IXWORTH AND IXWORTH THORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Ixworth & Ixworth Thorpe Parish Council meeting held at Ixworth Village Hall on 28th September 2009 at 7pm

Present: Cllr Teresa Plummer (Chairman) Cllrs David Reeve, Roy McFruin, Pam Shelton and Alison Fairgrieve.

Also Present: Mandy Adlington (Parish Clerk), C Cllr Joanna Spicer, B Cllr John Griffiths and three members of the public.

1. Apologies

Cllrs John Sharpe, Sophia Wilson, Cathy Goodson and Nick Laughton

Meeting adjourned

2. Public Forum/Website

The continuation of the website was discussed fully. All members of the public contributed to the discussions that took place. After the discussions the following votes took place; It was proposed by Cllr McFruin and seconded by Cllr Fairgrieve that the Parish Council support the two websites for the village (One-Suffolk & Mr Lords village website), this proposal was agreed by all.

It was proposed by Cllr McFruin and seconded by Cllr Fairgrieve that a grant of £750 from Section 137 is made to Mr Lord to continue with his website. Cllr Plummer requested a recorded vote. The result of the vote was as follows – 3 in favour and 2 against. Cllr McFruin, Cllr Fairgrieve and Cllr Reeve were in favour and Cllr Plummer and Cllr Shelton were against.

Meeting reconvened

2. Local Development Framework

Discussions took place about the latest LDF booklets that had been submitted to the Parish Council. In general it was decided that some development would be beneficial to the village so long as core amenities could cope with the extra residents. It was also decided to stress to the Borough Council that the village needed extra open spaces and play areas if more housing were to be built.

In the Sites and Allocations booklet a new area had been highlighted for possible development. Cllr Reeve declared a prejudicial interest and left the room whilst this item was discussed. In relation to this new area (WS43 on plan) it was agreed by the members that this area was unsuitable for development. It was felt that as it was on the other side of the by-pass it would be separate from the village and as highlighted in the booklet this area is already designated 'Countryside'.

The Chairman and Clerk were issued the task of compiling the Council reply using all points raised at this meeting.

With no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm	no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.	
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