

IDE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Ide Parish Council held on Wednesday 20 September 2023 at 7.30pm, in Ide Memorial Hall

This meeting was audio recorded.

Present: Councillors Nick Bradley (chair) NB, Mark Thomas (vice chair) MT, Paula Burton Perrett PB-P, Ben Ervine BE, Nick Creasy NC and Jessica Paine JP (arrived at 7.40pm).

In attendance: Mel Liversage (clerk), Councillors Charles Nuttall TDC, Kevin Lake TDC.

1. APOLOGIES: Cllrs Rachel Herbert and Laura Bell due to previously arranged commitments – apologies accepted.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. None declared

3. THE DRAFT MINUTES of Ide Parish Council’s meeting held on 19 July 2023 were approved and signed. **ACTION: ML post on website**

4. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS

4.1 Cllr Nuttall said the Waste and Recycling services have a problem making collections on time, mainly due to mechanical faults with the lorries. TDC pledge to replace the fleet vehicles in the current financial year and apologises for delays. They will purchase new electric vehicles wherever it is possible.

He drew our attention to the TDC “Does your community need more Council Housing?” survey to try and meet the local need; and would welcome input from Ide village. He will chase this up as we have not received it.

ACTION: ML to obtain survey documents for discussion at next Planning Committee.

4.2 Cllr Nuttall alerted us to the DALC Forum to be held in the Councils Chamber on 12 October 2023 at 6pm; and to the course Teignbridge District Council will host for Town and Parish Clerks and Chairs on Thursday 9 November at 9am and repeated on Wednesday 15 November at 5.30pm. The sessions will cover Register of Interests and Code of Conduct and be facilitated by Gill Sinclair. Cllr Thomas and the clerk plan to attend.

ACTION MT/ML

4.3 Cllr Nuttall told the meeting that DC’s Strategy Document will be completed in June 2024, as part of their Local Plan.

4.4 Cllr Lake reported that he and his fellow Kenn Ward District Councillors will fund the purchase of a replacement dog waste bin at the entrance to the Cemetery, from the District Councillors Community Fund. The Chair thanked them on behalf of IPC.

ACTION: ML to order new dog waste bin.

4.5 Cllr Lake reported that action to enforce the refused retrospective planning application [22/00826](#) for commercial container storage at Round Filed has been instigated. Once signed off by the Principal Planning Officer, the case will be passed over to the Enforcement Officer.

4.6 Cllr Lake was waiting for information about grants for trees for the Weir Meadow Project and hopes to forward it to us soon.

4.7 Cllr Lake reported that the Teignbridge Association of Local Councils is likely to be reformed in the near future and encouraged Ide PC to attend.

5. PLANNING MATTERS

5.1 Planning applications

NEW APPLICATIONS 23/01675/HOU & 23/01676/LBC - 44 High Street, Ide Replacement of corrugated steel roof with slate and replacement of front windows To be discussed at the next IPC Committee Planning meeting.
APPLICATIONS AWAITING A DECISION BY TDC
23/00250/HOU - 2 Fore Street, Ide Retention of boundary wall and fence. Not supported by Ide Planning Committee
23/00463 Stevens Farm, Ide Change of use of agricultural building and land to commercial use for the sales and maintenance of tractors. Objected to by Ide Planning Committee
APPLICATIONS DECIDED BY TDC
23/00617/FUL 2 Fore Street, Ide. Changes of use of land to domestic curtilage and provision of an ancillary domestic outbuilding. Granted by TDC.
23/01170/TPO Maple House, Old Ide Lane, Ide T001 London Plane - 3-4m reduction to over extended branches on sides, 2-3m reduction in height. Granted by TDC

