



# Ilington Parish Council

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## Ilington Parish Council Meeting, Tuesday the 25<sup>th</sup> of January 2022

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING

**Present:** Cllr Mrs C Reeve                      Cllr R Bainbridge                      Cllr Mrs C Germon  
Cllr Mrs J Prior                                  Cllr M Wills                                  Cllr M Retallick  
Cllr MJ Wills                                      Cllr R Steemson

Also in attendance: Cllr G Gribble, Cllr A Patch Mrs Retallick (Clerk) and 4 members of public.

*Councillors are reminded that they must declare any prejudicial interests they may have in any item to be considered at this meeting, prior to the commencement of the meeting.*

Cllr Reeve welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**21/153. To accept apologies for absence.**

Received from Cllrs Winsor, Hember and Harcourt Smith

**21/154. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda.**

None

**21/155. PUBLIC FORUM & MEMBERS COMMENTS – (limited to 10 minutes)**

*(Applicants with planning applications for consideration may also speak for up to 3 minutes on behalf of their own application)*

Cllr Wills would like to ask the highway department to trim the bottom of the hedges from Liverton to Cummings Cross as the vegetation is sticking out by at least a foot onto the road.

Cllr Retallick informed the meeting that there is a pallet and half of salt still available.

Cllr Patch reported a pothole for repair which was dealt with very quickly, potholes reported on Simms Hill have been marked but not repaired yet.

**21/156. To confirm the minutes of the last meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2021.**

These were signed as a true record of that meeting.

**21/157. To receive reports from District, County Councillors, DNPA Ranger, Lengthsman and Police.**

DCC Cllr G Gribble – He has attended lots of meetings and the committees have been reviewing the budget needs and looking for ways to keep the services at the same costs. The highway department have been preparing for winter ensuring grit bins are full. Cllr Retallick noted that following the untidy way that DCC highways trimmed the hedges at Ramshorn a local farmer has now trimmed it back tidier.

TDC Cllr A Patch – Reported to the meeting that the consultation for the Local Plan Part 3 have now closed.

Regarding the enquiry he made last money about the local community councillors fund being used to help the residents group represent themselves at a planning appeals meeting has been refused by TDC, there is still money available from this year's funds and asked for organisations to apply asap.

Over the last few years in Teignbridge new house builds have been slower and because of this TDC must publish an action plan to inform how the shortfall will be solved, Cllr Patch reported that this should not be a problem as there are still a lots of active building sites.

At the Full Council meeting the council have written to Central Government to support virtual or hybrid meeting in the future, the next full council meeting is 22<sup>nd</sup> February where the member will consider the budget for the next financial year.

Cllr Retallick asked how much dies each councillor receive for their locality budget, Cllr Patch advised £1000 per year.

Cllr Wills noted that with regard to the continuous building of new homes there is a lack of new infrastructure and the existing services are being stretched more and more, Cllr Patch explained that the provision of new doctors surgeries, hospitals or schools is not the local

authority's responsibility to provide, and the district council can only achieve positive outcomes in areas they are responsible for, but agrees that the authorities should stand together to pressure Central Government to provide these extra services. Developers of new houses do have to make contributions to the local authorities to help provide the infrastructure for services but there are many pulls for this money, Cllr Patch agreed to investigate more into how the CIL money is collected. Cllr Steemson confirmed that DNPA has applied for CIL funds to make improvement to footpaths. Cllr Patch suggested that a representative from the CCG or the Education Department could attend a parish meeting and answer some of these queries.

Lengthsman - Having had a few days light rain and forecast for more I made the most of getting out and doing the last round of drain clearing as part of this year's Lengthsman contract. I was really pleased to see that someone had taken it upon themselves to dig a new channel on the byway, at the bottom of Tiple Hill, which now diverts the water on the track, away from the blocked culvert. This new channel diverts the water into the neighbouring field which means it no longer reaches the lane. In the absence of this culvert being able to be cleared I would now suggest switching the task to keeping this channel clear, as and when the Lengthsman ditch duties resume in August 2022.

All of the rest of drains were swept clear of leaves, silt and flailing so that they were all flowing clear.

The bus shelters were all clear and tidy, apart from the already mentioned graffiti.

I am starting to look ahead at planning work for spring and summer 2022. To help me in this do you have any idea as to when a decision will be made on the Lengthsman contract?

