

## IDDESLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

Prior to the meeting commencing the Chairman invited the following people to address the meeting:

There were no public present the meeting therefore the Public Session was closed.

### **Minutes of the Iddesleigh Parish Council Meeting that took place on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.**

**Present:** Chairman Councillor E Sweet, Vice Chairman Councillor J Moore, Councillor J Davidson, Councillor G Ward.

**Also present:**

- 1. To receive apologise for absence and consider if the reason for the absence should be formally approved by the council:** Councillor B Down
- 2. To receive any Declarations of Interest from members:**  
Councillors are reminded to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in any agenda items: none declared
- 3. To receive the Minutes of the Previous Meetings held on Monday August 7<sup>th</sup> and the Extraordinary Meeting held on September 8<sup>th</sup>:**  
Copies of which have been previously circulated to members and are to be agreed and signed as a true record of the previous meeting held on August 7<sup>th</sup> and September 8<sup>th</sup>. There was an amendment to the minutes of August 7<sup>th</sup> item 5.4, it was decided to reword this item. This was agreed by all, initialled by the Chairman and the minutes were signed.
- 4. Report by West Devon Borough Councillor:**  
4.1 Apologies were received from both Borough Councillors as they had other meetings to attend. A short report was provided to the clerk: the main focus is the one council [WDBC & SH] and there is a voting meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> October to finally decide if this is the way forward. North Tawton are against having one council. It was reported that devolution was 'dead in the water' but they are pushing to talk to central government who wanted a mayor appointed. WDBC do not want this as they won't have any powers and it is not practical to have one. Need to form good relationships so now looking towards other areas: low productivity, major link roads. At the moment it is all about one council.
- 5. Past Subject Matters for further discussion:**
  - 5.1 [5.1] Parking on the Green: a photograph was shown to the council of a vehicle parked on the Green. The owner is not around in the village as much as they were so hopefully the problem will resolve itself.
  - 5.2 [9.3] New Bench: this is now in-situ and looks good.
  - 5.3 [9.4] Drainage and Gullies: Jim is still working on the gully at end of lane. A pipe has been put in, the spring is in the lane and water comes down the road. Hopefully this will be sorted before the end of the week. Week road – highways are completing the works there. Pixton Lane – grass has been taken off the road and put into the ditch which is now filled with mud and the water can't run into the gully at the bottom. Councillor Reddaway knows someone with a digger who can clear this. Outside the Bradford's water is coming across the road and there is a large pot hole outside the Cox's. The clerk will notify highways about this. The council will write to Mr Bradford requesting he stops

Signed:



Dated: 04/12/17

Chairman Councillor E Sweet

the water running into the road. The drain has collapsed by the gate to the footpath. If he can do his bit the council can do theirs. There is money in the budget for gullies and ditches and do the work on our side of his land. The drain needs clearing. A letter or visit will be made to discuss this.

**6. Clerks Report and Correspondence received:**

6.1 Devon Highways: road from Chapel Cross to Waldons Cross – only pot holes classified as a defect will be filled at this time. Parish and Town Conferences: dates and times. The road to Winkleigh going up the hill near Oakleigh has a high grass middle which is causing problems to parishioners' cars. Broadwoodkelly has been notified but have refused to arrange for the road to be scraped clean. The clerk has been asked to contact Highways.

6.2 Snow Wardens and Grit Bins: need to check if grit required and inform Highways. Grit is Stored on Councillor Wards' farm.

6.3 Devon Archives and Local Studies: Our historic Minute books 1894 – 2013 are now held at the Records Office in Barnstaple.

The following correspondence is contained within the Councillors folder:

6.4 One Council SH and WDBC information

6.5 Northern Links Meeting Notes

6.6 DCC Connect Me

6.7 Health Services are top rural concern

6.8 Clerks & Councils Direct

6.9 DALC Annual Report and Newsletter

**7. Planning:**

7.1 2 Week Cottages 2023/17/LBC and 3107/17/CLE: After a lot of discussion the council decided that they could not make a judgement on this. It seems more for a solicitor to sort out. However Councillor Ward said he will show the paperwork to the neighbour to get more information for the council.

**8. Finance:**

8.1 Statement of Accounts: Current Account: £5,457.27 Reserve Account: £32.68 a letter was signed to transfer some money from the current account into the reserve account.

8.2 Clerks Salary & Expenses: these were approved and paid

8.3 Village Hall: this was approved and paid

**9. Matters for further reporting:**

9.1 A digital copy of the Treasurer's bond was made and passed to Councillor Ward to display in his museum.

9.2 Thatch End area of the Village Green still lays uncut. The council need to remind Alex.

9.3 No reply from Pat Whyer or Mel Stride to the Councils complaint.

**10. Confidential Discussion:**

10.1 Enforcement Cases: left Red Lane Cottage then to some friends before Barwick Downs.

**11. Date of next meeting:**

**December 4<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.10pm**

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