## MINUTES OF THE INKBERROW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PAVILION, SANDS ROAD, ON WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2023.

**PRESENT**: Councillors David Hunter (Chairman) Jane Neal, Christopher Burdett, Robin Lunn, Richard Jordan, Rodger Fooks, Anthony Hopkins.

District Councillors Nick Dawkes and Ben Hurdman.

In Attendance: Janet Cresswell, Clerk, Robert Wilcox, RFO.

Ben Price, DC Officer, Community Legacy Grants.

**Apologies for absence** had been received from Councillors Dinah Griffin, Elizabeth Jordan and County Cncllr. Laura Gretton.

**EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST:** There were no expressions of interest.

**DEMOCRATIC FIFTEEN MINUTES PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.** The safety of parishioners, highways and property was raised in the event of **global warming** creating flooding etc. in the village. The Clerk would enquire of Wychavon if they had any recommendations. Mr. David Willis, on behalf of the Bowls Club, raised **the inconvenience of the overflow car park being closed**, particularly at Match Meetings. It was explained that the closure had been decided for users' safety, the PC having received a number of complaints regarding possible damage to vehicles crossing the damaged entrance. Despite numerous enquiries it had not been possible to obtain the services of a contractor to do the remedial work before 25<sup>th</sup> September. Mrs. G. Allison expressed appreciation of **the installation of new speed restriction signs**. The state of the footpaths and curbs was raised by a resident and the **clearance of pavements outside the 30mph limit** would be raised with the Highways Authority.

**Mr. Andy O'Neill, who over many years has voluntarily been picking up litter around the Parish,** reported that asbestos had been left on the Layby off the A422. The Chairman thanked Mr. O'Neill for his work in making the village look tidy and it was Agreed the PC would refund any cost of equipment needed. The matter of the fly tipped asbestos would be reported to Wychavon Environmental Health.

Mr. Ben Price explained the detail of the **DC Community Legacy Grant**, a DC capital project, with £1m. available for Round 5 of the Scheme. Expressions of Interest needed to be given and would be reviewed in January 2024. As only one application per Parish was available, it was noted that two Parishes could combine one project. There were several stages of application – expressing community support, impact assessment, reaching a high proportion of householders. DC would make available samples of projects. The Chairman thanked Mr. Ben price for his attendance and guidance.

2523. **MINUTES.** It was Agreed the Minutes of the PC meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> July be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

2524. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING. Overspill Car Park. The Car Park would remain closed until the repairs had taken place on 25<sup>th</sup> September. Whats On. It was noted that the Whats On magazine would be back in print in September. Legacy Grant. When details of possible projects were received, resurfacing the overspill car park could be considered for grant aid. It was Agreed a sub committee be formed at the September PC meeting. RFO suggested cost of resurfacing was required in order that the shortfall could be considered. Bench in Playing Field. Cncllr. Fooks advised that the bench was nearing completion. Children's Play Area. It was anticipated prices would be received by the end of September. ICC Constitution. An initial draft had been received from the Solicitors and amendments were currently being considered. Cncllr. Roger Fooks would circulate progress to Members.

2525. **LENGTHSMAN.** It was Agreed a note should be included in the PC Whats On Report enlightening residents that they were responsible for cutting back any sort of vegetation on their property that restricted use of pavements or drivers' visibility. The Lengthsman would be asked to clear any vegetation obstructing any road/speed restriction signs and clear the entrance to the Allotments.

2526. **GRASS CUTTING.** Cncllr. Jane Neal and the Clerk would review the grass cutting schedule for 2024.

2527. **PC ASSETS**. It was Agreed the Clerk would obtain a list of PC assets held by the Solicitors on the PC's behalf and that this would be reviewed at the September meeting.

2528. **SPORTING CLUB INKBERROW.** A sub committee meeting had taken place between representatives of PC and SCI and notes had been circulated. Consideration would be given by both parties for a PC presence at SCI Board meetings.

2529. **POLICE REPORT**. There had been no specific problems reported in August, speed checks continued.

2530. REPORT PF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR. Ther was no CC report.

2531. **REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNCLLORS**. The DC Members noted that communication between DC and PC needed to be improved. The two DC Members had agreed to share the two Parishes they represented.

2532. **TREES.** It was noted work would be carried out on the tree on The Green in order to free branches from overhead wires.

2533. **FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**. The RFO had circulated the monthly report and it was Agreed the following outstanding accounts be paid: Clerk: £461.89, RFO: £159.87, Parfitt Services: £60, SmartCut £295.33. Tapcast Ltd: £32.34, Wellers Law Group: £1,200, Broadband: £42.54.

2534. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**. 23/01438. Hills Yard, Broadclose Lane. It was Agreed the PC previous remarks would be repeated ie: The proposal is outside the village envelope for development, it leads to a dangerous cross roads and is considered to be overdevelopment of the site.

2535. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**. It was noted that a meeting with PC, DC and NHP team had been arranged.

2536. **ANY OTHER COMMENT FROM THE PUBLIC.** Mr. David Willis drew attention to the considerable inconvenience experienced with Bowls Club members regarding the temporary closure of the overspill car park. Mr. Willis reported that the Bowling Green was in poor condition and not fit for purpose for competition matches. Any financial help from future Government grants would be very beneficial as the Club does not hold the type of finance that would be required.

Signed......Chairman. Date.....