

IDE PARISH COUNCIL

Draft minutes of a meeting of Ide Parish Council, Wednesday 18 November 2020 by Zoom

This meeting was not recorded.

Present: Cllrs Nick Bradley (chair), Pete Bishop, Andy Swain, Rachel Herbert, Mark Thomas, Jessica Paine, Paula Burton-Perrett, Ben Ervine. Cllr Alan Connett of Devon CC joined the meeting at 8.17 pm.

In attendance: Mel Liversage (clerk) and Laura Bell, prospective new councillor

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Cllr Charles Nuttall, TDC
- 2. Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Paine regarding item 12
- 3. The draft minutes** of the meeting held on 16 September 2020 were approved and signed by the chair.
- 4. Laura Bell** had applied to become an Ide Parish Councillor was co-opted unanimously to the one remaining vacancy. The chair welcomed her to the council and she joined the council meeting.

ACTION: ML & LB to complete paperwork for submission to TDC

5. PLANNING MATTERS PB

5.1 Revised applications

20/01674/HOU 2 Fore Street Ide, single storey extension. This amended, smaller layout, has been scaled back, acknowledging the concerns from neighbours re size and loss of privacy; and the Environment Agency regarding the flood risk and the effects of a building so close to the Fordlands Brook. Permission for a bridge across to adjacent land will be applied for in due course. The committee were minded to object to this application, and request that the planning officer visits the site before deliberation by them. The Environment Agency has requested them to apply for a flood risk activity permit.

ACTION: PB to inform TDC enforcement officer that the bridge has now been erected.

5.2 New applications

20/01991 Fordlands, The College, Ide EX2 9RJ - single storey rear extension. This application fits well within all planning application guidelines and the committee voted unanimously to support the application

20/01996/CAN - 2 Fore Street, Ide. 1 ash tree to remove, 1 ash tree to reduce, and 1 willow tree to remove. The committee voted to defer to TDC's tree officer assessment.

5.3 Updates on current applications - awaiting decisions on all

20/00621/MAJ Pynes Farm, Ide. Conversion of four existing agricultural buildings to two dwellings, demolition of remaining barn buildings and replacement with eight dwellings including associated landscaping, parking and associated access works. This is a major application and was discussed at the full council meeting on 13 May 2020. It falls within the Ide Neighbourhood Plan, and the Parish Council were minded to support the application. We were asked to comment on some amendments recently submitted. The chair has the asked TDC for further clarification on four points: the carbon reduction footprint; Loss of parking spaces on High Street; the controlling of construction site delivery times, to avoid school drop off times; and highway safety issues encountered on entering or leaving the site.

20/00615/FUL - Land opposite Chillies, College Lane, Ide - five dwellings with garages and creation of new access. This application was discussed at an extra ordinary meeting of Ide PC held on Wednesday 9 September 2020 and unanimously voted to object.

20/00623/FUL – Stevens Farm, Ide - Change of Use to Skip and Plant Park with associated hard standing.

Ide Parish Council is opposed to a change of the site's use to a skip and plant park.

ACTION: PB to draw TDC enforcement officer's attention to commercial activity on the site.

18/01024/MAJ - Springwell Nursery, Ide Village Road, Ide. Erection of a new Garden Sales Area Building including Café and Restaurant, Storage Warehouse, New Public Car Park Area. Full council objected to this application.

5.4 Decided Applications

20/00013/FUL 49 High Street, Ide. Removal of chimney stack, insertion of roof lights and first floor side window, installation of external wall insulation and enlargement of patio doors. The committee voted unanimously to support this application. **PERMISSION GRANTED**

20/01033/CLDE Rollsbridge Farm, Ide EX2 9SU - Certificate of Lawfulness for the siting of 3 mobile homes for residential use. A re-submission of an earlier application. The planning committee had no objections to this application which is a legal formality confirming lawfulness. **PERMISSION GRANTED**

20/00668/MAJ Land at NGR 289535 90312 Station Road, Ide (Weir Meadow)- Change of use to recreational ground