5.2 Sale of Pynes Farm Yard to Heritage Homes

BE/ NB

BE and NB reported that the Planning Committee had heard details of Heritage Homes's plans for Pynes Farm Yard, at its meeting in public at 6.15pm on 20 September, ahead of the developer's submission of a new full planning application. Heritage Homes now own the site. The key element of the existing permission remains: ten houses, with two of them

being affordable homes. A survey of the existing buildings shows the stone walls are cracked, the cob is crumbling, and they will have to be pulled down. The new scheme includes a small strip of scrub at the top of the site, allowing a better green space. The new design allows more space for each house, and ditching the retaining walls of the original scheme. The design will use handmade bricks, cedar cladding, and barn-like tall windows, with zero carbon insulation and heating systems. The committee was impressed with the improvements over the old scheme, and looks forward to seeing the details of the fresh application once it is submitted.

5.3 Round Field Site: See Cllr Lake's report above on the impending enforcement action.

ACTION: BE to follow up with enforcement officer.

6. Teignbridge Local Plan 2020-2040 – Final Submission (Regulation 23) Version.

NB reported verbally that over 6,000 individuals and 1,000 organisations had submitted comments on the consultation document in March 2023, in particular on transport and infrastructure.

Planning officers at TDC had hoped to manage the task of redrafting their plan in the light of these comments by delaying publication of their final version until October. But they have now asked TDC for permission to go back to the public for further consultation. This "addendum consultation" exercise is likely to run for 6 weeks over the winter. Its scope will be limited to seeking comments only on newly proposed changes to the plan. Depending on when the addendum consultation runs, we might expect to see the Final Submission (Regulation 23, as it is called) version of the plan in spring 2024; and the public Examination Hearing in summer 2024.

NB reported that we have £6,000 in donated funds earmarked to pay for expert planning consultant advice, and that this money has been moved to the IPC reserve account

ACTION: NB to keep in touch with TDC planning officer, and with Adam Place, planning consultant

7. WORKING GROUP REPORTS

7.1 Ide Community Orchard WG -

7.1.1 The Chair thanked Mark Thomas, chair of the ICOMG, for his report, see Paper 1.

IDE APPLE DAY is on Saturday 21 October 2023, 11am to 3pm. Posters around the village, and Ide Times will give fuller details. We will harvest apples over the previous weekend, and press and bottle juice from the orchard on this day. Everyone is welcome to join in: there will be other activities going on at the same time that are family friendly. A team planning meeting for Apple Day is set for October 4.

We are planning two talks over the autumn, themed around the Orchard: one from the RSPB about birdlife in Devon orchards, and another from Sandford Cider about cider orchards.

MT thanked everyone who has worked so hard on the Management Group over the last few months. A Google Map search for a view of the Orchard site is

<https://g.page/r/CbT5wr74JP9sEBM/review> .

7.1.2 The ICO Management plan is currently being drafted by Julian Perrett.

ACTION: MT to liaise with Julian Perrett and present the plan at the November IPC meeting

7.2 Weir Meadow & Northern Fields WG

7.2.1 The Chair thanked **Richard Cottle**, for his report (Paper 3).

7.2.2 Northern Fields tenancy. We understand the tenant is asking to be released from the second year of his tenancy and we await the formal notice of this. The Councillors agreed in principle to this request providing all outstanding payments have been met.

ACTION: NB write to tenant to offer this solution.

7.3 Joint Projects Fundraising WG

7.3.1 The Financial Report (Paper 4) from **Phil Willcock, hon treasurer** was approved and accepted

7.3.2 The following report was sent on the Fundraising Events planned from Councillor Herbert

New events planned:

Bingo night Friday 10th November in the village hall with Bar and chilli nachos.

Christmas craft market in the village hall in conjunction with Nicki Rice, Finishing Touches on Fri 2nd December 2023 - more details to follow.

Finally, another pancake breakfast this autumn, date is yet to be confirmed.

7.4 Ide Emergency Planning WG

7.4.1 Drainage/flood prevention update – Cllr Burton-Perrett reported we experienced multiple drainage and flooding issues over last weekend. Houses at the top of the village were affected by torrential water draining down the hill from Haldon direction. Sandbags were used. We saw excess surface water in the Hams and up to 18 inches at the bottom of the village in front of the Huntsman.

