IPSDEN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting Tuesday 14th September 2023 at 6.30pm, Ipsden Village Hall.

PC MEMBERS

Cllr. Mr. N. Miller - Chairman NM

Cllr. Mr. J. Jeffery JJ

Cllr. Mr. D. Coldwell DC

Cllr. Mr. R. Moberly RM

Cllr. Mrs Dilys Beaumont DB

Parish Clerk - Sinead Archer

Meeting started: 18:32

1.To receive apologies for absence.

None.

2. To receive declarations of interest.

None.

3. Public Forum - Opportunity for members of the public to address the Council, with the permission of the Chairman.

The District Cllr James Norman.

4.To Approve Minutes - of Annual Parish Council meeting 27th June 2023.

Approved as a True Record.

5. To vote on candidates for Co-Option

DC proposed Dilys Beaumont, RM seconded the motion to appoint Dilys Beaumont.

Resolved: Unanimously approved to appoint candidate Dilys Beaumont.

6. To receive acceptance of office and declaration of interests

Acceptance of office and declaration of interests received from DB.

7. To receive the District Cllr Report

Report received and noted.

It was highlighted that there are several grants open at the moment for rural entities, such as businesses and parish councils.

Grant applications for Cllr community grants close on 10th October.

8.Planning.

P23/S2829/FUL - King William Hailey OX10 6AD Installation of 'viewing platform' over existing loose boxes used as storage (retrospective).

Resolved: unanimously resolved to submit the following response: No Objections

P23/S2918/LDP - Hailey Compton Ipsden OX10 6ADCertificate of Lawful Proposed Use for clarification that the farmhouse is not subject to an agricultural occupancy condition.

Resolved unanimously resolved to submit the following response: IPC support this application.

9. Payments - To approved payments note receipts.

04/07/23 John Jeffery	website	£24.79
28/07/23 T Vernon	Litter Picking	£107.66
28/07/23 J.Welham	Staffing costs	£ 234.26
28/07/23 HMRC		£138.40
15/08/23 Chlosey Parish Council	Grass cutting	£335.00
25/08/23 Zurich	Insurance	£460.13
28/08/23 S Archer Wages		£329.33
28/08/23 T Vernon Litter Picking		£107.66

9.1 Budget 24-25 draft 1 review

It is suggested that the Cllrs take a month to review the draft budget and review at the next meeting, adding in the adjustments.

Resolved: Unanimously agreed to come back with feedback on draft 1 at the next meeting.

9.2 To agree pay increase in line with Minimum wage for Handyman.

Resolved: Unanimously approved to increase to Minimum wage to £10.41 with a back pay of the increase from April.

10. Playground - Update.

Picnic table needs a small repair which be completed this month, all timber needs a fresh treatment. The post to the gate was replaced is starting to lean and will need fixing at some point.

Wickstead has identified some splits and rotting timber in the two seat swings, it is advised to replace as required, and robust checks will be undertaken monthly.

Update received and noted.

11. Matters arising – matters for discussion that have arisen after this Agenda issued.

Grass cutting, it was decided to do one cut a year, there is a complaint that visibility is impaired with only one cut and there is a request for a second cut to be undertaken.

It is thought it has been an exceptional year for grass growth.

Unanimously resolved: To ask the current handyman if he can cut the verge – NM to ask if he can do this and JJ has offered equipment.

The tree by the memorial cross needs replanting – this will be the third time it will be replanted.

Unanimously resolved: DC to follow up and investigate and Clerk to investigate with District Cllr Pete Sudbury.

Access to the website, at present the domain manager does not want to have multiple user accesses – if the PC wants to take this over, the domain user would hand over everything to the PC.

Unanimously resolved: to keep the current set up – but the PC must have access usernames in case of any unforeseen event which would require access, by the next meeting.

Clerk to re-circulate District Cllr report to all Cllrs.

12. Date of next meeting.

The date of the next meeting is 9th November 2023 at 6:30pm

Meeting closed: 19:25