

# IDE PARISH COUNCIL

## DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING held on WEDNESDAY 22 MARCH 2023 at 7.30pm in IDE MEMORIAL HALL

**Present:** Councillors Nick Bradley (chair), Mark Thomas (vice chair), Andy Swain, Jessica Paine, Paula Burton Perrett, Ben Ervine, Laura Bell and Nick Creasy (arrived 7.40pm).

**In attendance:** Mel Liversage, clerk, and 1 member of the public.

**The Clerk** announced that the meeting will be audio recorded.

There were no representations from the public about matters on the agenda or for future agendas.

**1. APOLOGY for absence** received from Cllr Rachel Herbert who was unwell. Apology accepted.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr Burton Perrett declared an interest in item 5.2 as the householder living at 12 High Street.

**3. THE MINUTES** of Ide Parish Council meeting held 25 January 2023 (see website) were approved and signed by the chair.

### **4. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS (written or verbal)**

Cllr Swain informed the council that he will not be standing for election as a Teignbridge District Councillor on May 4 2023. The chair thanked him warmly for his work as our TDC councillor for the past four years. The chair introduced John Parrott who will be standing for election for Kenn Ward.

**5. PLANNING MATTERS:** To receive report from Planning Committee. **BE**

5.1 New applications: To be considered at the next meeting on Wednesday 29 March 2023

5.2 Current Applications: awaiting a decision by Teignbridge District Council

**22/00732/FUL** **Rollsbridge House, Ide.** Change of use of outbuilding from ancillary residential storage to office (use Class E). Supported.

**22/02335/HOU** **7 St Ida's Close, Ide.** Single storey rear extension, including altered roof and front porch and internal alterations, raised deck patio to rear. Supported.

**22/01884/HOU** **12 High Street, Ide.** Summerhouse to rear. Supported.

**[22/00826/FUL](#) Land At Ngr 290810, 090383, Ide - Round Field.**

Formation of yard for storage of machinery and construction materials and the siting of 14 secure storage containers and associated landscaping (retrospective). **Objected** – see TDC Planning web site. Councillor Swain wrote on 12 March to TDC (copy of email reproduced here).

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Planning Breach - retrospective application still pending 22/00826/FUL

**From Cllr Andrew Swain**

Sun, 12  
Mar, 2023

to Steven, Rosalyn, Michelle, Cllr, Cllr, Cllr, Cllr, Ben, me, ideparishclerk@gmail.com

Dear Steve and Ros  
(cc Michelle because of the relevance to the Markham Village site)

I'm writing about the planning case at the Round Field site in Ide.

**New (Retrospective) Application**

**[22/00826/FUL](#) Land at NGR 290858, 90284, Ide, Devon (Round Field)**

This retrospective permission was received and validated on Thu 21 Apr 2022 after Ide parish council raised concern that the container storage activity being carried out there is unpermitted and in flagrant breach of Ide neighbourhood plan policy IDE07.

The case is still showing as "Pending". I would have thought this was an open and shut case for refusal since it exactly violates a neighbourhood plan policy specifically created to prevent exactly this. There is an Ide Parish council meeting on 22 March and I would very much like to give an update. On that day it will be more than 11 months old. I have made this case several times over the last year.

Needless to say, since it is pretty clear that a breach is occurring and this is a retrospective application, the applicant is continuing meanwhile and will not be in any rush to resolve the case, but the community needs it resolving. Some in the community have suggested that once this is resolved TDC will have an enforcement problem, so TDC may be minded to delay. I have reassured them that I do not think TDC would do that as I am sure you would not.

It is on the site of the proposed Park and Ride which was a huge source of tension between the Ide community and local council services, and was the reason Policy IDE07 was created to protect this site.

It also lies adjacent to the C50 where the community were promised footpath widening and upgrade to a cycle path as part of planning application 18/01024/MAJ. The parish council opposed this development but the footpath upgrade was welcomed. The application was approved, but subsequently the applicant requested the footpath condition be

dropped 22/00452/MAJ | Removal of condition 5, and TDC agreed, despite strong opposition from the Parish council.

