Ide Parish Meeting 7.30pm 9th March 2016

**Chairman: Barry Hookins**

**Clerk: Susan Hayes**

Proposer of Poll Question: Peter Hayes, 46a High Street, Ide, Exeter EX2 9RW

Proposed Poll Question

**"Are you in favour of the proposed Park and Ride Scheme at Round Field near Ide ?"**

Apologies sent by Brenda Spivey, Andy Plance and Sonia Medland

Attendance 90

**Chairman:** Opened meeting and makes it clear this is not a Parish Council meeting and sets out the format required for a Parish Meeting and informs attendees that a poll will be paid for by the Parish Council and informs that only Ide Parish electors may speak or vote.

**Richard Sharman**: Introduces the matter of a Parish Poll, points out that many residents are concerned about Park & Ride (P&R) plans, that the published plans are different to those consulted on and that consultation was inadequate.

He said that DCC is using blackmail to force us to accept the plans, ie speed limit, buses.

He said that the P&R, as discussed with villagers, offers no benefits, and that a Parish Poll is a proper consultation. He said that the cost of the poll was well worth it, and that it is our money. He said that it was better to have a private poll for locals, who could make their decision without having to speak in public to argue their case.

He spoke about the vast engineering works involved: noise, mud, security lighting, huge visual impact on a flood plain. That P&Rs should not be built in congestion areas, that cars will be backed up and use Balls Farm Lane and others instead.

He spoke about the danger of urban sprawl within a few hundred yards of the village and bringing rural land to the interest of developers: eg Topsham, Alphington and Pinhoe

He said existing sites are not used to capacity elsewhere. This is a threat to our community and village life.

**Peter Hayes**: DCC have admitted increased traffic, the site is a flood plain. Modelling is not reliable.

Our collective voice must be heard by DCC.

Called for ten Electors to come forward.

Peter Hayes asked the Chair and Clerk to confirm correct signatures which they did.

He then proposed the question "Are you in favour of the proposed Park and Ride scheme at Round Field near Ide?" It was seconded by Richard Sharman.

The proposal was carried unanimously by a show of hands.

David Williams questioned the turnout of polls.

Peter Hayes responded.

The Chairman pointed out that we now had a poll because ten electors had demanded.

**Guest Speaker: Lynn Wetenhall: C West**

General Questions/Views\*

Meeting summarised by Chairman, who said it's unfortunate a poll is so expensive; make sure you vote in the poll and come and see the plans on Saturday and that there would be an extraordinary Parish Council meeting as soon as the Poll result is known.

The Parish Council will take a view at its next meeting now that the plans are available. The dates of the Poll will be determined by Teignbridge District Council.

Authorised by Chairman - Barry Hookins (signed 16th March 2016)

\*The Chairman took questions and contributions from approximately 20 residents in a lively 30 minute open discussion. Responses to direct questions to Alan Connett (DCC) were allowed by the Chairman.

The meeting was concluded at 8.55pm

We the undersigned, as electors in the Parish of Ide, call for a Parish Poll to be held on the subject of the proposed Park and Ride facility at Round Field in the District of Teignbridge.

Peter Hayes - Richard Sharman - Mark Armitage - Jason Purvis - Eve Ashby - Wendy Ahl

Bill Ahl - Margit Upham - Peter Cloke - Charlotte J Ffoulkes