

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on 10th November 2022 at 7pm

Present:	Cllr David Fox - Chair Cllr A Carter-Woodwark Cllr H Bellamy Cllr M Crispin	Cllr J Gardner Cllr T Hill Cllr M Batting
In Attendance	Mrs J Thompson - Clerk Eight members of the public	

Item (a)	Discussion and Decisions (b)
	PART ONE (OPEN TO PUBLIC AND PRESS)
087/22	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE The Chairman opened the meeting at 7pm. Apologies were received from Cllr R Peart, Cllr B Austen, PC Orchard and PCSO Bunce.
088/22	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr J Gardner and agreed by all to accept the minutes of the meeting of Thursday 13 th October 2022 as a true and accurate record.
089/22	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS None
090/22	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION The applicant for planning applications 22/01890/CLDE and 22/01891/CLDE explained that they were not on the planning portal and should not have been placed on the agenda.
091/22	<p>REPORTS</p> <p>County Councillor Ron Peart</p> <p>Police: We have a new Chief Constable. The Police & Crime Panel endorsed the appointment of DCC Will Kerr OBE. He is currently Deputy Chief Constable for Police Scotland. A very experienced officer, before Scotland he held senior appointments in the Police Service of Northern Ireland and the National Crime Agency. Hate Crime- 2,564 hate crimes were recorded in the 12 months to June 2022. This is a 46% increase [+800] when compared to the baseline year, the 12 months to June 2019. Despite the observed increase, it is difficult to make objective inferences about performance based on increase, or decreases in hate crime-victims may be more confident to report to the police. Conversely, the trend could also be interpreted as negative because it could be reflective of a 'real' increase in victimisation. 44% of all hate crimes were public order related and these were predominantly racially or religiously aggravated.</p> <p>101 Call Waiting Times-101 or PI [Priority 1] none-emergency calls are those calls that are identified by the interactive Voice Response [VR] system as high priority. These include calls relating to domestic abuse, sexual offences, hate crime, missing persons, and road safety. In the year to July 2022, the average wait time on the PI line was 17 minutes - this is an increase of 11 minutes 57 seconds when compared to the baseline year the 12 months to July 2020. Unsurprisingly, fewer calls have been received in the latest period, fewer answered and a higher abandonment rate is evident.</p> <p>Waste: Starting on Monday 3rd October for three weeks, a Waste Composition Analysis of residual waste bins is underway across the county. 1,800 residual bins will be examined and will give an indication of which materials are in them, A similar project was carried out some 7/8 years ago with some enlightening and surprising results.</p> <p>Recycling Rates 21/22 Devon County Council has retained its place as 2nd highest performing Waste Disposal Authority [WDA] in the country at 55.3%</p> <p>Covid</p> <p>As the weather cools down, COVID is heating up. Over the past three weeks those patients in our local hospitals [Derriford, RD&E, Torbay, and North Devon] diagnosed with COVID, numbers have moved up steadily from 51 to 138 to 185 so we are in a changeable position, thankfully we have not seen a corresponding rise of patients in Intensive Care with, just 2 on mechanical ventilation.</p>

District Councillor Beryl Austen

The boundary Commission for England is redrawing Boundaries in order to rebalance the number of electors represented by each MP. Consultations are now being held.

This usually results in local wards also being reshaped in view of the amount of new housing in local communities and, because of the large amount of new housing in our District, it is likely that once again our wards will be changed. Hoping it will not mean changes to Ideford.

The local Royal British Legion is offering financial help to members of the armed forces Particulars on their website.

The Councillors Community Fund is still available to Councillors for help with projects being organised by their wards. Funding still available if needed.

The Teignbridge Lottery started this week. Each ticket has a 1 in 50 chance of a prize with a top prize of £25,000. The first draw will be on December 3rd. 50p from each ticket will go to good causes and 10p will be placed in a fund to distribute to local projects at the end of each year.

Teignbridge recognises the need for a new look at the whole budgeting system due to changes in funding nationally and locally. Changes have been made to disabled parking concessions and other parking charges increased. More changes unfortunately to come.

Meetings of the District are still being held away from Ford House due to the continuing work on the premises to make those carbon free. However, there seems to be a new look to meetings and the Council does not have these as often as was customary before the lockdown was introduced. Frequently those due to take place are cancelled. One wonders also, with so many staff working from home, if it will ever go back to its original form. The current system has revealed savings in costs of travel and office expenses.

PC Clarke Orchard – Neighbourhood Beat Manager and PCSO Saul Bunce:

Offence	October 2022	October 2021	Difference
Violence with injury	1	0	-
Stalking and Harassment	1	1	0 %
Public Order Offences	0	1	-100 %
Total	2	2	0 %

Incident	October 2022	October 2021	Difference
Crime recorded	2	0	-
Public safety	0	2	-100%
Transport	4	4	0%
Total	6	6	0%

The monthly newsletter is available to view on the parish council website.

