

**Minutes of Inkberrow Parish Council meeting held in The Pavilion, Sands Road.
Wednesday 17th July 2024, commencing at 7.30pm.**

Present: Councillors David Hunter (Chair), Chris Burdett, Rodger Fooks, Dinah Griffin, Anthony Hopkins, Elizabeth Jordan, Richard Jordan, Robin Lunn,

In Attendance: Robert Wilcox (RFO), Paula Gittoes (Clerk)

Apologies for absence, District Cllrs B Hurdman, N Dawkes, Jane Neal

A pre meeting visit at the allotments for annual judging took place.

Democratic fifteen minutes public question time. No points were raised.

1. **Apologies** for absence were recorded.
2. There were no **declarations of interest**.
3. The minutes from the previous meeting were signed with typographical errors amended.
4. **Progress from Previous minutes.** None
5. The **action tracker** was updated.
6. **Highway matters**
 - a. Road closure: Earls Common Rd with the junction of the A422 Alcester Rd. 19th of August for 5 days. Drainage/ flood alleviation work by WCC.
 - b. Road Closure: Bouts Lane Inkberrow. 19th of August for 3 days. Air valve renewal by Severn Trent water
 - c. Road Closure: Churchway Piece. 20th of August for 4 days. New customer connection by Cadent Gas limited
 - d. Road closure: A422 High Street with its junction to Pepper St. 4th of August for 1 day. Replacement of manhole cover by Severn Trent Water
 - e. It was noted that funding had been secured by Cllr Neal and the shortfall would be met by Parish Council funds or via County Council. Cllr Neal to pursue **Action JN**

It was noted that diversion routes are based on an equivalent grade of road.
7. **Lengthsman**
 - a. It was noted that the Lengthsman had experienced equipment issues this week therefore no invoice was expected.
 - b. It was agreed that a village map would be sought and a date agreed for a walkabout with the Lengthsman to agree a schedule of tree/hedge cutting and mowing requirements for ongoing use. **Action PG**
8. **Inkberrow Neighbourhood plan**

No alternative date has been reported as agreed with Wychavon Planning by Cllr Dawkes. Contact Cllr Dawkes for an update. **Action PG/ND**
9. **Police Report.** No police report has been received.

It was noted by a member of the public that a camper van had been stolen from the Hanbury Show, and a handbag had been stolen from a car parked at the Village Hall on Polling Day.
10. **Report from the County Councillor** None received.
11. **Report from the District Councillors** None received.

12. Finance

- a. A discussion took place on the perspective fees for licences. The finance officer reported a line was attributed to such costs.
- b. It was reported that invoices for fencing, play area signage, what's on, had been settled. Outgoings anticipated for July included expenses, Smart Cut, and payroll. It was noted that the water account was currently in credit.

13. Planning

- a. W/24/01142/FUL Land and Buildings at (OS 9979 5842), Stockwood, Inkberrow. It was agreed that the Council would return a 'no comment' submission and that the Parish Council sought reassurance that Wychavon was satisfied that there was genuine need for the application.
Action PG

14. Any other business from Clark or parish councillors

- a. 'Buddy benches' were tabled. It was agreed to add to next agenda.
- b. Draft Complaints, Accessibility, and Code of Conduct Policy were tabled. It was agreed that these should be circulated to Councillors, reviewed and commented on via the Clerk, amendments made and agreed at August meeting.
- c. It was agreed that a review of allotment finances would be circulated.
- d. It was also agreed that the additional water trough requested via Bob Berriman could be installed. Costs to be sought.
Action AH
- e. An email had been received from The Tennis Club requesting any knowledge of rules/regulations preventing the Club placing advertising boards on the side of the club, facing the car park. It was advised that the PC had no objection if size and content were considered and that the CIO should be approached for their thoughts.
Action PG
- f. The EVCI strategy consultation period was discussed. It was agreed that this should be circulated.
Action PG

15. Any other business from the public

- a. Clarification was sought on the responsibility of 'Grip' maintenance in Holberrow Green. It was reported by the Chair that the Lengthsman is unable to work in a 40 mile per hour speed limit therefore the responsibility is that of the County Council Highways Dept. It would be reported to Highways.
Action PG
- b. It was requested that the Parish Council approach Highways and discuss the relocation of the current VAS sign to the South side of the village.
- c. It was also requested that the Parish Council approach Highways and consider turning the current VAS speed sign around 180° to capture vehicles entering the village from the north.
Action PG
- d. The Parish Council were asked who is responsible for grass cutting of the playing field behind the village hall. The chair confirmed responsibility is with the CIO.
- e. A discussion took place on the perceived lack of coordination between Wychavon District Council, the County Council and the Parish Council. It was noted by the Chair that County Council representation is very limited and this has been raised with County and, the District Councillors do prepare occasional reports for the Parish Council and do attend when their meetings do not conflict with District Council meetings. Email the Councillors.
Action PG

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Next Meeting August 21st 2024, 19.30 Bowls Club, Sands Road.

Apologies to the Clerk please parishcouncil@inkberrow.org.uk

Closed Meeting. It was agreed that PC representation would be made at Feckenham PC meeting on July 23rd 19.30 pm in the Village Hall.

It was agreed that a meeting should be arranged between the SCI and PC to discuss the condition 6 of the planning application. Cllr D Hunter, A Hopkins, C Burdett should attend with Cllr Dawkes, Rob Adams, Jem Teal

Action DH

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