## MINUTES OF INKBERROW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PAVILION SANDS ROAD ON WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2016.

**Present**: Councillors Christopher Burdett (Chairman) Elizabeth Collins, Rodger Fooks, Dinah Griffin, Anthony Hopkins, Richard Jordan, Robin Lunn, Jane Neal and Mrs. Audrey Steel. **In attendance**: Janet Cresswell, Clerk, Philip Gretton, RFO and Mike Pashby Press Officer.

DEMOCRATIC FIFTEEN MINUTES PUBLIC QUESTION TIME. It was noted that the WI were considering applying for New Homes Bonus money to replace the Village Hall kitchen, that the speed indicator signs had been moved/not working and that vehicles parking in Chaston Close were creating a safety hazard. It was reported that vehicles had been creating noise and damage in the early hours of the morning in the Village Hall car park on a number of occasions, that the barrier had still not been repaired and the school bus parked in Sands Road daily was causing a safety hazard for other road users. It was noted that the lack of public toilets in the area of the play area/playing fields was causing problems. Cncllr. Mrs. Elizabeth Collins explained that the Village Hall was required to be kept locked during the time it was being used by preschool children as it was a statutory obligation set by OFSTED.

- 2169. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**. There were no apologies for absence.
- 2170. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**. There were no declarations of interest.
- 2171. **MINUTES.** It was AGREED the minutes of the PC Annual Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- 2172. **POLICE REPORT**. The Police report was received and Members asked that the damage to the letter box in Stonepit Lane be further investigated.

## 2173. PROGRESS REPORTS.

**Highways**. Councillor Holt would be sent a list of pavements around the village that required attention. In regard the VAS equipment in the village Cncllr. Mrs. Steel was dealing with the repairs. The VAS equipment in Holberrow Green had suffered some damage to the post and meter readings were not currently being taken. Clerk would write to Tony Bromley and thank him for all his support and help in the past.

Lengthsman. The Lengthsman would be directed to spray the footpath from Sands Road along the main road to the Farm and to check the culvert under the road at the bottom of Church Hill. Neighbourhood Plan. It was agreed a decision regarding whether or not Inkberrow needed a Neighbourhood Plan would shortly need to be agreed. Speed Watch. Because of the time lapse since this had been agreed and the fact that some volunteers had moved from the village, a note would be placed in Whats On requesting names of volunteers. At least 6 volunteers were required. Tennis Club Lease. This was being dealt with via the District Council. Playing Fields. As ISLA had not met so the request for a litter pick after every match had not been made. Repairs to fence and gate were in hand. It was reported

that cars had been seen parked within the playing field area. It was agreed parking within the playing field area should only be allowed for emergency services. Cncllr Fooks would take this to the ISLA meeting. **106 and New Homes Payments**. Notification would be included in the Whats On report for all Clubs and Associations to advise that money was available within a strict criteria for grant aid and all applications needed to be channelled through the Parish Council and would need to go to consultation. An open meeting would be arranged in order that the application requirements could be explained. Cncllr. Jane Neal would include the information on the web site. **Car Park.** Chairman would e-mail Members with the new specifications. **Year of Culture**. The Year of Culture was set to take place from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2016.

- 2174. **REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR**. It was noted that unemployment was on a downward trend and that no libraries had been closed, but some had their hours reduced and some were run with the help of volunteers. £12m had been allocated for highways and pavements improvements and Councillor Holt would be furnished with the list of pavements in Inkberrow that were requiring attention. Cncllr. Holt would organise attendance of a Highways Engineer to look at the problems in Sands Road.
- 2175. **REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR.** Cncllr Mrs. Steel expressed concern about the apparent lack of interest the Police took on reported incidents. She intended to bring this up at a meeting with the new Police Commissioner. Fly tipping continued to be a problem within Inkberrow and any fly tipping reported should be left and not touched or moved in order that evidence can be secured. The DC were looking at parking in Chaston Close and flooding issues in Withybed Lane should be remedied upon completion of the development.
- 2176. **FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**. The monthly balance sheets were circulated and it was AGREED the following outstanding accounts be paid: Clerk £406.50, RFO £108.80, Lengthsman £220, Annual Insurance (AoN) £1097.12, Grass cutting £378. Playbark £1596. As Mr. Philip Gretton was retiring from the post of RFO the Chairman thanked him for the last year's service he had so efficiently and willingly given. A new appointment had been made and Mr.Robert Wilcox would take on the role of RFO at the next PC meeting.
- 2177. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**. The following planning applications were all AGREED to be recommended for approval: W/16/01498 WSE Ltd, Grass verge, Holberrow Green (underground cable) W/16/00990 1 Church Close, Replacement of garden shed, W/16/01419 Pinhills Farm, reinstatement of internal wall, W/16/01321 Orchard Lodge, Withybed Lane, Ext. and remodelling of existing dwelling, alteration to access, driveway and integral garage. W/16/01451 Barrells Manor Farm, Knighton, proposed internal opening.
- 2178. **NEW GRASS CUTTING SCHEDULE**. It was AGREED the area of grass at Chestnut Lane be rescheduled to come in line with previous schedules. It was noted that the picnic area had

not been cut to the hedge to include the area where the picnic furniture was installed. This would be considered at the next PC meeting.

- 2178. **DOG WASTE BINS**. There were currently 5 bins around the village. Cncllr. Elizabeth Collins would carry out an investigation into the need for more and the matter would be considered further at the next meeting.
- 2179. **COUNCILLORS'/`CLERK'S REMARKS**. Cncllr. Hopkins thanked everyone who had helped with the spreading of the bark at the play area and reported that one new water trough had been installed at the allotments, but there were difficulties in tracing the water pipes for the second installation. Following a suggestion from Cncllr. Elizabeth Collins it was agreed the School children should choose where the "Dog Poo" signs they had made should be placed.

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