The drains didn't cope well at the weekend, spreading debris on the road, popping manholes. Two residents reported issues with their internal toilets with water levels rising and making gurgling sounds. PB-P will contact Helen Frankpitt at Devon Highways to meet with her to look at more sustainable solutions for the surface water flooding we're experiencing.

ACTION PB-P/ML to arrange meeting with Helen Frankpitt

7.4.2. 30 sandbags and 30 bags of rock salt have been ordered to replenish supplies.

7.4.3 Coronation Gardens sculpture marking the Coronation of King Charles III – It was decided there was not enough support to proceed with this project now but a working party to clear up the gardens will be arranged this Autumn.

ACTION: PB-P set a working party date and circulate on volunteer WhatsApp group

7.5 **Ide Climate Emergency and Environment WG** - Andy Swain had reported to the clerk and chair that the group has not met recently and is currently seeking a new Chair.

8. REMEMBRANCE SERVICE: Sunday 12 November 2023 – Cllr Herbert has kindly offered to lay the wreath on behalf of IPC. The IPC Councillors sanctioned the purchase of a wreath from Royal British Legion.

ACTION: ML order wreath. ML and RH liaise over 12 November ceremony.

9. ALLOTMENTS - Plot 7. The new applicant has withdrawn his offer to take on this plot, and it will be re-advertised in the Ide Times and the village noticeboards

ACTION: ML TO ADVERTISE

10. SCHOOL LIAISON

10.1 Grass cutting around the play area has now been undertaken

10.2 There is no news on the progress with Community Governor appointment; but Cllr Thomas reports that the leaflet for parents re the parking issues and the walking bus are now ready for printing and distributing

ACTION MT

11. GOVERNANCE

11.1 Cllr Bell has agreed to be Safeguarding Lead Councillor for IPC

11.2 The Councillors approved and adopted the Ide Parish Council Safeguarding Policy, **Paper 5** with a small amendment

ACTION: LB/ML amend document to produce final version of Safeguarding Policy.

ACTION: ML Post Safeguarding Policy on IPC website

11.3 The clerk's new contract of employment (Paper 6), signed by the clerk and the Chair, was received and approved.

12. FINANCE

ML

The Councillors approved and adopted the financial reports for the period 13 July to 14 September 2023. Notification of payments over £100 and Papers 7 a,b,c,d,e were accepted.

13. TRAINING FOR COUNCILLORS – The Clerk presented current information on the range of courses available to councillors, and encouraged them to take up the opportunities. See DALC website devonalc.org.uk

Courses for Councillors coming up:

Responding to Planning Applications on 27 November 2023, Cllr Ervine will attend.

Being a Good Councillor 2: Powers, Duties and the Precept on 24 October (6-8pm by Zoom)

ACTION: ML to book course for BE

14. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS and items for future agenda. Members are respectfully reminded that this item is not to be used for debate or decision making.
No reports.

15. CORRESPONDENCE In response to Cllr Alan Connett's (DCC) email asking if we have any requirements for double yellow lines, the chair has requested again that double yellow lines are put in place on both curbs - east and west sides - of the entrance to the village, far enough in towards the village to deter people from parking dangerously near the junction and up on the pavement. The junction is where Fore Street joins Ide Village Road. Parking near the junction means that cars leaving and entering the village have to pull out into the oncoming traffic, which is unacceptably dangerous so near the junction. This has been requested and declined before. But the amount of illegal and antisocial parking has increased; and the volume of traffic along Ide Village Road has increased. The junction is now also signed / labelled as a "Think Bike Danger Spot".

ACTION: ML to respond to Alan Connett with the request set out above.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next meeting of Ide Parish Council is on Wednesday 22 November 2023 at 7.30pm to be held in Ide Memorial Hall.

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