

## IWADE PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING

Held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2017

**Present:**

Cllr. M. Gale – Chair	Cllr. S. Cheeseman
Cllr. S. Plumb	Cllr. P. Horner
Cllr. P. Hyde	Cllr. A. Dollimore
Cllr. L. Mitchell	Lynda Fisher, Clerk
Cllr. R. Langham	3 Parishioners

This is a Parish Meeting called as required by the local Government Act, 1972. The meeting is an opportunity for the residents of the village who are registered electors to raise and discuss any subject affecting the village. Discussion and voting on any subject is restricted to electors, residents who are not registered as electors are welcome as observers. Residents wishing to speak are requested to give their name and the name of their road or street.

#### **1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting; apologies were received from Parish Cllrs. Hunt, White and Clark; Borough Cllr. Dewar-Whalley and Nick Mayatt the Community Warden.

#### **2. REPORT FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR ON THE PREVIOUS YEAR**

**Housing** - The Chair referred to the Local Plan and that the Parish Council had put forward some good representations and arguments against further development within the village, but if housing is approved for Iwade Councillors will push to get further facilities, e.g. a new Village Hall, more open spaces, etc. We await the outcome of the Planning Inspector's findings, which will become apparent in June.

**Management Companies** – these come with new developments; we need to be on top of these to avoid problems in the future.

**Woodpecker Park** - Having worked with Swale Borough Council on this for a number of years, it is nice to be able to report that the play area in is to be extended; a bridge across the stream will join both area of the park; new disabled friendly footpaths will be installed along with sensory equipment and sculptures.

**School Lane Pavilion and Field** – Persimmon are still dragging their feet as regards the legal issues and this area has not been handed over to Swale Borough Council yet. The Iwade Herons are in the process of negotiating a lease for the Pavilion and field with the Borough Council and it will become their new home hopefully in time for the start of the next season.

**School Lane Parking Issues** – The new zigzag lines on both sides of the road outside the School seem to have helped as regards parking and the area is now safer for children.

**The Barn** – Now has Planning and Building Regulations approval; work has started inside and is progressing well with the aid of some wonderful volunteers from the village.

**ANPR Camera** – If everything goes well with checks on sites, signals, etc., soon one of these cameras will be installed within the village.

**General** – The Chair then thanked Parish Councillors and the Clerk for all the work they had undertaken during the past year.

**Community Award** - the Chair presented the Kent Association of Local Councils Community Award to Stephen Plumb, for his work as a Parish Councillor; as an Iwade School Governor; his work with youth groups within the village and his deep involvement in working in and supporting the community.

**3. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM PARISHIONERS**

None.

**4. ANY OTHER MATTERS ARISING**

None.

**Meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.**