20/00669/ FUL Land at NGR 289535 90312 Station Road, Ide (Weir Meadow) - Single storey sports pavilion and associated Car Parking. **PERMISSION GRANTED for both applications with conditions.**

ACTION: see item 9.4

5.5 Withdrawn applications

20/01892/VAR 2A The Green, Ide, Devon, EX2 9RT. Removal of condition 3 on planning permission 17/02955/FUL (Annexe above garage and single storey rear extension) to allow annex to be let as a separate unit of accommodation. The committee were minded to object unanimously to this removal as the condition as this could risk further development which is adjacent to the Ide Conservation area and the Neighbourhood Plan policy IDE06 identifying Ide Village Green as a Green Space needing protection. **Application subsequently withdrawn.**

6. Proposal to appoint a parish Wildlife Warden - unanimously approved. Two volunteers will be recruited with the assistance of the Climate and Environment Emergency Working Group. Details of these appointments can be found at <https://actionclimateteignbridge.org/index.php/2020/08/30/could-you-be-a-parish-wildlife-warden/>

ACTION: AS to liaise with CEEWG to seek two candidates for wardens

7. Annual Rural Skip service for bulk waste (Paper 2) – was cancelled this year due to Covid-19; and recently withdrawn altogether on grounds of cost. The council debated the pros and cons of commissioning this service from parish council funds, and decided against doing so. TDC provide a bookable "from your door" collection service for bulky waste items, such as furniture and fridges, paid for by the householder. Details of this service will be posted on the website and advertised in the Ide Times.

ACTION: ML

8. TRAFFIC ISSUES

8.1 Fore Street parking proposal NB (Paper 3) –The council voted to approve the proposal advised by Devon CC Neighbourhood Highway Officer, and an application will be made to DCC via councillor Connett for inclusion in the 2021/22 yellow line budget. **ACTION:** NB to submit paperwork to Devon Highways

8.2 SCARF speed assessment of traffic through village PB-P, JP - (Papers 4 & 5). The chair thanked councillors Paine and Burton-Perrett for their report. No complaints have been received by Devon Highways about speeding in Ide. In the IPC consultation on parking in Fore Street two residents raised concerns about speed. Councillors have however received specific complaints about parking in the village in connection with proper access for refuse lorries, agricultural machinery and emergency vehicles being obstructed.

The council decided not to proceed with the proposal for a SCARF speed assessment.

The council decided to ask Cllrs Paine and Burton-Perrett to review and analyse locations in the village where it might be helpful to alter parking restrictions to improve access; and prepare a paper for the next meeting. Councillor Connett suggested that access and parking problems in The Hams could be helped with some double yellow lining at strategic points. Cllr Herbert will review parking issues in The Hams and liaise with PB-P and JP.

ACTION PB-P, JP, RH

9. WORKING GROUP REPORTS

9.1 Verbal report on Covid-19 and Emergency Planning Group including proposal for sandbag store at The Huntsman.

Cllr Burton-Perrett reported that Covid-19 Lockdown 1 activities, which include Ide Angels and the Community shop co-operative, are continuing in Lockdown 2. The Village Hall, under Covid secure measures, is being used for specific education activities, but no Pilates or dancing groups. The recent planned meeting of the Village Hall Committee was cancelled; the next meeting is in January 2021.

The flood trash screen in the field north of the village hall has been cleared.

We await anti-flood draining and clearing work by Devon Highways and the Environment Agency to a culvert from Old Ide Lane into the brook. A notice asking residents to be vigilant in keeping the gullies clear of debris has been placed in Ide Times.

The landlord of The Huntsman has agreed that a container for sandbags can be placed in the pub carpark, and the working group is looking into the costs. Grants are available for this facility.

ACTION: PBP/PB to source suitable container and apply for grant funding

9.2 Verbal report on TDC webinar on Covid-19 and Lockdown 2 The clerk had attended a webinar, hosted by Devon Communities, providing a forum for Town and Parish councils to declare their support provisions for Lockdown 2. Services instigated under Lockdown 1 are continuing under Lockdown 2 across the district.

