

Iwerne Minster Parish Council

Draft Minutes of a Meeting of Iwerne Minster Parish Council held in the Abingdon Hall on 7th October 2009

Present: Cllr J Hooper (Chairman), Cllr Mrs D Benfield (Vice Chairman),
Cllrs Mrs J Ball, M Jones, T Payne, Cllr R Smith

In attendance: Mr A H Gibb – Clerk to the Council
5 Members of the public

Public questions: Clayesmore minibuses and other speeding on Tower Hill.

09/145 Apologies: Cllr Mrs Croney, Cllr Campbell DCC

09/146 Declarations of interest Cllr Payne in item 09/153

09/147 Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd September 2009. Following an amendment to Para 09/141, **It was proposed by: Cllr Jones seconded by: Cllr Payne voting: Unanimous that the minutes be accepted.** They were signed by the Chairman.

09/148 Matters arising from the minutes. There was a discussion as to the reason draft minutes were posted on websites. The Clerk explained that only one copy of minutes was signed as final once it had the approval of councillors and that these went in the minute file.

09/149 Report from County Councillor. To be issued with the minutes.

09/150 Report from District Councillor. The clerk read the report which is attached.

09/151 Development control matters listed on the schedule:

- a. **2009/0754 Bower Cottage, Watery Lane** it was proposed by: Cllr Ball seconded by: Cllr Payne voting: Unanimous that an objection be raised due to over development, type of materials and proximity to the footpath.
- b. **Tree works at Corner Cottage, Higher Street.** No objections

09/152 External Audit Certificate for accounts ending 31 Mar 09.

09/153 To pay bills listed on the schedule. It was proposed by: Cllr Ball seconded by: Cllr Hooper voting: Unanimous that the bills on the schedule be paid.

09/154 The 2009 national pay award. It was proposed by: Cllr Payne seconded by: Cllr Benfield voting: Unanimous that the national pay award be accepted.

09/155 Other parish matters

- a. **Highways.** Cllr Smith read a letter from Mr Brown about speeding on the A350. The Clerk responded that the proposed works should slow traffic completely.
 - i. **Barbers Cottage.** Site Meeting was held on 22 Sep attended by Cllr Campbell, the Clerk, Steve Howard DCC Highways and Tim Spivey the new project officer. The plan is for a trial to be conducted with southbound traffic having priority. An update is awaited from the project officer.

ii. **Tower Hill.** Following the Barbers Cottage meeting DCC Highways agreed that the SLOW signs on Tower Hill are to be repainted and more added.

iii. Other works required: Peggs Lane bridge - road collapsing; Rose Cottage Shute Lane - pothole; Yew Tree hedge overhanging Church Wall; Gullies blocked on A350. It was agreed that the damaged posts at the War Memorial should be repaired.

b. **Recreation.** Cllr Benfield reported that the RoSPA inspection report had been received; most actions had already been cleared. Goal posts on the recreation ground are to be installed on Fri 9th Oct, any assistance would be most welcome.

c. **Rights of way.** Shillingstone Lodge, repaired. FP to Park Farm requires yellow disks.

d. **Vital Villages.** Nil

e. **Parish Plan.** Cllr Payne had circulated the draft VDS, he outlined the public presentation to be held in November. **It was proposed by Cllr Smith seconded by Cllr Hooper that the council endorse the Village Design Statement; Unanimous.**

f. **Community Planning.** Cllr Jones reported that finance is available for community projects through the Proceeds of Crime Act. Also Lloyds Bank have grants for projects.

g. **Abingdon Hall Project.** Cllr Benfield reported that a surveyor is being requested to report on work required to the hall.

09/156 Iwerne Minster Homewatch. The HomeWatch reports had been circulated. Mr Peters report that alarm padlocks were available from him at £10 each.

09/157 DAPTC matters.

a. **AGM Resolutions.** Following discussion, **It was proposed by: Cllr Smith seconded by: Cllr Payne voting: Unanimous that the motions should be supported.**

09/158 Matters arising from recent correspondence. The Clerk highlighted that NDDC are searching for a gypsy traveller site and also looking for volunteers to act as electoral registration canvassers. Collaboration on the Lengthsman Scheme was not supported by Shroton PC.

Following a discussion on meetings dates, it was agreed that the date of the next meeting would be **Mon 2nd November 2009** at 7.30pm. The date for December has to be confirmed. From Jan 2010 the council would meet on the **first Monday of every month.**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.50pm

Date

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Chairman, Iwerne Minster Parish Council