

**Minutes of the Ipsden Parish Council meeting held at Ipsden Memorial Hall
on Wednesday 5th January 2022 at 6.00 pm**

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A village support group is available to contact at ipsden_support@btinternet.com or 01491 681857

1	Present: Members: Nick Miller (Chair) – NM, John Jeffery – JJ, David Coldwell – DC, Heather Llewellyn Clerk: Moira Holloway - MH	Action										
2	Apologies: Robert Booth, Cllr Lorraine Hillier, Councillor Jo Robb											
3	Declarations of Interest: None											
4	Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the previous meeting of 24 November 2021 were amended to remove the duplication between the final sentences of 6.6 and 8.											
5	SODC Report: Apologies were received from both Cllr Lorraine Hillier and Cllr Jo Robb. No SODC report was given at the meeting. OCC Report: No OCC report was given at the meeting.											
6	Matters Arising:											
6.1	Playground: Mr Coldwell has undertaken a playground inspection in December and reported that the Covid precautions signs need re-printing and laminating. Mr Coldwell proposed purchasing pre-printed signs more suited to the outdoor location. Councillors agreed that he should proceed. Mr Coldwell also reported that annual equipment inspection is due and that he will contact Wicksteed to arrange this.	DC										
6.2	Highways Maintenance:											
6.2.1	Passing Places: The passing place repairs have not taken place to date. Chairman advised that Mr Jackson has been busy, but he will speak to him again to check that he is able to do the work. As ever, residents are encouraged to report highway maintenance issues at https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/my	NM										
6.2.2	20mph speed restriction application: Clerk advised that the application has not yet been completed but is in progress.	MH										
6.3	HRH Duke of Edinburgh Memorial Tree: A further update is awaited.											
6.4	The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022: Clerk has still to approach Village Hall Committee to discuss any plans that may already be in place for celebrating the Platinum Jubilee to which the IPC can offer support. Clerk to provide Village Hall Committee with information received to date.	MH										
6.5	Post Office – Broadband Issues: Clerk reported that a recent update advised Openreach will undertake work to improve the Broadband connection in early January. Mrs Llewellyn further advised that a date of 11 th January had been given.											
6.6	Correspondence: Website: Clerk advised that a communication had been received by Mr Bennett which he has passed on regarding the Ipsden Village website the security certificate. Mr Jeffery to talk Mr McCrea in this regard.	JJ										
7	Finance:											
7.1	Payments for approval: Council members approved payment of the following:											
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	The reconciled current account balance at 5 th January is £5,194.71. With receipt of £0.09 interest the Business Premium Account balance is £3601.26 as of 17 th December 2021.											

7.2	Clerk's invoice: Council approved Clerk's services invoice for the period 30 Nov 2021 to 3 January 2022 (5 weeks less 1 week holiday) - £240, office service charge for December (1 month) - £20.00.	
7.3	Budget/Precept: Clerk presented the budget and precept calculation for 2022-23 showing expected total net expenditure of £8,828 necessitating a precept of £53.18 per band D household and was pleased to report that this is the same as last year. The budget was approved by council and the precept request will be submitted to SODC.	MH
7.4	Banking – Online application Application for online account with Unity Bank in progress. Clerk to complete.	MH
8	Planning: New Applications: P21/S510/LB Well Place Farmhouse, Well Place Road, Ipsden, OX10 6QZ. Replace two old sheds with ancillary building and double garage. Clerk to circulate application to councillors Decisions: P21/S5010/LB Bottom Farm House, Bottom Lane, Checkendon, RG8 0NR Demolition of unlawful extension and erection of new one and a half storey extension to the rear. IPC consulted as Ipsden/Checkendon parish boundary runs through grounds. Response: No comment other than to note that the public footpath running through the grounds does not appear on the application plans.	MH
9	Any Other Business: Website/Social Media: Councillors further discussed the Ipsden website and the need to rationalise the headings with multiple pages that are rarely visited and where it sits with other social media opportunities for circulating information such as the Ipsden Whatsapp Group. Mr Coldwell provided Councillors with an annual comparison of websites visits per page highlighting the more frequently visited pages: The Window, Coronavirus Update, Parish Council and The Church. Mr Jeffery to discuss with Mr McCrea. Defibrillator: Mr Coldwell has been approached by a resident regarding the siting of the defibrillator, currently on the wall of the Village Hall. The question asked was whether the retained telephone box would be a more suitable location as community defibrillators are often sited in retained phone boxes and are an obvious 'go-to' point in an emergency. Mr Jeffery advised that at the time the current defibrillator was installed at the village Hall, the telephone box was still operational. It was noted that a power supply was necessary to maintain the defibrillator battery which is still present in the telephone box and a weather-proof location would be more suitable. Mr Coldwell to investigate discuss with Mr Small Hailey Lane Repairs: Mrs Llewellyn advised councillors that Hailey Lane has suffered from use by heavy plant and large vehicles during construction works at Hill Barn. Councillors discussed the conditions of the Hill Barn planning application that included the requirement to restore the road and verge between the site and the east side of the vehicular access to the King William IV public house prior to occupation. Councillors agreed that SODC Planning should be advised of the current condition of the road to ensure that restoration is undertaken.	JJ DC MH
10	Date of next meeting: The next meeting of the Ipsden Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 9 th March 2022 at 6.00 pm at Ipsden Memorial Hall.	MH
	The meeting closed at 7.03 pm	

Approved by:

(Chairman)

Date: