

Minutes of the Ivychurch Parish Council

12th October 2006

Present: Doug Suckling, Tina Knight, Edwin Lang

Public: 5 members of the public

1.	Apologies Caroline Solly	
2.	Appointment of Councilor 2.1 Martin Harris had contacted Doug to say that there had been no other applications for the post of councillor. Kim Bartlett was duly appointed by co-option. She was given the Declaration of Interest – which she signed and was given the Code of Conduct information pamphlet. She was welcomed by Doug.	
3.	Minutes of 7th September 2006 3.1. The minutes were approved and signed by Doug. The page numbers were corrected.	
4.	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes 4.1 Doug raised the matter of Martins Farm at the All Parishes meeting of 11/9/06 and there had been no further response. He made the comment that if there was no further actions then his only course of action was to take this to the press. He had been contacted by one of the local radio stations - Meridian Tonight. Ariel photos showing at least 30 caravans had been taken by a member of the public and given both to Doug and one of the local District Councillors. The local Housing group had written to SDC to ascertain if there was a housing need as there had been no response from the caravans with regard to any housing need. Other responses had suggested that there was a need for 6 families and 1 stated that there was an empty house within the village and asked why this was not being re-let. It was agreed that the housing needs survey had been inconclusive because of the lack of response from the caravans..	DS
	4.2. Second Home income application funding – nothing had been done as regards this year but possibly look at funding for village hall roof.	JS
	4.3. Sign at corner of the Gardens still blowing round in the wind- Doug to contact KCC	DS
	4.4. Eddy still had plans for the Village Hall – Tina to get the plans.	TK
	4.5. Website Training Course – 2 places had been held. Tina may be able to go. Possibly Kim and Caroline to attend.	KB/CS
	4.6. Signatories to bank account still to be done.	KB/CS
	4.7. KCC and ROSPA bills paid	
	4.8. ROSPA report – spray lines round the play area, tighten bolts etc	Any
	4.9. Revitalise plans for flat roof. Ask Pat if he knows of the construction of the stage and whether the floor is complete under the stage.	DS
	4.10. Final cut of the hedge was complete.	
	4.11. Invoice for Lions club to be done	JS
	4.12. Sign for the Gardens – KCC saying that not the name of the round and therefore not under their control. The sign is under the ivy on the Nos 1 & 2 and above the normal sight of vision. Js would try to contact the housing Department to see if they would move it.	JS
5	Planning 5.1 2 Hook Wall cottages has gone to appeal.	

	5.2. Clubb Lane (Brookland) – had appeared on the delegated list. It was the continue-ing use of 1 caravan but there appears to be more than 1 on the site. Tina would ring the Planning Department for clarification.	TK
	5.3. Application for replacement of overhead lines in the village. No problems with this application.	
	5.4. Melon Farm – to be dealt with under delegated powers – there was no objection to this.	
6	Village Hall and Green 6.1. Tina's neighbour Ken charged £10.00 per hour for labour. He would let us know the cost of clearance of the weeds and undergrowth round the village hall. Tina to chase.	TK
	6.2. The village hall flat roof was in need of repair – JS to get quotes for cost of replacement using long term felt or fibre glass.	JS
	6.3. The external kitchen door was in need of checking on it's soundness after the ground is cleared.	DS
	6.4. Judy had not received bills for the Electrical inspection or the fire extinguisher checks. She will chase this.	JS
	6.5. Check the Entertainment License is still valid too	DS
7	Treasurer Report 7.1.It was agreed that next year's precept would be the same plus 3% to allow for inflation.	
	7.2. It was agreed that Judy would get the estimates for the roof and work out a 5 yearly budget with this in mind.	JS
8.	Correspondence 8.1. Kent Car Share Promotion – Tina to look at	TK
	8.2. Community Sector Waste	DS
	8.3. Budget Consultation – all councillors participated	
	8.4. Report on Waste Sector	TK
	8.5. Resignation Letter received from Edwin Lang. Doug thanked Eddy for his hard work over the years. Martin Harris would be contacted. It was suggested that an advert is to be put into the Parish magazine to recruit a new councillor.	JS & DS
9	Questions From The Public None	
10	Date of Next Meeting The next meeting of the Parish Council will be 9 th November 2006 at 8.00pm Meeting closed at 2148	