

Iwerne Minster Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of Iwerne Minster Parish Council held in the Abingdon Hall on 1st February 2010

Present: Cllr J Hooper (Chairman), Cllr Mrs D Benfield (Vice Chairman), Cllrs Mrs J Ball, Mrs D Croney (District Councillor), M Jones, R Smith

In attendance: Mr A H Gibb – Clerk to the Council
4 members of the public

Public questions: The following topics were raised. Signs for the Village shop and Post Office to be placed on the A350 - this was strongly supported by the council.

10/02/01 Apologies: Cllr T Payne, Cllr A Campbell DCC

10/02/02 Declarations of interest: Cllr Jones in item 10/02/07a.

10/02/03 Minutes of the meeting held on 4th January 2010. It was proposed by: Cllr Smith seconded by: Cllr Benfield that the minutes be accepted. Nem Con.
They were signed by the Chairman.

10/02/04 Matters arising. Village Design Statement was delivered to NDDC.

10/02/05 County Councillor's report. No report was available.

10/02/06 District Councillor's report. Cllr Croney highlighted the financial concerns of the Pathfinder mergers, waste collection costs, Blandford Leisure Centre update, Choice Based lettings scheme, Blandford fly spraying and increased police activity targeting motorists.

10/02/07 Development control matters listed on the schedule:

- a. Rolls Cottage **It was proposed by: Cllr Hooper seconded by: Cllr Croney that the application be supported. Nem Con**
- b. Tree Works - 4 Oakwood Drive.
- c. Tree Works - Bay House
- d. Tree Works - St Mary's Church.

It was proposed by: Cllr Smith seconded by: Cllr Croney that no objections be raised to tree applications. Nem Con

10/02/08 Pay bills listed on the schedule. It was proposed by Cllr Ball, seconded by Cllr Hooper that the bills on the schedule be paid. Nem Con

10/02/09 Parish Plan Action Points. The Clerk circulated a list of action points from the parish plan and explained that they needed to be reviewed before an update to the Parish Plan could be started. It was agreed that the Steering Group should be requested to lead on the matter and bring the list back to the council. The Clerk offered to draft a survey and covering letter for possible circulation with a parish newsletter.

10/02/10 To consider other parish matters

- a. Highways.** Drain on Tower Hill still blocked. A350 project continues, the contractor was briefed on 1 Feb.
- b. Recreation.** Four new trees would be the maximum for the recreation ground. Hedging contractor still being chased.
- c. Rights of way.** FP7 Diversion has not been completed. It was agreed that a cycleway from Sutton Waldron to New Road corner should be suggested to DCC.
- d. Vital Villages.** Nothing to report
- e. Parish Plan / Village Design Statement.** The Clerk agreed to circulate a draft questionnaire to be issued to the village in order to update the parish plan.
- f. Community Planning.** The TV Digital Switchover is due to affect North Dorset on 24th March and 7th April, there is a public briefing at the Sturminster Exchange on Mon 8th Feb.
- g. Abingdon Hall Project.** Nothing to report.

10/02/11 HomeWatch. No ringmaster messages have been left. Concern at bogus callers. HomeWatch monthly reports attached to the minutes.

10/02/12 DAPTC matters. Details of courses were brought to the attention of members together with the DCC Future High Speed Broadband survey on www.teamdorset.org.uk .

10/02/13 Other matters arising from recent correspondence. Environment Agency have issued a groundwater update. St John Ambulance will be fundraising in Dorset in the next 6 months.

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Monday 1st March 2010** at 7.30pm

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.50pm

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Chairman, Iwerne Minster Parish Council