

IXWORTH AND IXWORTH THORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Ixworth & Ixworth Thorpe Parish Council meeting held at Manor Farm, Ixworth Thorpe on 14th April 2010 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllr Teresa Plummer (Chairman) Cllr John Sharpe (Vice-Chairman) Cllrs David Reeve, Sophia Wilson, Cathy Goodson, Roy McFruin, Pam Shelton, and Nick Laughton.

Also Present: Mandy Adlington (Parish Clerk), C Cllr Joanna Spicer, B Cllr John Griffiths

1. Apologies

Cllr Fairgrieve.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Goodson (personal).

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

It was resolved that the Chairman sign the minutes of the previous meetings (March 10th 2010) as a true record of that meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

4. Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

5. Report from C Cllr Joanna Spicer (including permissive footpath)

C Cllr Spicer reported that two roadwork schemes would be going ahead this financial year. The first scheme, which hopefully would be started soon, would be the resurfacing of the footpath from Commister Lane, through the Churchyard, to the High Street. C Cllr is putting £1000 from her locality budget for this project. The Parish Council requested confirmation that the new kissing gate is included in this plan. Also, the build outs on the corner of the junction from Commister Lane into the High Street would be the other project. It was felt that perhaps a site meeting could be arranged to further discuss this plan. C Cllr also updated the Parish Council on the new yellow lines planned for the village. The project would hopefully be started soon and the Council was also informed that the village hall car park sign was going to be moved to make it more visible. C Cllr had also received a request from the Doctors surgery requesting a sign to direct residents to the surgery, the Council confirmed they were happy for this to go ahead. With reference to the permissive footpath C Cllr Spicer confirmed that the youth offending team would be clearing and laying the footpath soon.

6. Report from Borough Councillor John Griffiths

B Cllr Griffiths confirmed that the market in Bury St Edmunds was not going to be privatised. B Cllr Griffiths wished once again to reiterate that the Arc shopping development had been successful for the whole of the town. Unfortunately, the Corn Exchange is surplus to the Borough Councils as it does not conform to various disability laws etc. but there were several parties interested in taking it on.

7. Police Report

See attached report.

Meeting Reconvened

8. Accounts

The following accounts were approved for payment

Chq No's 444/445	A Adlington/S Wilson	Wages	£822.10
Chq No 446	Suffolk Acre	Membership	£25
Chq No 447	SALC	Membership	£594.80
Chq No 448	RBA Solutions	Accounts	£117.50
Chq No 449	Mr B Lord (Speedbird Prom)	Website Grant	£750

9. Planning Applications

SE/10/0259 – Erection of two 1 ½ storey detached dwellings with garaging and parking (revised scheme) as supported by letter and plan received 12th March 2010 clarifying access arrangements. **Objection due to vehicular access**

SE/10/0308 – Construction of swimming pool – Oak View, 3 River View, Stow Rd, Ixworth
No objection

SE/10/0330 – Erection of single storey rear extension, 27 High Street, Ixworth
No objection

SE/10/0355 – Erection of two storey extension, 15 Street Farm Lane, Ixworth **No objection**

10. Determined Applications

TCA10/1878 – Trees in Conservation Area Notification – Fell one Leylandii tree and one Oak tree, Sunnyside, Commister Lane, Ixworth. **Granted**

11. Play Area

Cllr Plummer reported that the open day held yesterday 13th April 2010 had been a good success. A range of ages had been along and most had been pleased with the plans, and also a few suggestions had been forthcoming. It was now time to send in all the final funding applications.

12. St Mary's Church

The Clerk reported that there had been many replies to the article in the recent addition of the village magazine, with most replies favouring the Church bells ringing 24hrs a day. Cllr Plummer presented a letter that she had received that day from Rev Garbett requesting a discussion with the Parish Council as he felt that it was not the Parish Councils decision to make. The Clerk was instructed to arrange this.

13. Correspondence

Four items had been received during the month three from St Eds concerning the Wos Up project, the village of the year award and the confirmation the of 2010/11 precept payment. The other item was from SALC with the latest briefing updates and the membership invoice. The Wos Up letter was passed to C Shelton (Chairman of VH Committee) as the caravan is sited on VH property.

14. Chairman's Report

No report.

15. Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported that she had been notified that the two telephone kiosks in the Parish would not be removed at this time.

The Clerk also reported that after the drop in session about the LDF on Tuesday 20th April at the Village Hall there would be a presentation to Parish Councillors from 7pm onwards.

16. Councillors Report's

Cllr Reeve reported that there had been once again fly tipping at Wood St and two other locations.

Cllr Laughton reported that he would be chasing up the placing of bollards at the junction of The Paddocks and Commister Lane. Cllr Laughton also reported that the Cobbled area was still ongoing and he and Cllr Wilson would be meeting soon to move the project along.

Cllr Shelton once again reported that residents were still unhappy about the road surface in Crown Lane.

Cllr McFruin was concerned about the verbal attack that had happened on a member of staff in the Library. Cllr McFruin also wanted to highlight the condition of a flint wall in Bury Rd, the Clerk was instructed to write to the resident concerned highlighting these concerns.

Cllr Goodson wished to know if the Christmas trees in the VH car park would be removed soon, Cllr Plummer assured her that the VH Committee would be dealing with this matter.

Cllr Sharpe reported that the 'free trees' had been delivered and wished to thank Cllr Laughton for planting them all near the permissive footpath.

17. Date of the Next Meeting & Date of Annual Parish Meeting

The date of the next meeting will be 12th May 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. This will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting. The date of the Annual Parish Meeting will be Thursday 29th May at 6.30pm in the Village Hall.

Cllr Plummer wished to thank Cllr Wilson for allowing the Parish Council to hold this months meeting at Manor Farm.

With no further business the meeting closed at 10.10pm