

## IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 7pm**

Present:	Cllr T Hill – Chair Cllr A Carter-Woodwark	Cllr J Gardner Cllr M Batting Cllr C Hill
In Attendance	Cllr K Gearon (TDC)	Mrs J Thompson - Clerk Seven members of the public

Item (a)	Discussion and Decisions (b)
<b>053/23</b>	<p><b>WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b></p> <p>The Chair opened the meeting at 7pm and welcomed everyone. Apologies were received from Cllr D Fox and Cllr R Peart. Cllr H Bellamy did not attend. Cllr K Gearon, the newly elected TDC Cllr for Kingsteignton East was welcomed. The Chair gave thanks to Cllr D Fox for his years as Chair, through interesting times, through covid and tough challenges – his work was much appreciated by all on the Parish Council and parishioners alike.</p>
<b>054/23</b>	<p><b>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</b></p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr M Batting and agreed by all to accept the minutes of the meeting of Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023 as a true and accurate record.</p>
<b>055/23</b>	<p><b>DECLARATION OF INTERESTS</b></p> <p>Cllr T Hill as Millennium Green trustee. Cllr A Carter-Woodwark as Village Hall trustee.</p>
<b>056/23</b>	<p><b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</b></p> <p>The Chair reminded all of Standing Orders relating to Public Participation at meetings: Members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda. The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed 15 minutes unless directed by the chairman of the meeting. A member of the public shall not speak for more than 5 minutes. A question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question. The chairman of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given (or place it on the next agenda). A person who speaks at a meeting shall direct his comments to the chairman of the meeting. Only one person is permitted to speak at a time. If more than one person wants to speak, the chairman of the meeting shall direct the order of speaking.</p> <p>A request was made for a safer footpath to access the bus stop near the A380 slip road.</p>
<b>057/23</b>	<p><b>REPORTS:</b></p> <p>Cllr Ron Peart South West Regional &amp; Coastal Committee.</p> <p>I attended this committee one of the Improvements is Phase 1 of the Holbeam Dam measures were signed off in April 2022 following completion of the bypass, new radial gate and control building. A site acceptance test of phase 1 works is now complete, and final works to be completed by Summer2023 along with delivery of final documentation.</p> <p>The Final Business Case for Phase 2 work for the delivery of a new stepped concrete spillway was approved in January 2023. A Planning application for a compensatory bat structure has been submitted to Teignbridge District Council and new access bridge application to be submitted spring 2023. A bat licence for removal of old control structure has also been gained. Phase 2 is currently programmed to be on site in summer 2023.</p> <p>Reservoir stocks</p> <p>Total reservoir storage increased from 71% to 76% during March, ending the month lower than at the same time in 1995 and 2022. Storage increased by 2% at Wimbleball, at 5% at Roadford, and 7% at Colliford, to net storage of 100%, 63% and 56% respectively.</p> <p>Devon and Cornwall received 202mm of rain during March [203% of LTA] which is classed as exceptionally high for the time of year. Ten catchments received exceptionally high rainfall.</p>

