

MINUTES OF INKBERROW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PAVILION, SANDS ROAD, ON 17TH JANUARY 2019 COMMENCING AT 7.30PM

Present: Councillors Christopher Burdett (Chairman) Elizabeth Collins, Dinah Griffin, Anthony Hopkins, Richard Jordan, Robin Lunn, Jane Neal.

In Attendance: Janet Cresswell Clerk, Robert Wilcox RFO and Mike Pashby Press Officer

Apologies for absence. Apologies for absence were received from Cncllrs Mrs. Audrey Steel and Rodger Fooks.

DEMOCRATIC PUBLIC QUESTION TIME. It was noted that the manhole cover outside the Bulls Head had still not been repaired. A proposal was received that the map case in the bus shelter could be used as a general notice board and it was noted that dog fouling was becoming a nuisance on the pavement in Stonepit Lane. It was agreed that full information in regard to planning results would be contained in future agendas.

2267. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** There were no declarations of interest.

2268. **MINUTES.** The Minutes of the meeting held on 15th November were agreed to be a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

2269. **PROGRESS REPORTS.**

Highways. Clerk would request the land owner cut back the hedge alongside Withybed Lane . The manhole cover outside the Bulls Head would be reported for high priority and the potholes along Withybed Lane through to Earlscommom Road would be reported.

Lengthsman., The Lengthsman would be asked to clear the branches from the trees in Chestnut Lane caused by storm damage. **Neighbourhood Plan.** Progress would be reported to the next meeting.

Community Speed Watch. This service would now be covered by the Road Safety Partnership. 106 Agreement and NHB. A meeting was planned for next week. **Play Area.** Cnclr Dinah Griffin suggested more money should be allocated for the Play Area as the play area would be used by a greater number of families than the individual sports clubs. It was noted that legal agreements made this difficult and it was also noted that the Inkberrow Horse Show had donated £500 towards the refurbishment of the Play Area. **The Year of Culture.** A number of events were in the pipeline to conclude what had been a very successful year.

2270. **POLICE REPORT.** There was no Police report.

2271. **REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR.** Councillor Anthony Hopkins reported that the donation for the Christmas tree last year should be sent to Inkberrow First Responders, that the electricity used cost £65 and that minor expenses amounted to £18.54. It was noted that the new footpath and crossing at the narrow entrance to Sands road would also improve visibility to the Alcester direction. Members were pleased to approve the proposals.

2272. **REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR.** Councillor Mrs. Steel was absent.

2273. **FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.** The RFO presented the budget and his recommendations. It was agreed that the Precept for the ensuing year should be £21,519. It was agreed the following outstanding accounts be paid: Clerk £416.10, RFO £136, ISLA £60. Lengthsman £192, Wychavon DC £88.34, Waterplus (Allotments) £13.27, SOLC Membership £100. Also that all Christmas tree expenses should be paid.

2274. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** 02517 Carmichael Property Developments Ltd. Land off Barley Meadows. It was AGREED the application be recommended for approval but only because it was retrospective. Had the PC been asked for comments prior to the fencing and gate being erected they would have recommended refusal. 02545 Mr. & Mrs S. Walker, Little Rock, Pepper Street. AGREED the application be recommended for approval.

2275. **ALLOTMENTS.** The RFO reported that the Allotments were currently in a financial loss situation mainly because of the water usage. It was agreed a review of the Allotments would take place in July following the annual inspection. In the meantime Clerk would write to the tenant of Plot 14 advising that the plot would be advertised as vacant on 28th February if outstanding rent was not received in the meantime. Clerk would gain knowledge of plot rentals from local Parish Councils for comparison.

2276. **BUS SHELTER MAP CASE.** It was agreed the map case should continue to provide footpath information and possibly information on the Millennium Green. Possibly sponsored by local businesses.

2277. **ROAD MARKINGS OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL.** The Safer Roads Partnership had agreed the need. Cncllr Hopkins agreed to take this forward. School signs would be an item for the February Agenda.

2278. **PROPOSED ICT COURSES.** This would be an item on the February Agenda.

2279. **CLERK'S /MEMBERS' COMMENTS AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AFENDA.** It was noted that Mr. and Mrs Fred Hunt had been invited to a Special Reception to receive a Certificate of Commendation in recognition of their hard work and efforts in the community. Cncllr. Elizabeth Collins would represent the Parish Council. Clerk would ask for more information regarding the cost of the Churchyard grass cutting.

It was noted that a Litter Pick was being organised for March. The Christmas Tree provision would be included in the September Agenda.

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