

**MINUTES OF THE INKBERROW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PAVILION, SANDS ROAD,  
ON 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2023.**

**Present:** Councillors David Hunter, Chairman, Jane Neal, Christopher Burdett, Robin Lunn, Dinah Griffin, Richard Jordan, Elizabeth Jordan, Rodger Fooks.  
District Councillor Nick Dawkes.

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

**Apologies for absence** were received from DC Ben Hurdman and CC Laura Gretton.

**DEMOCRATIC FIFTEEN MINUTES PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.** The possible problem of roadside car parking during the building of the planned houses in Stonepit Lane was raised. The Decision Notice re roadside parking would be checked. The water leak outside the PO in Pepper Street and the manhole cover in the Stonepits Lane would be reported.

2504. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** There were no declarations of interest.

2505. **MINUTES.** It was Agreed the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> June be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

2506. **PROGRESS REPORTS. Highway matters.** It was noted that the new school crossing signs had been installed. Potholes in Stockwood Lane near All Saints Farm would be reported to Highways. The Lengthsman had cleared both sides of the road from the Old Bakery to the School, trimmed the tree in Chestnut Lane. Work to be carried out included strimming the grass along the pavement from the Worcester Bend to the Shop, cutting back the hedge in Pepper Street and strim the verge from the car park entrance to the telegraph pole. It was Agreed for public safety reasons the car park would be closed with immediate effect, with the lower barrier locked until after repairs had been carried out. Official users of the car park would be advised. *(Subsequently the barrier was locked from 20<sup>th</sup> July until repairs have taken place).*

2507. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN.** Mrs. Elizabeth Collins (on behalf of the NP Team) considered it would be beneficial for the NP Team and the PC meet with the DC. Mrs. Elizabeth Collins would forward a copy of the Plan to the DC and arrange a date to meet with them, the PC would endeavour to have a representative there.

2508. **SCI SEWAGE SYSTEM.** It was noted that three options : 1) install a septic tank 2) install a new pipe from the Club House to the sewage waste in a straight line 3) install a new pipe from the Club House to the sewage waste at a 45 deg. angle were being considered by the SCI. It was Agreed the PC would formally support the ICC on their action in this regard.

2509. **POLICE.** It was noted that attempted break ins had occurred at the Allotments. Plot holders had been advised not to leave expensive equipment on the site. The Police Parish Charter had been renewed as previously. The speed of traffic in Stockwood Lane had been reported. As the Lane did not have the criteria for a 30mph limit, the PC would investigate other means of slowing the traffic.

2510. **REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR.** There was no County Councillor's report.

2511. **REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR.** Cncllr Nick Dawkes drew attention to the new DC funding that was available with a deadline of mid-September.

2512. **FINANCE.** The RFO had circulated the monthly report and outstanding accounts for payment. It was Agreed that the following outstanding accounts be paid and that the RFO would seek the best investment accounts. Clerk £461.89. RFO £159.87. Parfitt Services £60. SmartCut £477.07. Plant

Troughs (Jane Neal) £35. Wellers Law Group – ICC Constitution £600. Broadband £42.54. Parish Games £89. Lengthsman £288. New build 106 money – PC would require direction as to how the money could be used.

2513. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** The following planning applications were recommended for approval: W/23/00334/HP 1 Rock Hill. Erection of boundary fencing (attention would be drawn to the fact that the original open plan of the estate was being jeopardised). W/23/01117/HP 12 Brecon Close. Ext to form larger entrance porch, boundary fence, drive and new pavement crossing (attention would be drawn to the fact that the original open plan of the estate was being jeopardised). W/23/01042/HP 19 Midsummer Meadow. Single storey rear ext. and side ext. above garage. (attention would be drawn to the fact that the original open plan of the estate was being jeopardised) W/23/00753 2 Council Houses, Sands Road. New porch and bay window plus side ext.

2514. **BENCH IN PLAYING FIELDS.** It was noted that the gifted bench was being renovated by The Mens Shed Group and would be in situ shortly.

2515. **PLAY AREA.** A quote was awaited for the fencing and new play equipment was being considered in line with the money received.

2516. **MENS' SHED GROUP.** Cncllr. Rodger Fooks reported on the current work being undertaken and Cncllr Ben Hurdman had expressed interest in their work.

2517. **ICC NEW CONSTITUTION.** Solicitors were preparing a new Constitution for PC to approve - when completed status would be achieved. Financial assistance was being sought from CC Laura Gretton's Discretionary Fund.

2518. **DIE BACK ASH TREE.** It was expected the ash tree would be felled to hedge height on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July. Plus required surgery to the tree on The Green.

2519. **BIKE RACK, TENNIS CLUB.** It was Agreed a £50 donation be paid towards the installation of a bike rack for the Tennis Club.

2520. **COMMUNITY LEGACY GRANT.** It was Agreed Ben Price (DC Communities Officer) would be invited to the August PC meeting to explain the details of submitting application for this grant.

2521. **SOLIHULL CYCLING CLUB.** A letter of thanks had been received regarding the recent road race through the village and an offer of £50 awarded for the PC's favourite charity. It was Agreed the donation should be sent to Air Ambulance.

2522. **ITEMS FROM CLERK/MEMBERS.** The treatment overflow in Appletree Lane had been reported to the Environment Agency. It was expected the Whats On magazine would recommence in September. On 26<sup>th</sup> August, a Classic Car Show would be held on The Green.

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