092/22**PARISH MATTERS**

092.1 The meeting dates for 2023 were agreed.

092.2 Discussion on applying for the Connecting You Community Grant was deferred.

092.3 After discussion it was decided that there would be no benefit in applying for the Tidy Teignbridge Fund.

Thanks were given to resident L Lucas for regularly collecting litter in the parish.

092.4 PC to place an advisory note in the Parish News detailing how to get technical support for broadband problems.

092.5 It was agreed by all to sign up to the Civility & Respect Pledge.

092.6 Clerk to request that DDC clear out all silt at The Pound or take responsibility for flooding. Water levels of the Colley Brook will continue to be monitored.

092.7 To receive any updates on roadworks, highways and parking issues:

The DCC Area Highways Officer to be invited to comment on the poor standard of pothole repair works outside Stapley Cottage.

Clerk to request update for the proposal to install double yellow lines in the parish.

092.8 A date will be set for the fever tree planting public event.

092.9 Thanks to those involved in setting up the Sustainable Ideford display in the Village Hall. Sustainable Ideford & Cllrs to liaise to produce a response to the DCC EV consultation.

Energy / Carbon Cutters Roadshow plans are ongoing.

092.10 A wildlife area has been planted in the church grounds.

The Wildlife Wardens are looking to produce a booklet for all residents on wildlife in gardens.

093/22	<p>PLANNING</p> <p>093.1 The following planning applications were discussed: 22/01887/FUL – Barn, Bowden Lane, Church Road Barn including stables and yard It was proposed by Cllr M Batting, seconded by Cllr H Bellamy and agreed by the PC to support this application. 22/01016/FUL – Larcombe Barn New entrance an access track It was proposed by Cllr J Gardner, seconded by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark and agreed by all to support this application providing the recommendations of the ecologist's report are made a condition of planning consent; and that these recommendations are agreed and followed. The following planning applications were not validated so not discussed: 22/01891/CLDE Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed siting of a caravan for ancillary residential use within the curtilage of the dwelling at Higher Colleybrook 22/01890/CLDE Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed siting of caravan to provide agricultural welfare facilities and agricultural storage in association with the agricultural operations at Higher Colleybrook Farm.</p> <p>093.2 Planning Enforcement: The PC were extremely disappointed in TDC's response to the hedgerow breach as the PC had proved the hedgerow met the relevant points needed to be protected. It was noted that although the PC as a body is unable to approach the Ombudsman to appeal the decision, individual Cllrs or groups of people can and Cllr A Carter-Woodwark has offered to assist anyone who wants to do this.</p>												
094/22	<p>CONCERNS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS TO COUNCILLORS</p> <p>Clerk to put a polite notice in the Parish News asking for those intending to let off fireworks give notice to residents. Bishopsteignton Preschool are looking for locations to place banners to advertise school places.</p>												
095/22	<p>CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE</p> <p>095.1 The balance of accounts on 31st October 2022 was £17,167.56. The bank reconciliation for October 2022 was agreed by all and signed by the Clerk and the Chairman.</p> <p>095.2 It was agreed by all to approve the following payments.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="284 1227 1487 1339"> <tr> <td>£22.50</td> <td>Village Hall</td> <td>Venue Hire</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£151.19</td> <td>TEEC</td> <td>Website Hosting & Domain</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£740.00</td> <td>Millennium Green</td> <td>Contribution</td> </tr> </table> <p>To note payments made since the last meeting</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="284 1373 1487 1413"> <tr> <td>£60.00</td> <td>Wildlife Wardens</td> <td>Projects</td> </tr> </table> <p>095.3 The budget and precept for the year 2023 – 2024 to be agreed at the December meeting. 095.4 LTN 9E on handling complaints has been updated. This was primarily to update a statutory reference in the table in paragraph 8 and to tie up and update language. LTN 5E on parish council meetings has been updated to give guidance on remote public participation at council meetings. The date for His Majesty King Charles III's coronation has been set for 6th May 2023. The National Salary Award for 2022 – 2023 has been agreed with £1 per hour uplift and an extra day's holiday pro rata.</p>	£22.50	Village Hall	Venue Hire	£151.19	TEEC	Website Hosting & Domain	£740.00	Millennium Green	Contribution	£60.00	Wildlife Wardens	Projects
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096/22	<p>TO VOTE ON HOLDING A PART TWO MEETING</p> <p>It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr T Hill and agreed by all to hold a Part Two Meeting to discuss the Clerk's pay scale prior to budget setting.</p>												
097/22	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 8th December 2022. The Chair closed the meeting at 8:22pm. At this point Cllr M Crispin made accusations against Cllr A Carter-Woodwark without providing evidence and this outburst was brought to a close by the Chair. Cllr M Crispin resigned as a Parish Councillor.</p>												
098/22	<p>PART TWO MEETING (CLOSED TO PUBLIC AND PRESS)</p> <p>It was agreed to increase the Clerk's pay scale to SCP18 with effect from 1st April 2023. This part of the meeting ended at 8:37pm</p>												

Signed: _____

Dated: _____