9.3 Pynes Orchard. The council received a report from the chair of PCOWG, Peter Cloke (**Paper 6**). Cllr Bradley reported that the Church Commissioners and IPC are very close to completing and signing the Option Agreement for the purchase of the orchard.

9.4 Weir Meadow & Northern Fields. Planning permissions were been granted on 16 October 2020 for change of use to a recreation ground; and for construction of a pavilion and associated car park. A subgroup will meet on 24 November 2020 to plan the production of a Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (LEMP), and of Water and Drainage Management Plans which are specified as pre-commencement conditions in the permissions. Cllrs Bradley and Thomas will start writing a prospectus to assist in raising funds for the purchase of Weir Meadow along the lines of the Orchard prospectus. The minutes of the last meeting of the working group are contained in **Paper 7a**. **Paper 7b** is a support paper setting out the VAT options to be considered when purchasing Northern Fields. This will be reviewed further when action is needed to complete the purchase.

9.5 Climate and Environment Emergency. AS. Paper 8 contains a report from the Working Group, which is meeting remotely. They continue to lobby for more government consultations and interventions.

The chair thanked members of all the working groups for their participation and contributions in these village projects.

10. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

10.1 New Website - Cllr Ervine reported that is up and running, and easier to navigate. Cllrs Bradley, Ervine and the clerk are working through it, clarifying and improving the information displayed.

ACTION: BE, ML

10.2 Use of personal email addresses for IPC business - a discussion followed about the need for a dedicated parish council email address for parish council work. The prime reason for using one is to be in a position to provide accurate details in case of a Freedom of Information request. Cllr Ervine will investigate using the Idevillage.org.uk address universally for IPC councillors' use.

ACTION: BE

11. MAINTENANCE

11.1 Report on Cemetery steps and rail repairs – quote from Laurence Bales has been accepted for £170 and work to be completed asap. **ACTION: ML**

11.2 Preservative coat for Bus Shelter - two quotes have been received, the clerk is seeking a third.

ACTION: ML

12. Ide Village Fund application – Paper 9. An application for a £200 grant for set up costs to restart a Baby and Toddler Group in the village hall was presented. The Village Fund had £95 balance, but Councillors voted to approve a grant for the full £200, topping up from general funds .

ACTION: ML

13. Proposal by AS for IPC to subscribe to Zoom Pro at £11.99 per month (£144 per year) for all IPC and committee and working group meetings, because free Zoom has a maximum meeting length of 40 minutes for three or more participants. The annual cost, which we are currently not having to pay, of renting the Memorial Hall and the Hub for meetings works out at exactly £144. The proposal was approved.

ACTION: AS/ML

14. FINANCE - ML

14.1 Finance report – 10 September 2020 to 9 November 2020 **Paper 10** was approved and adopted

14.2 Notifications of all payments over £100 * on paper 10

14.3 Online bank account management – Electronic banking payment controls are now set up, and provide for the clerk to be the Creator of a payment online (equivalent of writing out a cheque), and two out of three approved councillors (NB, JP and PB) to be Authorisers of the payment. It is working well

14.4 The proposal to honour a National Pay Award for clerks from £10.34 per hour to £10.62 for Mel Liversage w.e.f from 01/04/2020 was agreed.

ACTION: ML

15. A councillors' and clerk's online briefing session on Friday 11 December 2020 at 7.30pm was proposed by the Chair, and agreed. **ACTION : NB liaise with AS to circulate Zoom details.**

16. **COUNTY, DISTRICT AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS** and items for future agenda. Members are respectfully reminded that this item is not to be used for debate or decision making. Cllr Thomas reported that the play area is being used under Covid restrictions. A caravan has been parked in Doctor's Walk at the closed end for some days. Cllr Swain will investigate.

ACTION AS

17. CORRESPONDENCE - None

The next meeting of Ide Parish Council is on Wednesday 20 January 2021 at 7.30pm by Zoom, unless otherwise advised. To view planning applications, go to www.teignbridge.gov.uk/planning and search using the address or reference number.

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