

IWADE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 10th February 2016

<u>Present:</u>	Cllr. M. Gale – Vice-Chair	Lynda Fisher, Clerk
	Cllr. L. Mitchell	Nick Mayatt, Community Warden
	Cllr. P. Horner	PCSO Matthew Link
	Cllr. J. White	PCSO John Corke
	Cllr. S. Cheeseman	Mick Drury
	Cllr. D. Gale	7 Members of the public
	Cllr. J. Rook	

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Vice-Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting; apologies were received Cllrs. Hunt, Clark, Plumb and Hyde (who might be attending later) and Borough Cllr. Ben Stokes.

2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

Cllr. Mitchell declared an interest in Item 9.1. Dispensations are in place for Members relating to The Barn and Iwade School.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Proposed by Cllr. D. Gale and seconded by Cllr. J. White, the Minutes of the Monthly meeting held on the 13th January 2016 were agreed and signed as a true transcript.

4. Visitors/Public Time

1. Visitors – A resident complained about parking in the village, it is getting worse. The Vice-Chair advised that Cllr. Hunt will be walking around Iwade with an Environment Warden pointing out all the areas that are of concern so that these can be investigated. If residents can take photographs of offenders and forward to the Parish Council it will help. Parking is also making it difficult to get out of some roads. Cllr. M. Gale advised that there will be six monthly reviews of the school highway issues and he would like to see everyone getting involved, including residents.

Mick Drury addressed the Council; he represents the owner of Iwade Race Track and 30 acres of land in the Marsh Bank Old Ferry Road area. The application is for 3 low cost affordable housing and the intention is to tidy up the frontage, sort out the drainage and road way. The long term intention is to make some lakes for fishing and to gradually reduce the amount of general clutter that is there. These units will be offered first to residents in the Bobbing, Iwade and Lower Halstow Ward.

A resident raised concerns relating to the overturned car in a ditch next to the gateway entrance to the Village, Ferry Road. He was worried the oil and diesel was leaking into the waterways. Clerk to ask the Environment Agency to investigate. **Action: Clerk**

2. County and Borough Councillors – Non present.
3. **Community Warden (Nick Mayatt)/PCSO** – The Community Warden's report was circulated. During January he checked outlying fly tipping areas; attended the School gate; reported dog fouling in Fans Lane and delivered letters asking residents to help report dog fouling in Fans Lane, Stangate Drive, Dunlin Walk and School Mews. He reported a build-up of litter in Dunlin Walk and School Lane/Ferry Road junction to Swale Borough Council. A resident using a mobility scooter stated she could not gain entry to the local park due to mud at entrances - sent this onto Swale Borough Council who responded they will deal with this problem. Dealt with a welfare issue and delivered Iwade Observers to the outlying district.

The PCSO has dealt with 2 thefts from motor vehicles in Iwade and criminal damage in Hollyblue Drive and Coleshall Cottages.

5. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

1. **Grovehurst Roundabout and Slip Roads** – Place on the March Agenda. **Action: Clerk**

6. **Planning**

1. **15/510695/COUNTY**: Iwade County Primary School School Lane Iwade Kent ME9 8RS: Details of a scheme of landscaping pursuant to condition 4 of planning permission SW/14/500739 – no comments.
2. **SW/15/502632/R45** – Details of landscape scheme pursuant to condition (45) of planning permission SW/15/502632 for the phased extraction of brickearth and restoration to agriculture – Orchard Farm, School Lane, Iwade, ME9 8QH – no comments.
3. **16/500090/FULL**: Erection of a rear conservatory and installation of a garage door: 58 Holly Blue Drive Iwade Kent ME9 8WL – no comments.
4. **15/507706/FULL**: Single storey rear extension. Alterations to roof to facilitate loft conversion, including hip to table topped gable roof conversion, raising of the ridge and chimney heights, and the insertion of dormers to the front and rear with small windows in between: 8 Colson Drive Iwade Kent ME9 8TT – to object on the following grounds:
- The height of the building will dominate the property opposite.
 - The windows of the property will look down and into the bedroom windows of the property opposite, an invasion of privacy.
 - There will be an impact on car parking outside the house.
 - The building will be offset to the neighbour and forward on the pavement; again this will dominate the adjoining property.
 - The property will be out of proportion with existing properties and the changes will affect the street scene.
 - Concerns over access to the site as regards contractors.
5. **15/510372/FULL**: Construction of an extension to existing vehicle workshop to provide additional working space, storage and staff facilities: Countrystyle Recycling Ridham Dock Kemsley Fields Business Park Ridham Dock Road Sittingbourne Kent – No objection.
6. **16/500649/FULL**: Erection of a rear conservatory: 5 Elm Tree Avenue Iwade Kent ME9 8UD – no objection.