It is also right on the boundary of the Markhams village site where Teignbridge is asking the community to accept 900 houses, and is promising infrastructure, services and green space all of which will need to be enforced by TDC planning.

It seems important to improve the credibility of TDC Planning. The experience for the local community recently has been quite poor.

I hope we can see some progress on this case soon, and I would appreciate an update before 22 March.

Thank you

Andy Swain  
District Councillor for Kenn valley  
<< *end of email*

TDC have replied to say that “comments have been noted”.

**21/02929/LBC Drakes Farm, Fore Street, Ide.** External and internal works and alterations including regularisation of previously undertaken unauthorised works. Supported.

5.3 Decided Applications:

**20/01178/AMD1 Blacksmith Cottage, 1 Fore Street, Ide**

Non-material amendment (addition of lead guttering and re-locate solar panel) to planning permission 20/01178/HOU for single storey rear extension with skylight, refurbishment of existing rear kitchen extension including new door and windows and rearrangement of existing pv panels on roof

**APPROVAL OF NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT**

**22/02317/CAN Cobbe House, Station Road, Ide.** T1, Tulip Tree: Fell. Deferred to the tree officer. **PERMISSION GRANTED BY TDC.**

## **6. TEIGNBRIDGE LOCAL PLAN 2020-2040 – Proposed Submission (Regulation 19) Version**

The chair reported on the Public Meeting held 3 March, 2023, and the subsequent representation submitted by IPC (see Ide Village website for full text). 83 residents attended. NB thanked Councillor Thomas for organising, equipping and chairing the meeting so effectively. NB reported that the mood in Ide was one of dismay at the proposal for a new village, Markham Village, of 900 houses to be built in the parish. Teignbridge officers put the case for the national need for houses, government policy for annual housebuilding targets, the lack of land and brown field sites in the district, and the numbers of commuters coming to work in Exeter from Teignbridge. Arguments were mounted from the floor against the proposals, principally on the grounds of conflict with Ide Neighbourhood Plan;

the lack of an agreed, detailed transport and traffic scheme to answer the problems of this particular site; and the loss of prime agricultural land, of great landscape value, which forms the green backdrop to Exeter. Other concerns about sustainable travel on cycle and foot; about flooding and the strain on the sewage system; and on the apparent absence of co-operation between neighbouring authorities were also advanced. The next step will be the Inspector's examination in public of the Local Plan submission version. The chair has stated that he would be willing to speak at the hearing.

The Councillors then discussed the merits and costs of employing a barrister to represent the village's views at the hearing; or at least seek a counsel's opinion on the strength of our case ahead of the hearing.

We would like to gauge the level of financial support there would be in the village for a potential fighting fund to pay for expert legal advice and representation. We discussed using a Facebook poll; and the possibility of raising funds by direct appeal to residents were there support for this.

### **ACTION NB**

In the first instance, the Chair will seek advice from local lawyers already active in the life of the community, about how best to seek a counsel's opinion, and the likely costs we might incur, before asking residents for their views on providing financial support for this work.

## **7. WORKING GROUP REPORTS**

### **7.1 Ide Community Orchard WG -**

The chair thanked Peter Cloke for his excellent report. Another volunteer day for families will be held on 14 May. The previous one proved to be very successful.

#### **Paper 1**

### **7.2 Weir Meadow & Northern Fields WG**

7.2.1 The chair thanked Richard Cottle for his excellent report **Paper 2** and for his Strategic Management Plan, **paper 3**, , which will be for consideration at the next WMWG meeting.

### **7.3 Joint Projects Fundraising WG**

7.3.1 The chair thanked Phil Wilcock for his Financial Report

**Paper 4**

7.3.2 A report on plans for the fundraising concert on July 8 2023 was made at the ICOMG meeting on Monday 20 March 2023 and plans are progressing well. We are awaiting a copy of the signed contract from the band.

