

**MINUTES OF INKBERROW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PAVILION, SANDS ROAD ON
WEDNESDAY, 20TH OCTOBER, 2021, COMMENCING AT 7.30PM.**

Present: Councillors Jane Neal (Chairman) Christopher Burdett, Rodger Fooks, Dinah Griffin, David Hunter, Richard Jordan, Robin Lunn and Mrs. Audrey Steel.

In Attendance: Janet Cresswell Clerk, Robert Wilcox RFO.

APOLOGIES. No apologies had been received

DEMOCRATIC 15 MINUTES PUBLIC QUESTION TIME. Removal of graffiti from the bus shelter, the condition of the pavement from Pepper Street to the Church, the greenery overgrowing along many pavements and the condition of the paved area in parts of The Tuer were brought to the Members' attention.

ALLOTMENTS AGM. It was noted that some of the larger plots had been split into two and that the waiting list had been reduced from 8 to 1. Mr. Bob Berryman had been nominated to retain the position of Allotments Representative and had agreed to continue this appointment. It was agreed arrangements should be made to have the hedge at the allotments cut.

2900. **MINUTES.** It was Agreed the Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting were a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

2901. **PROGRESS REPORTS. Highways.** CC Laura Gretton advised that the pavement along the A422 from The Old Bakery to the School was in hand but a starting date was not yet known. The work would include another area of safe standing and bollards for the safety of children crossing to the School. **Lengthsman.** CC Laura Gretton agreed, in the absence of a Lengthsman, to forward Highways work requiring attention to CC Highways. **Neighbourhood Plan.** It was noted that a survey of the types of houses currently in the village was taking place. **Electric Charging Points.** Cncllr Mrs. Audrey Steel would enquire details of positioning, financing etc. from the DC. **SCI.** A draft 12 monthly Rolling Licence was currently being prepared for agreement.

2902. **POLICE REPORT.** It was noted a number of scams were taking place in the area and that a company resurfacing drives in the area were demanding payment for unsatisfactory work. Some persons charged with anti-social behaviour had been re-located and some thefts had taken place. The speed check through the village had provided an average speed of 26mph.

2903. **REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR.** Cncllr. Laura Gretton read out the current bus timetables but it was noted that the times were all under review and the timetables were frequently out of date. Cncllr. Gretton agreed to check the reinstatement of the signage on the Worcester bend. It was noted that Covid-19 cases had increases by 2% in Worcestershire.

2904. **REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR.** Cncllr Mrs. Audrey Steel would make enquiries in regard to the pathway at the top of The Tuer. The number of changes in staff at the DC was making contact difficult. Cncllr. Mrs Steel would check the lack of waste bin collection in Stockwood.

2905. **FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.** The level of expenditure for the current year had remained within budget. The budget for the next financial year would be required to be agreed in January next year and an

increase of 3% was recommended. Any high anticipated expenditure must also be agreed by January 2022. It was Agreed the following outstanding accounts be paid: Clerk £447.59, RFO £147.11, St. Peter's Church £525, Parfitt Services £70, Victim Support £200, Smartcut Ltd. £255.70, Broadband £32.52, Whats On £400, Hire of Pavilion £180, Ian Butler £203.22, Sheila Williams ££20.89, West Country Marquees Ltd. £779.70.

2906. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** 21/01980/FUL Leasowes, Stockwood. Demoliton of existing garage, new detached garage and change of use of land to domestic garden. It was Agreed with one objection that the application be recommended for approval.

2907. **QUEEN'S JUBILEE – WI.** It was Agreed permission should be given to the WI to decorate the tree on The Green during the Jubilee Celebrations.

2908. **BUS SHELTER.** Clerk would enquire of Harvington in regard to their 'bus shelter decoration. The School children would be invited to design and provide posters re the litter problem.

2909. **CHRISTMAS TREE ON THE GREEN .** Two suitable trees had been identified.

2910. **CLERK'S/MEMBERS' REPORTS.** The Chairman advised a number of the daffodils had been planted and that repairs to the Play Area had been carried out following the Inspection report.

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