

Iwerne Minster Parish Council

Draft Minutes of a Meeting of Iwerne Minster Parish Council held in the Abingdon Hall on 2nd November 2009

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

In attendance: Cllr A Campbell, Dorset County Council (arrived at 8.45pm)
Mr A H Gibb – Clerk to the Council
5 members of the public

Public questions: There were no public questions

09/159 Apologies: Cllr T Payne

09/160 Declarations of interest: Cllr Croney declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 09/165a.

The meeting stood in silence in memory of Mrs Jeanie Elliott of Oakwood Drive.

09/161 Minutes of the meeting held on 7th October 2009. It was proposed by: Cllr Benfield seconded by: Cllr Jones voting: Unanimous that the minutes be accepted. They were signed by the Chairman.

09/162 Matters arising from the minutes. Clayesmore School response to speeding minibuses. Barbers Cottage A350 trial to start on 9 Nov. Goalposts erected on the recreation ground.

The Chairman expressed thanks to Cllr Terry Payne and Chris Nadin for their efforts with the Village Design Statement presentations – 86 people had attended.

09/163 Report from County Councillor. This had been previously circulated to members with the minutes of the previous meeting.

09/164 Report from District Councillor. The report is attached to the minutes covering Telephone kiosks, waste pathfinder, fire prevention, Budget consultation and climate change inclusion within reports.

09/165 Development control matters listed on the schedule:

a. 2009/0847 Miles Cottage, Tower Hill. Following a discussion It was proposed by: Cllr Jones seconded by: Cllr Ball voting: Unanimous that an objection be raised based on overcrowding, roof lines, highways.

b. 2009/0754 Bower House, Watery Lane - Application withdrawn

c. Tree works: River Cottage, The Chalke – no objections

09/166 To pay bills listed on the schedule. It was proposed by: Cllr Croney seconded by: Cllr Jones voting: Unanimous that the bills on the schedule be paid.

09/167 Budget for 2010/2011. The Clerk briefed members on the budget proposal for 2010/2011. **It was agreed to defer a final decision until January.**

09/168 BT telephone box in The Chalke. Following discussion, **It was proposed by: Cllr Croney seconded by: Cllr Hooper voting: Unanimous that an objection be raised** on the basis that it is a listed item, the figures quoted are challenged, mobile phone coverage in the village is very marginal and that it is used. The original challenge made in 2007 stand.

09/169 Other parish matters

- a. **Highways.** Barbers Cottage trial starts 9 Nov.
- b. **Recreation.** The Wickstead rocking horse needs a new seat.
- c. **Rights of way.** Signpost required at Wigmore. Dunns Lane hedges need cutting back, Cllr Ball to speak to owner. Brambles along footpath at A350 to be cut back.
- d. **Vital Villages.** Cleaning of the War Memorial was discussed, quotations to be sought.
- e. **Village Design Statement.** Very successful presentation. Questionnaires due in by 15 Nov. VDS now being set out for printing.
- f. **Community Planning.** DT11 Partnership still has grant money available for projects; Cllr Jones to attend a course.
- g. **Abingdon Hall Project.** Andrew Kennard organising a building survey.

09/170 To receive a written report from the Iwerne Minster Homewatch. Mr Peters reported items of interest from the recent Homewatch newsletter which is circulated with the minutes.

09/171 To consider DAPTC matters. Members were reminded that the AGM is on 7th Nov. DAPTC Office staffing remains a concern.

09/172 To consider any other matters arising from recent correspondence. Email from Shroton PC regarding the closure of the footbridge over the River Iwerne.

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Monday 14th December 2009** at 7.30pm

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.00 pm

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Chairman, Iwerne Minster Parish Council