

Minutes of the Ivychurch Parish Council

6th November 2008

Present: Doug Suckling, Kim Bartlett, Tina Knight
Public: 3 members of the public

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| | | Action |
| 1. | Apologies
Caroline Solly | |
| 2. | Minutes of 9th October 2008
Minutes were approved and signed by Doug as correct | |
| 3. | Matters Arising from Previous Minutes | |
| 3.1 | Doug had looked at the Actions required by Rospa and felt that there was nothing urgent at present but we might like to look at some new equipment in the future. | DS |
| 3.2 | Electrical Testing – Doug having difficulty obtaining an Electrician with the required qualifications. | DS |
| 3.3. | PROW – Kim found out that it was not likely that we would get the path resurfaced as it was low priority and KCC had nothing in the budget for it. | |
| 3.4 | Village Hall – Meeting is to be arranged to discuss the Hire Rates and conditions for the village hall, it was proposed and agreed to hold a pre meeting before the next parish council meeting. | |
| 3.5 | Kim still awaiting audit commission information from Judy who is reconciling the spreadsheet. | KB/JS |
| 3.6 | Security Lights – Doug to contact Dennis the PCSO regarding Potential grants that may be available. | DS |
| 3.7 | Doug to respond to KCC letter regarding village green and the register of common land. | DS |
| 3.8 | New Romney Town Council –Have made our apologies for non-attendance and Judy will try to attend on our behalf. | JS |
| 3.8 | Kent Assoc of Local Councils – next meeting 17/1/09 need to discuss who can attend. | ALL |
| 3.9 | Traffic Monitoring - All local villages are having the same the same problem with speed and parish council decided to look at signage and possible pinch gates. | ALL |

4. Treasurer's Report

- 4.1 Balances and spreadsheet with Judy but the current statement showed £6,883.88 in the account. Although bear in mind several amounts to be deducted.
- 4.2 Kim given invoice for Chubb for the renewal of a 10 year contract which had expired in July for £200. On the annual check we had to have a new fire blanket. Also to look into the yearly payments of £70 which we make on top of the £200. KB/DS
- 4.3 Kim given the renewal of the insurance policy for Parish Council, this covers building/content/indemnity and employer's the cost of which is £694.56 to be paid by direct debit. Kim to check if there was a charge for the direct debit facility. KB
- 4.4 A decision on the precept was needed as it had to be in by 31st January 2009. General agreement that it should stay the same but a decision would be made at the next meeting. ALL

5. Village Hall and Green

- 5.1 The Fire Brigade will decide, and inform us, if they wish to assess the Village Hall for emergency lighting, smoke alarms, fire stickers push doors etc . They are currently in the process of compiling information on public venues within the district.
- 5.2 Meeting to agree the hire of the village hall rates to be at 7pm on 11 December 2008 with the council meeting following on at 8pm. ALL

6. Planning

- 6.1 Permission had been granted to Bridge House Farm with conditions.
- 6.2 Whitehouse Land – this is ongoing but they now have site security in a caravan which appears to be the residents permanent abode.

7. Correspondence

- 7.1 A bus timetable had been supplied to us which brought up the question of a bus shelter which Shepway were going to supply at one time. Agreed a letter should go to the residents for their feed back. Cost is approximately £2k. DS
- 7.2 Lord Lieutenants Civic Centre on the 26 March 2009 – no one available to go.
- 7.3 Committees in Control Code of Conduct. KB

- 7.4 Signage – KCC to endorse official camera site before camera signs allowed. Catalogue obtained but proved to be the wrong one.

8. Questions From The Public

- 8.1 None

9. Any Other Business

- 9.1 Because of the recent survey, Dave Barton of KCC was looking seriously at a flashing speed sign, but nothing would happen for at least a couple of months. P.C. Connolly would be in Ivychurch with his speed gun on Saturday 9th. The Parish Council was informed by a member of public that it needs to remain involved in any future ideas and actions regarding speeding as the county council will respond to the P.C. and look into any actions officially.
- 9.2 The Council were informed that plans had been put in for Spring Farm for a small site of caravans which were for short term lease for disabled/ handicap people, to provide respite holidays. Council asked to be supplied with plans so that we could discuss them at our next meeting.

10. Date of next Meeting

Next meeting is 11 December 2008 at 7pm for discussion of Hall Hire following on with the Parish Council Meeting at 8pm.

15 January 2009 at 8pm

Meeting closed at 21.35