	<p>March 2023 was the 3<sup>rd</sup> wettest in a record starting 1891, the last time it was wetter was in 1947. The Teign and Torbay and the Tamar catchment were recorded as the 10<sup>th</sup> wettest 6 –month periods [October- March] in the 132-year record and the Avon, Dart and Erme catchment was recorded as the 6<sup>th</sup> wettest period in the 132 year record. Rain started falling on the 5<sup>th</sup> March and continued daily through the rest of the month across Devon and Cornwall.</p> <p>Cllr K Gearon Still very much in the induction stage and doing lots of training, I would like to introduce myself as part of South Devon Alliance, an independent party. I feel honoured to be voted in to represent Kingsteignton East and Ideford and am looking forward to working with you and please let me know if there is anything I can do to help. Sitting on the TDC Licensing Committee and reserve for Planning and also Overview and Scrutiny Committees and I have applied to become a Town Cllr for Kingsteignton.</p> <p>The latest Police newsletter has been posted on the website and circulated to Cllrs.</p>
<p><b>058/23</b></p>	<p><b>PARISH MATTERS</b></p> <p>058.1 Declarations of Interests were received from Cllrs absent at the previous meeting. 058.2 Consent to receive agendas via email were confirmed by Cllrs absent at the previous meeting. 058.3 Contribution to the proposed hardstanding at the Millennium Green was deferred. It was proposed by Cllr M Batting, seconded by Cllr C Hill and agreed by the majority (Cllr A Carter-Woodwark did not vote) to contribute £2,000 to the Village Hall to assist with replacement boiler works. The money will be transferred once work has started. It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr C Hill and agreed by all to purchase a PC specific noticeboard for the bus shelter at a cost of £62. Measurements to be confirmed before purchasing. 058.4 Request to be made for school bus access during the forthcoming roadworks. PC to request that Butts Lane be resurfaced. Cllr A Carter-Woodwark reported that the works to repair the potholes outside of Stapley Cottage were substandard. Discussion on employing a contractor to repair potholes was deferred. 058.5 Sustainable Ideford agreed in principle to proceed with becoming a committee of the PC to benefit from governance over budget decision making, with further discussion needed at the next meeting over Terms of Reference and delegated powers. Sustainable Ideford to have a stall at the Autumn village event to promote carbon reduction schemes. The wildlife camera is being used and taking good images. 058.6 Cllr J Gardner to submit comments from Cllrs on the Devon Climate Emergency consultation with particular reference to environmental planning conditions and the Teignbridge area. 058.7 The Wildlife Wardens recently took part in the Devon Bat Survey, organised by Devon Wildlife Trust with results showing that out of the 17 bat species in the UK 13 passed through the area. Audio equipment has kindly been loaned to encourage swifts to nest in the church tower. Work being carried out by the Wildlife Wardens highlights the importance of the environment we live in.</p>
<p><b>059/23</b></p>	<p><b>PLANNING</b></p> <p>059.1 Planning application: 23/00735/FUL – Homefield Change of use of land within red line boundary to extend residential curtilage and construction of a garage and implement store. It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr T Hill and agreed by all to support the proposal and Cllrs were pleased to see that the application included a carbon reduction plan.</p> <p>059.2 Planning decisions: 23/00535/FUL – Land at Higher Colleybrook Farm Ngr 289704 77064 Agricultural store Grant of conditional planning permission</p> <p>23/00520/HOU – The Glasshouse, 9 Higher Colleybrook Conservatory attached to existing garden room Grant of conditional planning permission</p>

	<p>22/00899/FUL – Limestone Grange Siting of one additional gypsy pitch (mobile home) to existing Romany gypsy site for extended family Grant of conditional planning permission</p> <p>059.3 There were no planning enforcement updates.</p>									
<b>060/23</b>	<p><b>CONCERNS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS TO COUNCILLORS:</b> Notice to be put on the defibrillator and in the Parish News to explain that access to the defibrillator is gained by calling 999. After a noxious bonfire was lit in the village guidance and a polite notice urging people to be cautious at this time of year to be posted online and in the Parish News. Continuing water leaks to be discussed at the next meeting.</p>									
<b>061/23</b>	<p><b>CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE</b> 061.1 The balance of accounts on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023 was £17,263.38. The bank reconciliation for May 2023 was agreed by all and signed by the Chairman and the Clerk. 061.2 It was agreed by all to make the following payments:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>£443.02</td> <td>Gallagher</td> <td>Insurance</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£22.50</td> <td>Village Hall</td> <td>PC &amp; PACT Venue Hire</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£360.60</td> <td>TDC</td> <td>Bin Emptying</td> </tr> </table> <p>061.3 Legal and administrative update: Clerk has applied for litter bins in Town Farm Lane and Rixafer Road. TDC will monitor the areas and let us know if they will install bins. Cllr training to take place on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 7pm at The Village Hall.  Cllr K Gearon informed the PC of the Community Grant fund and urged the PC to apply.</p>	£443.02	Gallagher	Insurance	£22.50	Village Hall	PC & PACT Venue Hire	£360.60	TDC	Bin Emptying
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<b>062/23</b>	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2023. The Chair closed the meeting at 8:17pm.</p>									

**Signed:** ..... **Dated:** .....