### **7.4 Ide Emergency Planning WG**

**PB-P**

7.4.1 Drainage/flood prevention update - no immediate actions are needed. P-BP sensed greater awareness of measures needed to prevent flooding: some have been already undertaken.

7.4.2 Removal of vegetation on A30/Ide Village Road - no recent activities to report

7.4.3 The Storm Resilience survey A30 Ide ZAY 9-10 plans were noted

**Paper 5**

7.5 **Ide Climate Emergency and Environment WG AS** The group are watching progress of the Consultation on Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan which is being undertaken by Exeter City Council.

## 8. GOVERNANCE

**ML and NB**

8.1 The IPC 2023 Risk Management Exercise was discussed and approved by councillors, with an amendment to section 33 on land in the PC's ownership: to split the risks clearly into financial and operational risks.

**Paper 6**

**ACTION NB/ML TO AMEND as above then submit to auditor**

8.2 The IPC 2023 Statement of internal Control was approved and will be signed by the chair

**ACTION NB TO SIGN**

**Paper 7**

## 9. Grass verge surrounding War Memorial

**ML**

The plan to surround grass verge and deter car parking on the grass. Further discussion about the need for chain links between the posts and whether they could be hooked individually to posts to allow for grass cutting and the access when laying of wreath service takes place. We have the funds to proceed.

**ACTION ML TO CONTACT Chris Jeans for his view on this as he cuts the grass**

## 10. SCHOOL LIAISON

**MT and LB**

The ROSPA playground inspection report was received 21 3 23. No safety actions are needed. The vegetation needs to be cut back. It has long been agreed that the school will cut the grass and hedges when at the same time as they do it in the playing field. MT and LB to speak to the head about this.

**ACTION MT & LB to contact the school to confirm actions over grass and hedge cutting**

## 11. FINANCE

**ML**

The financial reports were approved and accepted for the period 20 January to 9 March 2023 and the notifications of payments over £100

**Paper 8**

The chair initialled the reconciled bank statements.

## 12. CORONATION BIG LUNCH VILLAGE PARTY ON SUNDAY 7 MAY 2023

An updated report from Charlotte McGregor was received and Cllr Burton Perrett reported that the plans are progressing well. A possible art installation in Coronation Gardens is being considered to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles. PB-P and Charlotte McGregor will submit an application to IPC for funding from the Ide Village Fund to cover these costs and will also approach the Ide Shop Community Fund

**Paper 9**

**ACTION P-BP – continue liaison with Charlotte McGregor, and submit application for funds**

## 13. PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS 4 MAY 2023

**ML**

The clerk will take the applications to TDC office personally, once completed and signed. Please deliver them to her home by 3 April 2023. All applications must be hand delivered to TDC by 4 April 2023. Cllr Andy Swain will not be standing for re-election this time. The chair

thanked him for his exceptional service to IPC, saying what a great asset and supporter of Ide Parish Council he has been, and that he has done extremely well when combining his Parish and District Councillor roles.

**14. PINCHPOINT ABOVE ENTRANCE TO THE HAMS, ON THE GREEN ML**

Three traffic cones and notices have been erected on The Green to deter parking at this pinch point and an application to Devon CC Highways for double yellow lines has been made. Councillor Connett is supporting this application. It may take some time for this to be implemented.

**15. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS and items for future agenda.**

CLlr Bell has attended a virtual "20 is Plenty" training session. Only 4 or 5 applications out 150 have been approved so far in Devon. She will contact our immediate village neighbours; a combined villages campaign might carry more weight together, to get the implementation of the scheme.

**16. CORRESPONDENCE ML – none**

**17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.**

The next meeting of Ide Parish Council is on Wednesday 17 May 2023 at 7.30pm to be held in Ide Memorial Hall. This meeting will comprise: the Annual Parish Meeting, followed by the Annual meeting of Ide Parish Council, followed by the regular May Parish Council meeting.

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