

Minutes of the Ivychurch Parish Council

28th May 2009

Present: Kim Bartlett, Andy Daburn, Tina Knight, Caroline Solly, Doug Suckling (Chair)

Public: 4 members of the public

1.	Apologies - None	
2.	Declarations of Interest – None.	
3.	Minutes of 16th April 2009 3.1 The Minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman as correct.	
4.	Questions from the Public 4.1 The issue of litter in the village was raised, especially in the Wenham Lane area. Kim reported that litter picking was done recently but much of it is caused by the waste disposal lorries driving around with open backs. Complaints should be directed to Environmental Health and Veolia by residents.	
5.	Treasurers Report 5.1 Bank account balance at end April was £6087.90. 5.2 EDF bills for village hall are excessive and being investigated as there may be a problem with the meter. Judy has all the previous bills and will produce a spreadsheet of usage for review by the councillors. 5.3 Bills for Suru had been produced. 5.4. Judy produced the accounts and return for the Audit Commission. All parts of the return were approved.	Judy Suckling
6.	Village Hall and Green 6.1 Due to misunderstandings 4 residents have been volunteering and cutting the grass. Whilst this is appreciated, it must stop as liability insurance is required and the village is already paying a contractor to do this work. If a working party wishes to do this work next year then the parish can look at awarding this contract locally if the proper insurance is in place. Volunteers are more than welcome to come to the parish council meetings as there are plenty of other jobs that could be done.	
7.	Planning Applications 7.1 No new applications to discuss. Appeal result for ACW was notified – allowed to continue with cars as long as landscaping work is conducted.	
8.	Correspondence 8.1 Next All Parishes Meeting is 14/9/09 at Brookland. Kent Air Ambulance requesting to place a textile bank but other villages have had problems from these being set fire to and there is probably insufficient numbers of people in the village to make it worthwhile. However the council would support KAA if they want to do a charity collection of clothes through the village.	
9.	Date of Next Meetings 16 th July 2009 at 1930 13 th August 2009 at 1930 10 th September 2009 at 1930	

	Meeting closed at 2140	
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