

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ideford Parish Council Meeting held online on Thursday 11th March 2021 at 7.00pm

Present:	Cllr David Fox Cllr Angie Carter-Woodwark Cllr H Bellamy Cllr M Crispin	Cllr P Jervis (from 7:09pm) Cllr S Oxenham (from 7:33pm)
In Attendance	Cllr R Peart (DCC) Cllr B Austen (TDC)	Mrs J Thompson - Clerk Seven members of the public

Item (a)	Discussion and Decisions (b)
001/21	<p>WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>The Chair opened the meeting at 7.00pm and welcomed all to the first online meeting of Ideford Parish Council. Apologies received from PC Clarke Orchard and PCSO Saul Bunce.</p>
002/21	<p>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodward, seconded by Cllr D Fox, and agreed by all to accept the minutes of the meetings of Wednesday 4th November 2020 and Thursday 10th December 2020 as a true and accurate record.</p>
003/21	<p>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS</p> <p>Cllr A Carter-Woodwark regarding the Millennium Bench during Public Participation.</p>
004/21	<p>REPORTS</p> <p>County Councillor Ron Peart</p> <p>Ware Barton Roundabout – Sight Screens. Cutting back vegetation on the A380. New funding pot from DCC.</p> <p>I have been in touch with Highway Asset Officer regarding Sight Screens and this is their response. These screens are passively safe. The uprights are fixed on a beam on the ground, anything above ground would fold on impact. The alignment of the screens has been selected to obscure visibility with as little screen as possible [this product is not cheap]. That means that they are generally perpendicular to the line of sight that we wish to obscure, not parallel to the road. They have all been installed on straight horizontal alignments. The vertical alignment of the northbound off -slip is stepped because it extends part way up the embankment.</p> <p>Other solutions such as earth bank or willow screens would not have been passively safe. The removal of vegetation along the A380 has been carried out as part of a longer-term approach to the maintenance of this vital route. Due to the high cost of working on the A380 and accompanying disruption to the travelling public, previous maintenance of vegetation has not been as regular as needed, so we have taken the opportunity to carry out more substantial works under the DfT funded Capital project.</p> <p>Our main aim is to improve visibility along the route, particularly approaching the adjoining on – slips, giving drivers a better opportunity to join the A380 safely. Also removing the vegetation to a greater extent on this occasion should make it easier for Devon County Council to maintain it more sympathetically in years to come. The contractor has left tree stumps and low-level vegetation in place in order to comply with the Dormouse Licence, which states that vegetation shall be left to a height of 300mm. An ecologist was present on site to ensure that no harm was done to any vulnerable species. I would also like to mention that all cuttings are being sent for processing as renewable energy.</p> <p>DCC have made available a £100, 000 maintenance fund for outside painting, street furniture maintenance, Town and parish’s can apply for some of this funding I will find out how you can apply and let you know.</p> <p>District Councillor Beryl Austen – read by the Chairman.</p> <p>Teignbridge District Council are going ahead with plans for electric car plug points and views are welcome for suggestions as to suitable sites for this facility.</p> <p>Plans have been submitted to extend a rockfall shelter over the railway line between Dawlish and Holcombe by extending Parsons tunnel. The current proposal is for an open sided rockfall shelter rather than an enclosed structure as previously considered.</p> <p>Teignbridge are working on a new housing strategy to tackle local housing issues. Priorities are to build affordable homes , improve existing homes, prevent homelessness and address rough sleeping.</p>

Constituents are invited to complete a survey to inform the Council which of these priorities are the most important to them and, indeed, if any others should be addressed.

I have attended visual meetings of the Full Council and a workshop on management of the pandemic affecting us all when councillors noted what had been put in hand so far and considered future plans to effectively manage the Governments directions for our safety and health for the coming months.

The Councils budget proposals were approved at Full Council.

The Council also waived the six months attendance rule under which a councillor ceases to serve if absent for six months and a replacement becomes necessary. An extension of three months was agreed in the case of a health issue which would be overcome.

