

Minutes of the Ivychurch Parish Council

12th September 2013

Present: Rick Bailey, Tina Knight, Caroline Solly (Chair)

Members of the Public: 7

1.	Apologies - Andy Daburn, Julie Diplock, Adrian Knight (Treasurer)	
2.	Declarations of Interest – None.	
3.	Minutes of 1st August 2013	
	3.1 The Minutes were approved and signed by the Chair as correct.	
4.	Actions Carried Over From Previous Meeting	
	4.1 Village Hall Porch – Rick has sketched out the drawing required to submit planning application which will be filed with Shepway as soon as possible.	CS
	4.2 Bike Rack – it was agreed that an additional one can be sited outside the church opposite the bench. Rick to progress when location agreed with PCC.	RB
	4.3 Village hall heating/outside lighting – Andy to obtain quotes on options and report back at October meeting.	AD
	4.4 Car park – it was agreed that the car park should be locked overnight to prevent illegal camping and that IPC will write to the pub to request their cooperation in this. It was agreed to look into providing a sign on the car park to state no overnight camping or parking is allowed and possible a height restrictor barrier.	CS
	4.5 ROSPA inspection of play equipment highlighted no major non-compliance or safety issues. To be discussed in full at next meeting.	CS
	4.6 Parish Website – calendar now available online, we hope to block out private bookings on this to enable visibility to be seen.	JD
	4.7 Electricity meter – this is not covering costs of electricity being used and needs adjusting. Julie to check with Doug what is running from meter so we can make sure the right areas are being charged and then recalibrate as necessary.	JD
5.	Treasurers Report	
	5.1 Audit now submitted for 2013 accounts. Tina presented a summary of IPC financial position. Income just about covers expenditure at current rates.	
	5.2 Rick and Julie to check if any of the missing invoices for items identified in audit and pass onto Adrian are available.	RB
	5.3 £25 from meter given to Tina to be placed into petty cash.	
6.	Village Hall and Green	
	6.1 External Decoration of Hall – first quote received, second quotation required.	JD
	6.3 Grass cutting – whilst the efforts of the volunteers is appreciated, it was felt that an external contractor would be a better option for the village next year. This would ensure that not only is the grass/hedge cut, but also all waste materials removed and the surround of the village hall maintained as this is becoming unkempt. It would also ensure that the village is insured for any accident/damage that could occur. To be reviewed at October meeting.	CS
7.	Planning	
	7.1 Formal apology received from Shepway District Council re their lack of consultation locally regarding the solar farm at Old Romney.	
	7.2 Y13/0852/SH – Wind mast at Snave. This is a precursor to another wind farm on the Marsh. Council voted unanimously to oppose this development. Formal response to be submitted to Shepway.	CS
8.	Correspondence	
	8.1 No major correspondence this month.	
9.	Any Other Business	
	9.1 Art Exhibition taking place in the village hall 28/29 September – Free Admission.	
	9.2 A local resident raised the issue of cars speeding through the village. Unfortunately this is an issue across all villages in the Marsh which can only really be addressed by police enforcing the speed limits. It was agreed to discuss with KCC Highways and	CS

	ask if anything else can be done but there is already a restricted speed limit through the village but it is not adhered to by vehicles. It was recommended that residents report the issue to the mobile police van when next in the village, with details of vehicles if possible (e.g. any signwritten vans).	
10.	<p>Date of Next Meetings Thursday 14th November 2013 at 1930</p> <p>Meeting closed at 2045</p>	