arrests and 21 reports of ASB for Area North
- (b) Road Naming in New Development - The Parish Council's suggestions for the names of the new roads have all been accepted. Hawthorn is no longer Gardens, and is now Hawthorn Road. The other 3 roads are Willow Road, Beech Close and Bramble Close.
- (c) Village Agent - Louise Smith, our Village Agent, is looking at the possibility of setting up a Good Neighbours Scheme in Ilton to encourage small acts of kindness to support isolated and vulnerable people in the village. There is a meeting at The Angel in Langport on Monday 14th January at 10 a.m. to discuss ways to move this idea forward. Parish Councillors are invited to attend. There will also be people from other communities such as Chard, Curry Rivel and Langport. No one is available on that date.
- (d) Christmas Tree Recycling Service - this will be set up in the Copse Lane Overspill Car Park with trees collected around 15th January. Posters to be sent out by SSDC.

## **2018/216 Budget**

The budget prepared by the Clerk shows that the budget requirement for 2019/20 is likely to be in excess of £20,000. The grant from central government has now finished. Last year the Cemetery generated an income of just over £1,000; so far this year it has generated an income of £770.00. It was agreed to set the precept at £20,000. This equates to a rise of 1.40% or £0.90p per year for a Band D property.

**ACTION - The Clerk**

## **2018/217 Accounts payments and receipts**

- (a) Bank statements had not been received at the date of the meeting.
- (b) Received £40.00 in respect of new inscription at the Cemetery and £100 grant from SSDC for Ilton Toddlers.
- (c) The following cheques were raised:
  - 001077 - £ 284.21 - S Morley - Salary and Administration November
  - 001078 - £ 192.00 - HMRC - PAYE
  - 001079 - £ 163.20 - Macs Printing for signs
  - 001080 - £1,958.80 - MH Goals Ltd
  - 001081 - £ 63.36 - Eagle Plant, November container hiring
  - 001082 - £ 630.00 - Play UK Playgrounds Ltd - Skate Ramp
  - 001083 - £ 780.00 - Paul Hart Welding Ltd - Skate Ramp

## **2018/218 Matters and items to report**

Nothing to report.

## **2018/219 Next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council**

The next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 8th January 2019 at 7.30 p.m. at Merryfield Hall

The meeting finished at 8.50 p.m.

Dave Amor - Chairman