Police – Crime Report received listing 8 Offences since 1.11.21, being 1 common assault, 2 offences from Trago Mills, 2 malicious communications, and 3 driving offences.

AP freshly painted bus shelter have been graffiti, wondered if there is a community project for young children.

The next item was moved and agreed.

#### **21/158. Planning Appeal at Liverton - discussion**

Cllr wills informed the meeting that the appeal date has moved again to May now, the residents' groups has been informed and they have been submitting documents to the inspector. The question which still hasn't been answered is which planning officer are TDC sending to the appeal?

The meeting again discussed the splays required and questioned again why this objection was removed from the Highway response given that three reports have been submitted two of which show there is not enough space to meet the planning guidance.

The resident's group have asked for their barrister to be present at the appeal representing the residents, but the Inspector has not replied as to this request.

The meeting questioned if the Parish Council could be present at the appeal? The process should be public, and a site inspection is essential for the inspector to understand the objections.

The Parish Council supports the resident's group and agrees they should be represented at the appeal.

The meeting asked Cllr Gribble to contact Brian Hennessey at Highways to highlight the reports submitted and explain why the first and third reports which shows that the splay is unavailable are not being supported while the appellants report is?

Ilington Parish Council has submitted a FOI question to explain this reason, but the response was not adequate.

**ACTION – To send details of the gypsy and travellers site allocations which suggested it is on target, therefore this site is not needed. Remind the planning officer of the original objection, ensure she is aware that Ilington PC are appalled that highway have changed the opinion especially as a highways officer was present while taking the measurements for the first report. Copy this correspondence to the planning inspector.**

GG and AP left the meeting.

**21/159. Clerk's report** - an update on matters arising from the last meeting for information only.

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- The planning appeal for the land opposite Chapel Lane has been moved again to the beginning of May.
- The new bench at Exeter Cross has been donated by the WI and looks great
- The door from the telephone box at Haytor has been removed and I have it in safe keeping until it can be repaired.
- The parishes salt bins have been checked, there are a few which require topping up but the majority are at least half full.
- The DNPA local plan was adopted in December by the authority details are available on their website.
- I have made repeated request for the finger posts in the parish to be repaired and have requested a quote from a specialist company for new finger blades for the New Town Hill post.
- The precept request has been queried and I have forward on the budget sheet for their information.
- The Highway Enhancement Grant has been approved for £2000 towards the lengthsman duties for 21/22.
- I attended the Police Neighbourhood TEAMS meeting and the Community Payback Scheme meeting, both interesting meetings offering service and information to parish councils
- Play Area inspections are booked for March.
- Nominations for Queens Garden party- Past Chairmen only. Mervyn Wills send him the information.

Cllr Wills noted that he also attended the police liaison TEAMS meeting and had asked if the Police could support the road painting at Blackpool School or the issues with parking at Liverton and the basic message back was Not.

**21/160. Business Brought forward by the Chairman.**

None

**21/161. Set a date for the Annual Parish Meeting**

It was agreed to hold the APM on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April at Ilsington village hall. The planning committee meeting will be moved to an earlier time of 7pm with the Annual Parish Meeting from 7.30pm the usual invitation will be sent out for local organisations (should there be lots of plans to consider the committee meeting will start earlier). Discuss more details at the February Meeting.

**ACTION – Advertise 12<sup>th</sup> April and discuss detail in February full council meeting.**

**21/162. Queens Platinum Jubilee – Discussion and decision**

Cllr Retallick informed the meeting that beacons have been organised to be lit on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June from 9.45pm, in past years a beacon has been lit on Haytor Rock. If the council wishes to do so this year authorisation is needed from Natural England. Cllr Retallick proposed that if the council wishes to proceed, he will apply for the authorisation and organise local farmer to build the beacon, also invite the Dartmoor Rescue Group to be present and arrange stewards as required. The meeting then discusses other events and if the parish should buy souvenir mugs. Cllr Steemson reminded the meeting that there has not been budget allocated for this, but grants could be applied for. Cllr Wills agreed that the beacons should go ahead, and the other plans could be discussed in more detail at the February meeting.