7. **Correspondence**

1. **Kent MWLP 2013-30 Proposed Further Modifications** – Noted.
2. **Kent Mobile Library Engagement** – Noted.
3. **England Coast Path - Iwade to Grain** – Clerk to ask how much time is needed for the presentation and either arrange at the beginning of a Council meeting or an individual meeting. **Action: Clerk**
4. **Lower Thames Crossing Route Consultation 2016 – Have Your Say** – Bring back to the March meeting. **Action: Clerk**
5. **'Fly A Flag For The Commonwealth - 14th March 2016' & Outline Press Release** – The Vice-Chair briefly outlined the poll and comments on Iwade Does Facebook; the outcome of which is that there is general agreement to the pole but perhaps to relocate it; Clerk to place this on the March Agenda. The vast majority of residents were happy to see the George Cross flying. **Action: Clerk**
6. **Linkway Parking Issues** – Clerk to place on the March Agenda. **Action: Clerk**

7. **Swale Borough Local Plan Examination** – Noted housing number per year has risen to 760; the Borough Council had 550 in the submitted plan.

8. Finance

1. **Budget 2016/17** – proposed by Cllr. White and seconded by Cllr. Cheeseman agreed the budget for the financial year 2016/17.
2. **Operation of School Lane Playing Field & Pavilion – Parish Council/Iwade Herons** –The Clerk is awaiting further quotations for the maintenance of the playing field; once all details are to hand a meeting with the Herons will be arranged to discuss the pavilion and grounds; Swale Borough Council can then be informed as to how the Parish Council wishes to take this forward. **Action: Clerk**
3. **Verge Signs** – Proposed by Cllr. M. Gale and seconded by Cllr. D. Gale all agreed to purchase 20 signs at a possible price of £8 each. **Action: Clerk**
4. **Village Garden Competition** – Agreed to put an article in the Iwade Observer. Proposed by Cllr. M. Gale and seconded by Cllr. D. Gale agreed the sum of £50 to purchase Sunflower seeds.
5. **Accounts and Cheques raised at this meeting** – Members agreed the following cheques and accounts to the 31st January 2016.

Date	Chq.	Details		Amount
10.02.16	1825	Clerk's Expenses	Telephone; use of Home as office, Refreshments Dec & Jan	£17.87p
10.02.16	1826	H.M. Revenue & Customs	Tax due February	£153.75p
10.02.16	1827	Steve Wakefield	Handyman Maintenance Jan 2016	£192.00p
10.02.16	1828	Swale Borough Council	Election Expenses May 2015	£167.12p
10.02.16	1829	Swale Marching Band	Donation 2015/16 – S.137	£200.00p
Five cheques in total				

Plus:

Clerk's Wages: January 2015	£755.07p	Paid by Standing Order
Eon: Energy Supply, Street Lighting - January	£41.96p	Paid by Direct Debit
Countrystyle: Hire of 110 Ltr. Envirobin - January	£32.50p	Paid by Direct Debit

9. **Iwade Localism Project (Swale Borough Council)** – Nothing to report
10. **Reports from Representatives (Village Hall and KALC)**
 1. Hall – Cllr. Gale reported that they have a new cleaner; remedial work on the floor and redecorating will be starting in the next couple of weeks.
 2. KALC – Agreed to defer appointing representative until the March meeting. **Action: Clerk**
11. **Any Other Matters Arising**
 1. Cllr. Gale advised that the Vodafone rural signal project people will be in the village next week installing aerials on some of the properties and the signal will be live as from then.
 2. The Vice-Chair read out an anonymous letter regarding parking in Sheerstone.
12. **Next Meeting(s)**

The next monthly meeting will take place on Wednesday 9th March, 2016, commencing at 7.30 pm in Iwade Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.