

Minutes of the Ivychurch Parish Council

17th January 2008

Present: Doug Suckling, Tina Knight, Doug Suckling
Public: 3 members.

1	<p>Apologies: Caroline Solly</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of 5th December 2007 2.1 Minutes were approved and signed by Doug.</p>	
3	<p>Matters arising from previous meeting. 3.1 Kim had received a form from the solicitors which she had returned to them completed with a covering letter with regards to the site. The site in the form was incorrect and the covering letter gave the size and location of the land that was being purchased. The solicitors are waiting to hear from EDF. 3.2 Gary Whittaker at Shepway has been advised of the Parish Precept that is required. 3.3. Woodland Owen has completed moving the supply pipe to the village hall. Doug to chase for the water meter installation. 3.4. KCC grass cutting quote has been received – it is £490 plus VAT for 16 cuts. Doug to see if there is anyone else who would be competitive. 3.5. The Marsh Farm application which was re-submitted went to the Planning Committee and was granted. There did not appear to be any flood risk assessment attached, the Environment Agency did not foresee any problems and even though Doug had sent a letter suggesting conditions that should apply the only conditions set were those on times of working. These were 7:30 am – 6:00 pm, with the sightlines altered and there was to be no external lights. 3.6. Whitehouse land – The Jag Man – Sid Brown had been informed and said that he had started the Enforcement process. It would be helpful if the neighbours were to take pictures and times of lorry movements. Kim would chase Sid Brown about identifying the times of each unit (in words of one syllable). There had been noticed an increase in the number of lorry movements. Peter had an advert for the Operators License which Doug would object to.</p>	<p>DS</p> <p>DS</p> <p>KB</p> <p>DS</p>
4	<p>Treasurers report 4.1 The bank account stood at £6,677.57 at the end of December 2007. 4.2 There are 2 loans outstanding. One for £2,271.46 and the other for £1,078.97. It was agreed that the smaller loan should be repaid as soon as possible and Judy would write to the Loan Board to obtain a redemption figure.</p>	<p>JS Page 241</p>

	<p>4.3. The Audit had been returned completed with a requirement to comply with requests from Chris Jones. These were to prove that we had a risk assessment in place. Kim would type this up. Doug would sort out the Nationwide Account.</p> <p>4.4. The invitation for the public to view the accounts over the next 2 weeks was to be put on the board.</p>	<p>KB DS</p>
5	<p>Village hall and green</p> <p>5.1. The tarmac at the front of the village hall, which covered the new trench containing the water pipes, was very soft and it was agreed that Doug would talk to those people who parked on this area to stop doing so.</p>	<p>DS</p>
6	<p>Local planning issues</p> <p>6.1. Marsh Farm – consent granted as discussed in 3.5 above.</p> <p>6.2. Doug and Judy’s application had been refused and would be re-submitted.</p> <p>6.3. It had been noticed that the Planning Portal website was unreliable in the fact that it did not contain all the correspondence as Doug had written to SDC about Marsh Farm and this was not included in the correspondence on the website.</p> <p>6.4. Kim had been informed that Jeff Stack was no longer working for SDC.</p> <p>6.5. Martins Farm was still at the appeal stage.</p>	
7	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>7.1. Code of Conduct consultation document.</p> <p>7.2. Parish News given to each councillor.</p> <p>7.3. Wind Farm – SDC had replied unfavourably to complaints. Caroline would be wise to keep an eye on the situation, making notes of working times and taking photos on a digital camera.</p> <p>7.4. Invite to Canterbury Cathedral Service – no-one to attend.</p> <p>7.5. Request for donation from Kent Air Ambulance – it was voted unanimously to donate £100.00 only but this was not to set a precedent for charitable donations.</p> <p>7.6. Parish and Town Planning User Group on 22nd January- Kim and Caroline to attend.</p> <p>7.7. Independent person from Woodchurch had written to the Parish Council saying that they were in favour of the Airport. This was noted.</p> <p>7.8. KAPC meeting was today.</p> <p>7.9. Little Cheyne Court Grant Scheme had been announced. There were various options discussed which included applying for a grant for the front extension, for new play equipment, or for the kitchen to be re-furbished if the grant for the IAA had been refused.</p> <p>7.10. All Parishes meeting due on 11th February at Newchurch – Kim will attend.</p>	<p>KB Page 242</p>

8	Questions from the public. None	
9	Date for next meeting. Thursday 7th February 8 p.m.	Page 243