Expecting face to face meetings in May with all necessary safety measures providing no alteration is made by government prior to its implementation.

Visual meetings of the District are well attended though Full Council took five hours with a couple of ten-minute breaks. However, all matters were efficiently addressed, and decisions made.

PC Clarke Orchard – Neighbourhood Beat Manager and PCSO Saul Bunce – read by the Chairman.

Monthly crime report/figures for the month of February 2021.

Crimes Recorded – 01/02/2021 to 27/02/2021

Offence	Recorded Crime 01/02/2021 to 27/02/2021	Recorded Crime 01/02/2020 to 27/02/2020	Recorded Crime % Difference
Violence without injury	0	1	-100%
Other theft	1	0	-
Total	1	1	0%

Incident Category	Incidents 01/02/2021 to 27/02/2021	Incidents 01/02/2020 to 27/02/2020	Incidents % Difference
Crime not recorded	1	0	-
Crime recorded	0	2	-100%
Public Safety	3	1	200%
Transport	4	5	-20%
Total	8	8	0%

Police Report for Ideford Parish Council – February 2021

Reported crimes from 01/02/2021-28/02/2021

Ideford (1 crime)

- X1 Livestock theft (remote field at Olchard)

Other matters

Please report any suspicious persons/activities and record vehicle registration details if used. Please contact the police on 999 if the incident is happening there and then, or by 101 (emailing is quicker) if it is historic.

PACT meetings will hopefully resume soon, subject to Government lockdown guidance. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 10th March 2021, 1400hrs (*cancelled*).

Again, this month we are looking to 'target' local **poaching issues/rural wildlife crime** in and around the area. If you see anything suspicious, please report as soon as possible. Any information would be greatly appreciated to assist with our plans moving forward.

On the 11th February 2021 Teignmouth Police conducted an operation to disrupt poaching in the local area. 16 officers in plain and marked vehicles were patrolling the area with the help of local landowners, all of whom have been recent victims of poaching/livestock theft on their land. Officers included, the force Rural Wildlife Crime Officer PC Martin Beck, Neighbourhood Inspector Andrew Tomlinson, PS Jon Ross, PC Clarke Orchard Rural Neighbourhood Beat Manager of whom was the OIC for the operation and PCSO Saul BUNCE. Members from Teignmouth and Chudleigh Neighbourhood teams linked up along with support from the Special Constabulary. Several local game keepers were also present, who with the permission of the landowners were deployed around the area covering Ashcombe Rural, Dawlish Haldon Ridge and Kenton to try to spot potential offenders/poachers.

On this occasion **no** arrests were made but considerable disruption was caused to any potential poaching in the area of which demonstrated an excellent example of the Police and the rural community working together.

Community Speed Watch is currently on hold due to the current lockdown. This will naturally resume when restrictions ease.