**ACTION – Agreed for Cllr Retallick to start organising the beacon. Investigate grant applications. Ask WI if they would like to help with a parish event.**

**21/163. Parking through the narrow section of Liverton and speeding update – update and discussion**

As mentioned earlier the Police cannot help with parking problems. Cllr Steemson has spoken to residents and drew their attention to the problems with lots of cars parked at the narrow part of Old Liverton, he has noticed the situation has improved.

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**ACTION – monitor and review.**

**21/164. Traffic management at Blackpool school – Discussion**

Update – The lines have still not been repainted and the Police cannot help hurry this along. The parking has improved but that could be because of a lot of school absences due to Covid.

**ACTION – monitor and review**

**21/165. Overhanging trees within Ilsington Parish – Discussion and decision**

Cllr Wills proposed the council write to the landowners either side of Old Town Hill and ask them to manage the trees, there are lots of dead wood hanging over the road which could fall and cause damage or injury.

**ACTION – Contact landowners either side of Old Tow Hill and the slip road off Old Town Hill and to Highways regarding the overhanging trees on the bank opposite Pool Farm and the trees which are obscuring the signs approaching Drumbridges.**

**21/166. To consider the planning applications received from Teignbridge District.**

**Council and Dartmoor National Park Authority.**

- a) 0015/22 Proposal: Variation of conditions 2, 2 and 4 of approved planning permission ref 0609/21 at Wimstone, Green Lane, Ilsington. **No objection.**
- b) TDC 21/02909/HOU Demolition of existing lean-to single garage, construction of new garden room and store extensions at Hillsleigh Road from Blackpool Cross To Summerhill Road Liverton Devon TQ12 6HQ (This has been withdrawn atm as TDC have requested more information.)
- c) TDC 22/00041/TPO Crown lift two oaks (T3 & T4) to 5.4m above ground to clear the highway and one oak (T1) to 3m above ground to clear buildings and footpath at 9 Monro Mead, Liverton. **Support for essential maintenance.**
- d) DNPA 0700/21 Proposal: Livestock field shelter with fodder storage Site address: Green Lane Paddock, Ilsington. **No objection**

Grant of permission

- TDC 21/02319/FUL Location: Camberley Cottages South Knighton Devon TQ12 6NP Proposed: Addition of two rooflights and new door
- DNPA 0657/21 Retrospective change of use to a secure dog walking area, land adjacent to Northacombe, Ilsington.
- DNPA 0667/21 Erection of single storey rear extension with false pitched tiled roof over, 4 Hill Crest, Ilsington.

**21/167.To authorise payments of cheques presented see Account's sheet.**

1	C Retallick -salary for December		807.40
2	HMRC - December		25.93
3	R Ray - Window cleaning bus shelter		10.00
4	E Fairs Inv 150		975.48
5	E Fairs Inv 154		434.48
6	SWW`		56.54
7	SLCC Subscription		93.00
8	C Retallick -salary for January		807.40
9	HMRC - January		25.93
10	Peplows	110.00 + 22 vat	132.00
11	HP Instant Ink		9.99
12	Ilsington Village Hall rentals		24.00
DD	BT - December		50.65
DD	BT - January		50.35
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**Bank Reconciliation as at 30th December 21**

Summary

Opening Balance	44139.91	Payment	29939.84
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Receipts	<u>45548.61</u>	Closing Balance	<u>59748.68</u>
	<u>89688.52</u>		<u>89688.52</u>

**21/168. To received reports from councillors** - on outside bodies for information.

Cllr J Prior reported from Ilsington village hall committee – there is a new website, and the notice board has been upgraded, new LED lights, fridge and freezer with improvements to outside areas and guttering and a new light over the bin area. The committee have a new Bench in memory of Brian Major. Work continues to improve the toilets and purchasing a trolley for the hall tables. Finally, a hall user’s manual is planned.

Cllr Reeve reported from Liverton village hall community that they have applied for a grant and intend to use it for Jubilee celebrations. On Sunday the committee are meeting to clean the hall and make improvements to the outside area including removal of the shed. Cllr Wills asked about the mural for the bus shelter, Cllr Reeve thinks that is still planned.

**To confirm the next meeting of Ilsington Parish Council on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022 at 7.30 pm in Ilsington Village Hall & Ilsington Parish Council Planning Committee on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at 7.30pm at Ilsington Village Hall.**

Meeting finished at 21.42pm

Sign..... Date .....

No Rob Steemson for full Feb meeting