

MINUTES OF INKBERROW PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON LINE VIA ZOOM ON WEDNESDAY 19TH AUGUST 2020.

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

In Attendance: Janet Cresswell Clerk, Robert Wilcox RFO.

Apologies for Absence. There were no apologies for absence.

Declarations of Interest. There were no Declarations of Interest.

2627. **DEMOCRATIC FIFTEEN MINUTES PUBLIC QUESTION TIME.** No matters were raised.

2628. **MINUTES.** The minutes of the PC meeting held on 15th July had been circulated. It was Agreed the minutes should be signed as a correct record.

2629. **PROGRESS REPORTS. Highways.** It had been confirmed that SDL held the ownership of that part of footpath 63 scheduled for repair. The County FP Officer would be advised and work would commence shortly. SDL had also taken on responsibility for emptying the waste bin. The “footpath” approach to Ross Crescent was causing problems. It was Agreed this area should either be grassed or made into a pavement for pedestrians, but again ownership was to be confirmed. It was noted that the bannister for the steps from Pepper Street to the Church had been repaired. Chairman thanked Cncllr Anthony Hopkins for carrying out this work. **Lengthsman.** The clearing of weeds etc. from pavements around the village had been a problem for the Lengthsman as pedestrians using the pavements had not observed the Government distancing laws, making the work unsafe to be carried out. Cncllr Hopkins agreed to seek help from the CC Highways. **Neighbourhood Plan.** Cncllr Mrs. Audrey Steel was seeking volunteers to record and photograph specific trees and buildings of note, throughout the parish, which should be preserved for the future. **Sec 106.** (The Chairman closed the meeting) in order for the Football Club representative to advise on progress and money spent. It was noted that the work schedule was on course. The RFO advised that £19,584.86 had been paid leaving £9,970 to be claimed. The final claim was expected in September. Cncllr Fooks remarked that the new facilities would be second to none and that the Village should be proud of what has been achieved. The Chairman re-opened the meeting. **Deed of Easement/Licence.** (Chairman closed the meeting) The Football Club representative reported that the Club was agreeable for a Licence and was expecting this to be drawn up within a few days. (The Chairman re-opened the meeting) **Maintenance of car park.** This would remain an item on the PC Agenda, but it was anticipated that all users should contribute to the maintenance. **Press Officer.** The appointment remained vacant.

2630. **POLICE REPORT.** There had been no Police report received but it was noted that there had been an attempted break in around the Stonepits area.

2631. **REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR.** County Councillor Anthony Hopkins reported the CC had a good record of responding rapidly to Covid-19 emergencies, with very few cases being recorded in Worcestershire. Locally Cncllr Hopkins advised he would make enquiries as to the progress of alleviating the flooding in the Withybed Lane area and would report the blocked drain on the A422.

2632. **REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR.** Councillor Mrs Audrey Steel reported that the new MD at Wychavon DC had taken up office and that a new Head of Resources had been appointed. It was also

pointed out that a number of small businesses in the area had not applied for the Discretionary Grants that were available.

2633. **FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.** The monthly Report and Balance Sheet had been circulated. It was noted that a higher grade of Audit, with a higher rate of cost, would be required in the light of the level of 106 money moving through PC accounts. It was Agreed the following outstanding accounts be paid: Clerk: £444.06, RFO £144.94, Parfitt Services £50, Smartcut Ltd £213.08, Sporting Club Inkberrow £19,584.80, Allotment winners: First £20, 2 x £15 Joint Second £30, Third £5. Jane Neal Zoom sub. £11.99, Lengthsman £210, Whats On Publications £280. Cnclr. A. Hopkins Repairs to footpath £30.

2634. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** 20/01605 RJ 7 LL Leach, Great Knighton Farm. Proposed agricultural building for grain storage and associated yard. PC recommended approval. 20/01423 Carmichael Property Development Ltd. Erection of new dwelling, Barley Meadows. PC did not object to the proposal but if permission was granted requested a time restriction be put on all construction vehicles during the period of development. The area already had problems with on road parking and was currently under survey by the Highways Authority. 20/01099 (amendment). Members failed to observe from the drawings what the amendment entailed. Clerk would request more detail but would express support for an archaeological report.

2635. **REQUEST FOR THE GREEN TO BE USED FOR A MUSICAL CONCERT 11TH/12TH SEPTEMBER.** It was Agreed reluctantly that the request should be denied. The current Covid-19 distancing rules made it impossible for such an event to be held safely without breaking the rules.

2636. **TELEPHONE BOX AND VILLAGE AMENITIES.** Cncllr Jane Neal agreed to provide costs of repair and repainting for the Telephone box for the next PC meeting. A list of assets within the village would be examined.

2637. **THE DISSOLVEMENT OF ISLA.** Cncllr Rodger Fooks will bring the ISLA Constitution to the next PC meeting.

2638. **PRE-APPLICATION FOR SOLAR ELECTRICITY PROVISION STOCKWOOD.** As most of this pre-application was contained within the Inkberrow Parish Cncllr Mrs Steel felt Inkberrow should be involved in the consultation. This was noted but agreed that the PC cannot comment until an application has been received. If an application was received consultation should take place with other parishes involved.

2639. **MOTORBIKES AND THE A422.** The Clerk would write to John Campion asking for pressure to be put on the Safe Roads Team. Flyford Flavell would be asked to include Inkberrow PC in any action they may take.

2640. **ANY FURTHER COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.** It was requested that the grass cutting in Appletree Lane be extended to the second field gate.

Covid-19. It was Agreed notices should be displayed in the village giving thanks to everyone who had worked so hard to keep the village together and to give help to those who were housebound during these very difficult times and the current restrictions.

Signed.....Date.....