005/21	<p>PARISH MATTERS</p> <p>005.1 It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr M Crispin, and agreed by the majority to adopt the Ideford Parish Council Virtual Meeting Policy.</p> <p>005.2 It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr P Jervis, and agreed by all to remove the grass from around the village oak tree, add mulch, feed, and keep an eye on the condition of the tree and the associated fungus. It was suggested that a sapling be planted to the left-hand side of the tree, which could be used as a replacement, if necessary.</p> <p>We had one parishioners' response to our consultation and their views mirrored the parish council's.</p> <p>005.3 The date for the Annual Parish Meeting will be Thursday 8th April 2021. This meeting will need to be held online. The Annual Parish Meeting will start at 6pm and be followed by the usual Full Council Meeting. The Clerk will advertise the meeting and contact all clubs to ask for a report.</p> <p>005.4 As Cllrs decided that the picture sent to the parish council by Mr Davey was not the old boundary stone, they will meet on site after lockdown to investigate further.</p> <p>005.5 It was proposed by Cllr D Fox, seconded by Cllr P Jervis, and agreed by all to renew the contract with TDC to empty the dog bin on the Millennium Green and to reduce the frequency during the winter months.</p> <p>005.6 Complaints had been received about the untidy state of a field near to the church: the owner of the field informed the parish council that work was taking place to clear this. Offers of help to clear the field were then put forward.</p> <p>005.7 It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr D Fox, and agreed by all to change the parish council mobile phone number to the Clerk's personal mobile phone.</p>
006/21	<p>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</p> <p>The poor state of the Millennium Bench was discussed, and an offer received from a parishioner to repair it free of charge.</p> <p>Comments were received about a dispute over a hedge near to Longthorn.</p>
007/21	<p>PLANNING</p> <p>007.1 There were no planning applications to consider.</p> <p>To note the parish council's comments on planning applications made since the last meeting:</p> <p>20/02399/CLDE – The Caravan, Higher Colleybrook Farm Certificate of lawfulness for existing siting of mobile home for residential use The parish council objected to this application.</p> <p>21/00303/DEM – Lower Colleybrook Farm, Fore Street, Ideford Demolition of portal frame barn with metal and timber sidings and portal pole barn with metal and timber sidings and a lean-to extension to rear. The parish council supported this application.</p> <p>21/00306/NPA – Lower Colleybrook Farm, Fore Street, Ideford Application for prior approval under Part 3 Class Q (a) and (b) paragraph W of the GDPO for change of use of an agricultural building into two residential dwellings The parish council supported this application.</p> <p>007.2 To note applications withdrawn: 20/01937/NPA – Hayes Farm, Ideford Application for prior approval under Part 3 Class Q (a) and (b) paragraph W of the GDPO change of use of agricultural building to five dwellings.</p> <p>007.3 To note planning decisions: 21/00303/DEM – Lower Colleybrook Farm, Fore Street, Ideford Demolition of portal frame barn with metal and timber sidings and portal pole barn with metal and timber sidings and a lean-to extension to rear. Request for prior approval</p> <p>007.4 Planning Enforcement 19/02077/FUL – Higher Colleybrook, Fore Street, Ideford There was no update on the decision regarding the planning application for the siting of a mobile home.</p>
008/21	<p>CONCERNS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS</p> <p>None</p>

009/21	<p>CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE</p> <p>009.1 Balance of Accounts as of 28th February 2021 is £9,672.26.</p> <p>009.2 It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr D Fox, and agreed by all that the bank reconciliations for December 2020, January and February 2021 be signed by the Chair.</p> <p>009.3 To request approval for BACS Payments</p> <p>It was agreed by all to approve the following invoice for payment.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="245 293 1469 331"> <tr> <td data-bbox="245 293 651 331">£50.00</td> <td data-bbox="651 293 1011 331">DCT</td> <td data-bbox="1011 293 1469 331">Membership Renewal</td> </tr> </table> <p>It was noted that the following payments had been made since the last meeting:</p> <p>£723.47 Mrs J Thompson Clerks wages, mileage, and expenses £169.80 HMRC PAYE £36.00 CPRE Membership</p> <p>009.4 It was agreed to reimburse the Clerk for completing the iLCA qualification – the Parish Council's contribution to this was £21.60. It was also agreed for the Clerk to go on and study for CiLCA, at an approx. cost to Ideford of £150.</p> <p>009.5 To provide a Legal and Administrative update:</p> <p>NALC announce that the government has again confirmed local elections will go ahead as scheduled on 6th May.</p> <p>NALC legal topic note 87 on procurement has been updated.</p> <p>The Torbay Motor Club are holding their Classic Reliability Trial Sunday 11th April 2021, which will involve using some of the roads in the parish.</p> <p>NALC legal topic note 31 on local council general powers has been updated following notification by MHCLG of the appropriate sum for section 137 for 2021-22 of £8.41 per elector.</p>	£50.00	DCT	Membership Renewal
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010/21	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING- Thursday 8th April 2021.</p> <p>The Annual Parish Meeting at 6pm followed by the Full Council Meeting</p>			

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7:52pm.

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