

IWADE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 12 December 2018

Present:

Cllr. S. Cheeseman – Chair	Cllr. R. Langham
Cllr. P. Horner	Cllr. T. Trower
Cllr. A. Dollimore	Lynda Fisher, Clerk
Cllr. R. Clark	3 Residents
Cllr. P. Hyde	County Cllr. M. Whiting

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting; apologies received from Parish Cllrs. Dicker and Mills and Nick Mayatt, the Community Warden.

2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

Dispensations are in place for Members relating to The Barn and Iwade School.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Proposed by Cllr. Dollimore and seconded by Cllr. Clark, the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 14 November 2018 were agreed and signed as a true transcript.

4. Councillor Vacancies and Committee Membership

The Chair formally welcomed Tony Trower onto the Parish Council; Tony signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and duly took up his seat.

Four candidates have come forward for the two advertised vacant positions, left by the resignations of former Councillors Gale and Mitchell. It was agreed to interview on either the 7 or 8 January, 2019. Clerk to contact candidates inviting them to attend for interview. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr. Dollimore agreed to join the Finance Committee; Members now comprise of Councillors Cheeseman, Langham, Dollimore and the Clerk.

5. Visitors/Public Time

1. **Visitors** – No comments.

2. **County and Borough Councillors** – County Cllr. Whiting acknowledged an email from the Clerk regarding issues with the junction School Lane/Chetney View and the request for double yellow lines. He commented that, as KCC had not been advised of any incidents, it would be difficult to justify spending money on lines. The Clerk advised that there had been accidents at the junction according to Facebook; Cllr. Whiting advised accidents should be reported to the Police, this will then build up evidence of a need for yellow lines.

3. **Community Warden/PCSO** – Written report – checked fly tipping, there were incidents at Raspberry Hill Lane, Sheppey Way and two in Old Ferry Road, all were reported to Swale Borough Council. Delivered the Iwade Observer to outlying areas. Dealt with a criminal damage/nuisance youths case, advised resident to call 999 or 101

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes – None.

7. Planning

1. **18/505828/FULL:** Car Fragmentation Yard Ridham Dock Road Sittingbourne Kent ME9 8SR: Site remediation on former recycling facility – Members agreed to respond that providing the Environment Agency's conditions are adhered to, Iwade Parish Council will raise no objections to this application.

8. Correspondence

1. **Dark Nights = Double the Dog Poo** – Members felt that these signs would not stop dog fouling. Agreed to approach the Dog Warden to see if he can assist. **Action: Clerk**
2. **Questionnaire - Rural Sustainable Settlement Study 2018** – With Members' assistance the Questionnaire was completed, Clerk to submit to Swale Borough Council. **Action: Clerk**
3. **Swale Borough Council corporate plan 2019-2022** – Noted.
4. **Election Costs** – Noted.

9. Finance

1. **Request for Donation – Iwade Community Entertainers (ICE)** – Proposed by Cllr. Dollimore, seconded by Cllr. Langham, agreed to donate £200.
2. **Accounts and Cheques raised at this meeting** – Proposed by Cllr. Hyde and seconded by Cllr. Clark agreed the following cheques and accounts to the 30 November 2018:

Date	Chq.	Details		Amount
12.12.18	2075	Clerk's Expenses	Telephone, Office Use – November	£18.66p
12.12.18	2076	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax due December	£299.81p
12.12.18	2077	Steve Wakeling	Work carried out in November	£407.41p
12.12.18	2078	Littlethorpe of Leicester Ltd	Surrey Bus Shelter (S.106 money received for this)	£9546.00p
12.12.18	2079	Aylesford Electrical Contractors Ltd.	Isolators, Infrastructure, install/uninstall (one year)	£6300.00p
12.12.18	2080	Iwade Community Entertainers	Donation	£200.00p
Six cheques in total				

Plus:

Staff Wages: November	£1183.25p	Paid by Standing Order
Eon: Energy Supply, Street Lighting – October	£58.61p	Paid by Direct Debit
Countrystyle: Hire of 110 Ltr. Envirobin – October	£51.41p	Paid by Direct Debit

Paid In:

Swale Borough Council, Festive Lights	£2000.00p	Paid by BACs
KCC Grant (Snow Machine)	£400.00p	Paid by BACs

10. Projects/Project Updates

1. **Christmas Lights Project** – Clerk updated on the various issues faced regarding the lights, she has been working with the contractor and KCC and hopefully all have been resolved. Due to extra work needed to comply with KCC regulations, the total cost of lights, Double Isolators, Infrastructure and install/uninstall/store (for one year) has risen to £11235, plus VAT (reclaimable). If a three-year contract with the contractor is vetoed by KCC, there will be a small additional sum payable in respect of this year's install/uninstall/store. On top of this, the Clerk is expecting an invoice from KCC for administration costs and the Loading Report. It was proposed by Cllr. Langham and seconded by Cllr. Clark, agreed the cost to date of £11235.

2. Suggestions for Projects 2019/20 – Agreed Councillors to forward any suggestions to the Clerk in order that these can be included in next year’s budget. **Action: All Councillors**

11. Reports from Representatives

3. Hall – Disco on the 22 December, tickets all sold. Panto on the 12 January, tickets selling well. Christmas Market was very successful.
4. KALC – nothing to report.

12. Any Other Matters Arising

1. Clerk has received a letter of thanks from Carers’ Support for the donation.
2. Cllr. Dollimore agreed to look view and judge the best display of Christmas Lights on 20 December. He will also purchase the bottle of Champagne for the prizewinner. **Action: Cllr. Dollimore**

13. Next Meeting(s)

Wednesday 9 January 2019, commencing at 7.30 pm in Iwade Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.