

Minutes of the Ivychurch Parish Council

22nd May 2008

Present: Tina Knight, Kim Bartlett, Doug Suckling, Caroline Solly

Public: 5 members of the public

1.	Apologies None	
2.	Minutes of 17th April 2008 2.1 Minutes were approved and signed by Doug as correct.	
3.	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes 3.1 EDF substation – cheque received for £3000 for purchase of small plot of land at rear of village hall to site new substation for village to improve electrical supply. EDF will liaise directly with any affected residents of Oasthouse Field. 3.2 Water meter installation still needs to be done – Doug still progressing re fixing leak before this is done. 3.3 Woodland Owen appointed to cut grass this year. 3.4 Letter drafted by Kim to submit to Shepway District Council relating to various matters in village but not yet sent pending approval by other councillors. 3.5 Ivychurch unsuccessful in obtaining a grant from the Wind Farm developers NPower. Brookland/Rye/New Romney received funding. Caroline will take this up with the head of funding at NPower what other types of application might be more successful in future.	 DS KB/ALL CS
4	Treasurer's Report 4.1 Judy unable to attend this month's meeting as Acting Treasurer. Official handover to new treasurer (Kim) to take place on 1 st June with any outstanding issues to be resolved by Kim and Judy afterwards.	KB
5	Village Hall and Green 5.1 Newly installed roof tiles damaged by children playing ball games against hall and this will require repair. 5.2 Kitchen complete but a bit of tiling still to be done by Doug. 5.3 Rospa inspection due in July for play equipment.	 DS DS DS
6	Planning 6.1 No new issues. 6.2 Martins Farm appeal held at Shepway District Council on 13/14 May. Doug represented Ivychurch Parish Council. Decision expected in near future. 6.3 Affordable housing options for area to be explored again, possibly by holding a drop in day so people who can't attend at night can express views. Doug to contact SDG.	DS
7.	Correspondence 7.1 Precept for council tax this year was 2.5% in line with inflation. Issue raised as to why Ivychurch's council tax is the highest on the Marsh. This will be discussed in more detail at a future meeting to determine	CS

	<p>strategy for next year.</p> <p>7.2 Planning Users Meeting being held at Civic Centre 7pm on Tuesday 27th May. Caroline to attend and report back.</p>	CS
8	<p>Questions From The Public</p> <p>8.1 Comment made that police were in village again last week regarding the speeding issue.</p>	
9.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>9.1 None.</p>	
10	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Next meeting is 12th June at 8pm</p> <p>Meeting closed at 2103</p>	