

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on 18th October 2023 at 7:15pm

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

Item (a)	Discussion and Decisions (b)
087/23	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE The Chair opened the meeting at 7:15pm and welcomed everyone. Apologies were received from Cllr R Peart, D Morby and R Aaronson.
088/23	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr D Fox and agreed by all to accept the minutes of the meeting of Thursday 14 th September 2023 as a true and accurate record.
089/23	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS Cllr T Hill for any Millennium Green items.
090/23	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION None.
091/23	REPORTS None.
092/23	PARISH MATTERS 092.1 The DALC P&TC meeting with TDC was attended by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark and Cllr D Fox – DALC report from the meeting to be forwarded to Cllrs. 092.2 Although the village oak tree is currently healthy, fungus surrounding it and living in the bark may damage the tree eventually; look at replacing the bark with gravel – advice to be sought. 092.3 It was proposed by Cllr M Batting, seconded by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark and agreed by all to award a grant of £250 to Citizens Advice Teignbridge. 092.4 The Parish Council meeting dates for 2024 were agreed. 092.5 There was no update on letters sent to South West Water. The Chair to attend the online customer meeting ‘Your Water Your Say’ on 6 th November 2023. 092.6 The advance notice for the installation of double yellow lines around the Town Farm Lane and Fore Street junctions is on display. 092.7 Sustainable Ideford is holding its Carbon Café event Saturday 25 th November 10am - 1pm. Budget proposals to be brought to the next PC meeting. 092.8 There was no update from the Wildlife Wardens.
093/23	PLANNING: 093.1 The following planning decisions were noted: 22/01887/FUL – Barn, Bowden Lane Barn including stables and yard for equestrian use. Refusal of planning permission 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. Refusal of planning permission 23/01202/FUL – Homefield Entrance driveway, piers and gate amendments (retrospective) Refusal of planning permission 093.2 There were no planning enforcement issues or updates.
094/23	CONCERNS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS TO COUNCILLORS: Fore St grit bin to be moved as it is partly covering a drain. The Pound has been cleared of weeds.
095/23	CLERK’S REPORT AND FINANCE 095.1 The balance of accounts on 30 th September 2023 was £16,814.24.

<p>The bank reconciliation for September 2023 was agreed by all and signed by the Chair and Clerk. 095.2 It was agreed by all to make the following payments:</p>		
£18.75	Village Hall	Room Hire
£15.00	Village Hall	Room Home
£1241.49	Staff	Salary, PAYE, Expenses, Mileage
£7.50	Village Hall	Room Hire
£151.19	TEEC	Website
£54.00	DALC	AGM
<p>095.3 The quarterly budget update was received with no issues arising. 095.4 Budget suggestions for the next financial year were requested by the Clerk – one suggestion was to combine the M Green and PC insurance which may reduce the cost of the insurance and the grant that the PC pay. After contacting their insurers, the M Green has been offered a reduced premium for this year, so the PC may be asked for less than the £740 grant. 095.5 Legal and administrative update: The Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance met to agree on plans for updating the Practitioners Guide for 2024/25. The second part of the precept has been received.</p>		
096/23	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 9th November 2023 at 7pm. The Chair closed the meeting at 7:59pm.</p>	

Signed:

Dated: