

## IWADE PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2010

**Present:** Cllr. D. Manning (Chairman) Clerk, Lynda Fisher  
Cllr. P. Wilks Temp. Community Warden  
Cllr. J. White Co-opted Parish Council Planning  
Cllr. J. Gregory member Mrs. J. Exley  
Cllr. P. Hyde 2 Parishioners  
Cllr. S. Plumb Cllr. M. Whiting  
Cllr. A. Hurrell

1. **Apologies**

Apologies received from Parish Cllrs. Menzies and Hunt and Borough Cllr. B. Stokes.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

Cllrs. A. Hurrell and J. White declared an interest in Item 9 – Phase 8 – Louise Humphries.

3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Agreed by Members and signed by the Chairman as a true transcript.

4. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

Village Hall Garden – Valuation of Land – Clerk has received a quote of £400 to value the land owned by the Parish Council to the side of the Village Hall; the Estate Agents in the village were unable to assist with this matter. Clerk is investigating other avenues and will report back.

*Action: Clerk*

5. **Visitors/Public Time**

**Parishioners** – raised the issue of the problems with the new road layout at the junction of School Lane/Ferry Road – this has already been taken up with K.C.C. Highways; car parking in the village - Clerk to pursue; no disabled parking bays in village centre – Clerk to write to the centre management committee and query with Swale B.C. why this was not taken into account at the planning stage; dog fouling in Dunlin Walk – Community Warden to investigate.

**County Councillors and Borough Councillor** – Cllr. Whiting referred to the change of conditions in the Biomass planning application.

**Temp. Community Warden (Nick Mayatt)** – report read out to Members; issues dealt with, included fly-tipping, litter in the village centre, (Clerk to write to management committee regarding this) anti-social behaviour, water leak in School Lane, etc.

PCSO – did not attend.

**6. Election of Vice-Chairman**

No Vice-Chairman elected and item not to be brought back to the next meeting.

**7. Finance**

**Audit – 2008/09 and 2009/10 Accounts** – Auditor is preparing accounts for the year 2008/09, which will then produce an opening balance for the accounts for the following year; finished accounts to be circulated to all Members. Notices have been posted advising Parishioners that the accounts will be available for viewing during the period specified.

**Fidelity Insurance** – According to the Insurers £2,000 is the norm for Fidelity Insurance. The Parish Council can apply to have this amount increased - Clerk instructed to investigate further and report back when details are to hand.

*Action: Clerk*

**Fraud Update** – Clerk has received a response from the bank referring to a discrepancy in the final fraudulent amount. Clerk to respond, enclosing the list of fraudulent transactions supplied by the Police.

*Action: Clerk*

**ROSPA Report – School Lane Playing Field** – report noted; Clerk to liaise with the Village Handyman regarding any necessary work.

*Action: Clerk/Village Handyman*

**Trees** – A budget of £500 was agreed to replace three fruit trees in the Village Hall Garden and to buy bulbs and plants to enhance the green areas of the village.

Clerk requested to contact Swale Borough Council to see if they will replace the dead trees in the village park with new, mature trees.

*Action: Clerk*

**Cheques raised at this meeting:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Cheque</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Amount</b>
08.09.10	1336	Stiddard Maidstone Ltd	£11.75p
08.09.10	1337	Kent Association of Local Councils	£141.00p
08.09.10	1338	Playsafety Limited	£81.08p
08.09.10	1339	Crusader Packaging Services Ltd.	£65.80p
08.09.10	1340	L. Fisher	£23.69p
08.09.10	1341	Inland Revenue	£84.00p
08.09.10	1342	Wages	£335.92p
08.09.10	1343	Steve Wakeling	£235.14p
<b>Eight cheques in total</b>			

8. **Correspondence**

KRAG Conservation Partner Application – Agreed to apply for conservation status membership with this organisation. It was proposed by Cllr. Hyde and seconded by Cllr. Manning that a donation of £200 be given to this conservation group. *Action: Clerk*

Affordable Housing – agreed to take part in the Housing Needs Survey.

Electoral Arrangements – New electoral arrangement for May 2011 noted.

Swale B.C. Executive Governance Arrangements – Members supported Option 2 – Directly elected Mayor and Cabinet Model. Clerk to respond accordingly.

*Action: Clerk*

9. **Planning**

SW/10/TEMP/0023 – Biomass Power Plant Ridham Ltd., Biomass Combined Heat and Power Plant, Ridham Dock, Iwade – agreed no objection to the amended wording on conditions.

Phase 8 – Louise Humphries – Cllr Wilks to instruct Louise Humphreys to write to Natural England.

10. **Next Meeting**

The next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2010, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

**The meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.**