



Ilsington Parish Council

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Ilsington Parish Council Meeting, Tuesday the 23rd of January 2024

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Present: Cllr C Reeve Cllr M Wills Cllr R Bainbridge Cllr C Germon
 Cllr MJ Wills Cllr M Retallick Cllr B Turner Cllr J Prior

Also in attendance: Mrs Retallick (Clerk) and 1 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.

24/001. To accept apologies for absence.

Received from Cllrs Steemson and Winsor – the council accept the apologies for Cllr Winsor’s apologies due to ill health.

24/002. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda.

None declared.

24/003. PUBLIC FORUM & MEMBERS COMMENTS – (limited to 10 minutes)

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

MOP gave the meeting an update of fibre broadband in the village. The original quote from open reach and would not cover the whole area, so a smaller scheme was agreed and since November those properties have been connected. This scheme has already been extended to include Trumpeter and Lenda and now new poles have been put up on Smokey Lane. Properties at Sigford and Bagtor have been added to the portal, however there are no guarantees this will happen. Cllr Retallick thanked the broadband group for this incredible work.

The MOP also reported from the Ilsington Village Hall committee, 2 matters that he wanted to bring to the Parish Councils attention 1. Financial matter - New solar panels have been fitted onto the roof, however they grant received did not cover the VAT element and that need to be covered. 2. Following the Play area inspection there are repairs needed and the estimate for that is £600. Cllr Reeve noted that IPC has no responsibility for the play area at the hall and she advised the village hall committee to apply for a grant from the Parish Council.

Cllr Retallick noted the booking system for Ilsington village hall was quite complicated, the committee member explained that all bookings must receive the terms and conditions of bookings.

Finally, the hall committee member advised the meeting that the defibrillator at the hall has been deactivated for paediatric use because of the costs. The committee have asked if the parish council offers support towards any defibrillator in the parish. Cllr Reeve explained that several years ago, the PC has carried out an audit of the units and found there are several all different makes and models. Cllr Steemson informed a meeting that there was a grant becoming available from central government, but we have not received any further information about this yet, once the PC does, we will share the information. Cllr Turner noted that the committee should be working out the costs for annual maintenance so that fund can be planned and raised.

24/004. To confirm the minutes of the last meeting 28th November 2023.

Signed as a true record of that meeting.

24/005. To receive reports from District, County Councillors, DNPA Ranger, Lengthsman and Police.

TDC Cllr Steemson – hopefully you are finding the weekly residents report useful and which also go onto the IPC website. I am currently involved in two Task & Finish groups looking

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closely at resources and spending (which I find interesting and have experienced at DNPA) so can see things from both sides. on Friday I hosted a senior staff member from TDC to look around half of the Parish (Ward) which was very interesting. We are Rural area which is often forgotten about within TDC and they are keen to redress the balance which includes lobbying DCC on many important things like potholes etc.

24/006. Clerk's report - an update on matters arising from the last meeting for information only.

- Play areas have been repaired.
- Teignbridge Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Consultation – the recommendations were in favour of PC's getting more payments.
- Temporary Traffic Notice - ROAD FROM COCKSLAND BRIDGE TO SIGFORD HOUSE, Ilsington (TTRO2454498) in March on website
- DALC proposed subscription for next financial year will be £672.99 dependant on electoral role entries.
- Temporary Traffic Notice - ROAD FROM CHAPEL CROSS TO SIGFORD CROSS, Ilsington (TTRO2454628) in March details on Website
- Temporary Traffic Notice - ROAD FROM THE WELCOME STRANGER CROSS TO KNIGHTON CROSS, Ilsington in March details on Website.
- Allotments – meeting a prospective new tenant next week.

24/007. Actions Ilsington Parish Council would like to achieve in 2024.

- a) **New Notice boards and benches** - discussion and decision making –
Notice boards Cllr Prior noted that the Sigford notice board is difficult to use and see the notices within it, she suggested the 2 doors are replaced for one door and a new lock is required. Cllr Reeve has a contact for repairing this board. Benches that require replacing are at Cummings cross, Cottamore corner and above the Tennis court at the playing field. Cllr Wills proposed all three benches to be purchased, seconded by Cllr Reeve. The Council to arrange quotes for fitting the benches in place.

ACTION: Cllr Reeve will contact a carpenter for the repairs to the Sigford Notice board.

- b) **Speed monitoring Devices** – discussion and decision making.
Following a discussion of which type of monitor to use, it was agreed to use same type as we already have and obtain a quote for the equipment plus a new battery for benedict's road.

ACTION: Quote for equipment plus a new battery.

- c) **Defibrillators within Ilsington parish** – see table attached.
Cllr Steemson suggested the use of CIL funds to purchase a stock of batteries & pads, however given that all the units are different this would be problematic. There are funds available from the Councillors Community Fund and applications for funds could be made. Cllr Reeve and Clerk will discuss the list and try and find out more information about each unit. Also, a point to remember is the CIL money this is not guaranteed every year.

ACTION: Clerk and Cllr Reeve to seek more information about each unit.

24/008. Litter bins/Dog waste bins – discussion and decision based on costs.

Cllr Steemson suggested removal of the dog bins and litter bins due to ongoing emptying costs. What has happened in Great Plantation is a terrible example of bins being abused. If the bins are removed people will look for others and the parish may still have a littering problem. The council are currently paying for 2 bins. It was agreed to visit the site of the bins and gage the litter at the playing field before taking a decision.

ACTION – Cllrs visit the site and add to next month agenda.

24/009. Grant Application – to consider the applications submitted and decision.

None received.

24/010. Old Leys Woods – information only

A parishioner has contacted the council with regard of his plans for the woods, the details were circulated to the councillors for information.

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24/011. Neighbourhood Plan- update

Cllr Reeve suggested that the council should be working towards this during 2024. Cllr Turner noted that any plan must be audited twice before it is published for a public referendum. Some of the preparation is within the control of the PC but until the feedback from councillors and residents is received its difficult to guess a response. For this parish having both authorities this will make it a busier task. Cllr Turner suggested looking at another parish in a similar situation. This process would take longer than 12 months and the council would need to identify what the council are seeking. The starting point would be identifying the special categorisation of land in each authority, this can only be achieved by looking at the local plans.

Cllr Turner noted that Teignbridge Local Plan has still not been clarified as it will be readvertised again before the plan has been finalised.

A general opinion from the council is needed and what should be focused on would be useful to start.

ACTION Councillors to provide aspirations of the parish send to Clerk. Add Local Plan to future agendas as a standing item.

24/012. Bradmore Woods – update

Cllr Turner gave an overview of the response Ilsington Parish Council submitted. Our response should be made aware to the leader of the council and our MP.

ACTION – write to raise our concerns about the departures of staff at TDC and the problems with the planning department at TDC leader of the council, Mel Stride and Tim Jones

24/013. To consider the planning applications received from Teignbridge District Council and Dartmoor National Park Authority.

None received.

24/014. To authorise payments of cheques presented see Account’s sheet.

1	C Retallick for December	925.15
2	C Retallick for January	925.15
3	HMRC - December	30.40
4	HMRC - January	30.40
5	SWW Allotments	66.83
6	Vision ICT - website hosting and support	240.00
7	Ilsington Village Hall rental Inv Nos: 2490	9.00
8	HP Ink - December	9.99
9	HP Ink - January	9.99
10	Peplows - PAYE Accountant	145.54
DD	BT - December	65.08
DD	BT - January	62.99
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Bank Reconciliation as at 17th January 2024 - Summery

Opening Balance	60465.86	Payment	31118.92
Receipts	<u>60507.79</u>	Closing Balance	<u>89854.73</u>
	<u>120973.65</u>		<u>120973.65</u>

24/015. To received reports from councillors - on outside bodies for information.

Cllr Steemson reported from the tour of the parish he had taken with an officer of TDC , the main point raised from the meeting was the necessity for IPC to have a neighbourhood plan to help influence any development and community needs e.g. children’s play area in Liverton etc. The advice was to keep a neighbourhood plan simple and there are other villages we can get help from; Teignbridge Council can also offer help and support. The other potential bonus is that the parish is then entitled to an extra 10% CIL money.

Cllr Prior – reported from the Ilsington Village Hall committee. The solar panels have been fitted at £20,000 – the hall paid £3000 of that. Simms hill profit is £1600 which will go towards the VAT needed to pay for the solar panels. The hall has employed a gardener to tidy up the grounds. The next meeting is on 29th January. The committee are trialling a new online booking form she confirmed there is a need for the terms and conditions to be passed onto any booking.

Cllr Bainbridge asked about creating speed humps into the village as he received lots of concerns from residents about the speed of vehicles entering the village. He will make inquiries about how this can be achieved and will report at the next meeting.

Cllr Reeve reminded the meeting of the event at the Moorland Hotel Friday 2nd February, the official opening, she will be cutting a ribbon at 4-5pm all councillors are welcome.

Cllr Reeve also reported that on the 5th of February Liverton Village Hall are holding a volunteer’s day to help with maintenance. On the 17th of February the roof is due to be repaired and in the Spring the committee have plans for a new front door and removal of the sheds soon.

**To confirm the next meeting of Ilsington Parish Council on 27th February 2024 at 7.30 pm in Ilsington Village Hall
Ilsington Parish Council Planning Committee on Tuesday 13th February 2024 at 7.30pm at Ilsington Village Hall (subject to receipt of applications).**

Meeting finished at 21.53pm

Sign..... Date