

IWXORTH AND IWXORTH THORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Ixworth & Ixworth Thorpe Parish Council meeting held at Ixworth Village Hall on 8th January at 7:30pm

Present: Cllr Teresa Plummer (Chairman) Cllrs David Reeve, Sophia Wilson, Nick Laughton, Roy McFruin, Pam Shelton, Ben Lord, Trevor Anderson and Richard Courtneil.

Also Present: Mandy Adlington (Parish Clerk), C Cllr Joanna Spicer and one member of the public.

Apologies for Absence

None.

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was resolved that the Chairman sign the minutes as a true record of the meeting held on 12th December 2013.

4. Matters Arising from Minutes

None.

Meeting adjourned

5. Public Forum

No comment.

Meeting Reconvened

The Chairman read the following report received via email from St Eds Rural North SNT (Safer Neighbourhood Team)

Firstly the SNT would like to thank the Chairman, the Council and the community for their continued support.

There has been one change to the staff on the Safer Neighbourhood Team, PC Simon Collins has moved onto another department, and has been replaced by PC 1639 Andre DeJongh, who will be your dedicated PC. PCSO 3268 Claire Teakle remains your dedicated PCSO

Crime Statistics for the Parish to 08/01/2014

There has been one crime of interest recorded in the Parish since the last meeting:

Theft other – between 17th and 19th December approx. 1200 litres of heating oil was stolen from a property on Stow Road

The Chairman stated item 11 would be discussed at this point of the meeting as C Cllr Joanna Spicer had attended to take part in the discussion.

11. Crown Lane (Rural Vision 2031)

C Cllr Spicer reported that she had been invited to speak at the Rural 2031 on February 11th 2014.

C Cllr Spicer wished to confirm that the Parish Council were happy for her to make the following comments in reference to future developments with Ixworth:

- Revise the current Crown Lane Masterplan
- Establish new open space for outdoor activity
- New access to Cemetery
- New Road from By-pass & Vehicular access from approved Free School
- Provision for area designated 'education' as Crown Lane Primary school is already full (before new developments)
- Discuss further options for sage crossing of A143

It was resolved that C Cllr Spicer could discuss the above points with the backing of the Parish Council.

It was resolved that the Chairman Cllr Teresa Plummer also apply to speak to reinforce the views of the Parish Council.

6. Planning Applications

DC/13/0947 – Beech tree – cut back to previous cutting points – Parklands, High Street, Ixworth

No objection

7. Determined Applications

None.

8. Accounts

It was resolved to pay the following accounts;

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| Chq No's 781/782 | Wages | £948.86 |
| Chq No's 783 | Clarks of Walsham | £70.89 |
| Chq No 784 | AJ Wheelie Bin Cleaning | £10.00 |
| Chq No 785 | Ixworth Village Hall | £318.00 |
| Chq No 786 | JK 7 GA Agnew Woods | £264.00 |
| Chq No 787 | Viking | £414.40 |

The RFO was authorised to transfer £2000 by on-line transfer from the reserve account to the community account.

9. Ixworth Cemetery/St Mary's Churchyard

The Clerk reported that she had now received two quotes for the work that needed completing in St Mary's Churchyard. Quotes were received from Mr D Thrower and M&TJ's Gardening Services. It was resolved to accept the quote from M&TJ's Gardening services. The Clerk was instructed to inform both parties of the Councils decision.

Cllr Courtnell presented two quotes for further work to be carried out on the Cemetery gates. Quotes received were £726 + VAT for adding rosettes to the large gate and £60 to make two finials to fit on the large gate posts. It was resolved to accept these quotes and Cllr Courtnell agreed to arrange to have the work completed. It was also agreed that Cllr Courtnell could hire a grinder to remove the current tops on the gate posts.

10. Correspondence

The following correspondence was received;

Mike Breffit – Military Tattoo in June

Steve Wilson – Monthly update

PCSO Hollie Cogman – Parking problems in Thetford Road

F.O.I.L. – Christmas Card

John Shepherd – Concerns about Garage in Stow Road

John Sharpe – Request under Freedom of Information

The Clerk was instructed to supply Mr Sharpe with the information he had requested. The Clerk was also instructed to contact St Edmundsbury Borough Council with Mr Shepherd's concerns.

11. Crown Lane

See above.

12. Robins Copse

It was agreed to move this item to February's meeting.

13. Peacock Rise

Cllr Lord reported that Havebury Housing had confirmed that they would be installing some fencing opposite the new parking spaces. Havebury Housing was installing the fencing to stop cars being parked on the grass verges.

14. Chairman's Report

No report.

15. Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported the following;

The new notice board had been delivered
3 grit bins need replacing

Cllr Mcfruin & Cllr Laughton volunteered to install the new notice board at the Village Hall.
The Clerk was instructed to purchase two new grit bins and have them installed.

16. Councillors Report's

Cllr Laughton read Steve Wilsons monthly report. Cllr Laughton also reported that two fence panels had been damaged at the play area in the recent storms. The Clerk was instructed to get the panels repaired.
Cllr McFruin reported that the damaged and missing signs on the walks around Ixworth had still not been repaired or fitted. The Clerk was instructed to contact the Rights of Way team at S.C.C.

With no further business the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

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Date