

Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of Ide Parish Council held at 7.45pm on Wednesday 2 March 2022 in Ide Memorial Hall

Present: Councillors Nick Bradley (chair), Mark Thomas (vice chair), Andy Swain, Rachel Herbert, Paula Burton Perrett, Ben Ervine, Laura Bell and Nick Creasy.

In attendance: Mel Liversage (Clerk); Peter Cloke, David Howe and Richard Cottle who are members of the Ide Community Orchard (ICOWG), Weir Meadow & Northern Fields (WMWG), and Ide Joint Projects Fund Raising (IJPFRG) working groups; and one member of the public, David Williams.

Declaration of recording: none.

Public Participation before the Parish Council meeting.

There was a period set aside for public participation. Residents were invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on the agenda, or raise issues for future consideration, at the discretion of the Chair.

No questions were raised. The meeting held a short silence as a mark of respect for the people of Ukraine.

1. Apologies for absence. Councillor Jessica Paine: apology accepted.

2. Declarations of Interest. No declarations of interest

3. Resolution to purchase Victorian Orchard:

3.1 Amendment to Paper 1: Proposed by Chair of Council at the request of the IJPFRG:

minor correction to figures at paragraph 7 of Paper 1 bringing the total available to buy the orchard to £78,434.86 (not £77,891.86), with a surplus of £1,579.86 (not £1,036.86).

Amendment to Paper 1 was seconded by Cllrs Swain and Herbert, and carried by 8 votes for, 0 against, with no abstentions.

3.2 The Resolution that this Council resolves to exercise the Option to Purchase Agreement signed on 30 July 2021 in relation to Victorian Orchard Ide, supported by Paper 1 as amended, was then proposed by Cllr Bell, seconded by Cllr Swain and carried by 8 votes for, 0 against, with no abstentions.

4. Resolution to borrow from the Public Works Loan Board:

4.1 Amendment to Report to Council, Paper 2: Proposed by Chair of Council at the request of the IJPFRG: minor correction to figures at paragraph 15 of Report to Council bringing the total available for site purchases to £104,650.82 (not £104,107.82). Amendment was seconded by Cllrs Swain and Herbert, and carried by 8 votes for, 0 against, with no abstentions.

4.2 The Resolution that this Council resolves to seek the approval of the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities to apply for a Public Works Loan Board loan of

£152,826 over the borrowing term of 50 (fifty) years at a fixed rate of interest for the purpose of purchasing Weir Meadow, the Northern Fields and Victorian Orchard; and that the annual loan repayments will amount to approximately £5514; and that the Council intends to increase the council tax precept for the purpose of the loan repayments by 79% which is the equivalent of an additional £22.68 a year for an average band D household to fund this loan; and that this increase has been the subject of a proposal to borrow and precept increase consultation survey, supported by the Report to Council Paper 2 as amended, was then proposed by Cllr Ervine, seconded by Cllr Creasy, and carried by 8 votes for, 0 against, with no abstentions.

5. The next regular bi-monthly meeting of Ide Parish Council is on Wednesday 16 March 2022 at 7.30pm in Ide Memorial Hall.

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I confirm that I have seen and authorised these draft minutes for submission.

Signed: Dr Nicholas CA Bradley

Chair of Ide Parish Council

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