

IDE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17 July 2024 AT 7.30PM IN IDE MEMORIAL HALL

Present: Councillors Nick Bradley (chair), Mark Thomas (vice chair), Rachel Herbert, Nick Creasy, Laura Bell, Sarah Tiley and Patrick Irwin.

In attendance: Mel Liversage (clerk), Cllr Charles Nuttall TDC

The Chair made an announcement reporting the sudden death of Adrian Butland at his home in High Street, Ide on 16 July. Councillors held a period of silence together before starting the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES were received from Cllr Burton Perrett who was unwell and Cllr Ervine for personal reasons - apologies accepted. Cllrs Lake, Parrott (TDC) and Connett (DCC) also tendered their apologies.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

3. MINUTES: The draft minutes of the three Ide Parish Council meetings held on 15 May 2024 - 1. Annual Parish Meeting 2. Annual meeting of Ide PC and 3. the regular meeting of IPC were approved as accurate records (see website). Resolved to accept these draft minutes which were signed by the chair.

4. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS – Cllr Nuttall reported on a new TDC website, the climate hub, which provides ideas and suggestions supporting families and local business to cut the cost of living, lead a healthier life, and play a vital part in reducing the district's carbon footprint. <https://climatehub.teignbridge.gov.uk/>

5. PLANNING MATTERS:

5.1 New Applications None received

5.2 Applications awaiting a decision from TDC

5.2.1 23/00463/FUL - Stevens Farm, Ide, EX2 9FB

Change of use of agricultural building and land to commercial use for the sales and maintenance of tractors. Objected to by IPC Planning Committee.

5.2.2 24/00432/MAJ - Pynes Farm, High Street, Ide Demolition of existing buildings and the erection of ten dwellings, associated access, parking, and landscaping. Revised plans have been submitted to TDC with the proposal now altered after we objected on the grounds that there were too few smaller houses, an amended plan has now been submitted for a housing mix closer to that set out in the Neighbourhood Plan – now for 4 x two bed, 4 x three bed and 2 x four bed homes.

5.3 Appeal

23/00054/REF Land at Ngr 290858 90284, Ide Village Road, Ide. Appeal against the refusal of planning application **22/00826/FUL- Formation of yard for storage of machinery and construction materials and the siting of 14 secure storage containers and associated landscaping (retrospective)**

Post meeting note This application was dismissed on 19 July 2024 by the PLANNING INSPECTORATE REF: 3331634. The Planning Inspector has dismissed the contractor's appeal on the grounds that the proposed (and current) industrial use of the site is not in keeping with the rural and agricultural character of Round Field and Crabb Lane, as set out in the Ide Gateway Enhancement Area policy of Ide Neighbourhood Plan.

5.4 Decided Applications

24/00843/CAN - Canons, The Green, Ide.

Proposal to remove Holly Tree (areas 1-6) and Elder Tree (area 7). Agreed to defer to the TDC Tree Officer. Permission granted by TDC

6. Teignbridge Local Plan 2020-2040 Submission Version published 14 March 2024.

<http://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/localplanexamination>

6.1 NB reported that the dates set for the public hearing by two examiners in Newton Abbot are: 17-19 September, 24-26 September, 8-10 October and 5-7 November 2024. The proposals for Markham Village, EE1, are due to be heard in the November session. We have asked to attend to make a representation.

6.2 Councillors discussed the draft of a Local Plan Review Report commissioned by IPC from Viable Placemaking. Comments have been received from Councillors and residents. The chair has collated these comments and will feed them back to the consultants, emphasising our need to focus on how best to elevate the representations already made, to exert leverage to obtain the best outcomes for the village, and to challenge areas of weakness in the Plan. The chair, Cllr Irwin and a small group of residents with relevant expertise will liaise to compose our feedback to Viable Placemaking; formulate our representations for the examination.

ACTION NB with PI to report back to Viable Placemaking

6.3 Notice given of a meeting with Shillingford, Exminster and Kenn PCs to discuss creating a cluster group to respond to TDC Local Plan, and consider other planning matters. Meeting is on 18 July 2024 at 10.30am in Shillingford St George Village Hall - Cllr Bradley and clerk will attend.

ACTION NB/ML to attend

7. WORKING GROUP REPORTS

7.1 **Ide Community Orchard MG** The chair thanked from Mark Thomas for his report, Paper 2. The grass paths have now been cut, thank you Patrick Irwin and James Romain for

undertaking this work. The remaining grassy areas will be cut at the end of July by a contractor. A butterfly count is planned for Sunday 21 July 2024. Julian Perrett has stood down from the Management Group. MT thanked him for his significant contribution to our understanding of the ecology of the Orchard and we will miss his expertise. Jessica Paine is to re-join the group; and it has also welcomed Sue Cloke and Patrick Irwin as new members.

7.2 Weir Meadow and Norther Fields WG The chair thanked Peter Skinner for his report Paper 3. The artificial wicket will be installed on 12 August 2024 and the lease to the cricket club will be signed on that date.

Ide Revel will celebrate the opening of the sports pitches on 7 September 2024. Sponsors for the event have been found and plans are well in hand.

Phase 1 application for grant funding under the Woodland Creation Design Scheme has now been approved, enabling the IPC to progress to Phase 2 which includes design of the actual woodland including layout, tree species, paths, fencing. A draft design will be subject to a public consultation in the autumn, with a view to a full application in December. We hope to know the outcome in Spring 2025. If successful, paths and fencing could take place in Summer 2025, with the first stage of tree planting in winter of 2025/ 2026.

7.3 Joint Projects Fundraising The chair thanked Phil Willcock, Papers 4 and 5 for producing his financial reports for the Community Orchard and Receptions Ground accounts and it was resolved to accept these accounts.

7.4 Flood Prevention & Emergency Planning WG

7.4.2 Flooding in Easterbrook's Field on 2 Nov 2023. After several weeks with no replies to our emails, we have now been informed that Strutt and Parker are no longer the managing agents; and that Savills, through their Salisbury office, have been appointed agents to the Church Commissioners of England (owners of Easterbrook's Field). A reply from Savills, to make initial contact, is expected at the end of the month. No new communications have been received from Devon County Council, or the Environment Agency. **NB**

7.4.3 Proposal to commission a Hydrology Report on Ide Catchment Area from Teign Consult (Nigel Smith) for the sum of £2535 (no VAT) using reserve funds. Paper 6. Councillors resolved to commission this report, contingent on further information from Cllr Burton Perrett and Teign Consult in identifying the responsibilities of each of the various agencies involved - the Church Commissioners, the Environment Agency, Devon CC, Natural England and other landlords; and how to exert leverage for their assistance in preventative flooding protection measures.

ACTION: NB to seek further information from PB-P and Teign Consult before commissioning the report.

8. SCHOOL LIAISON AND PLAY AREA - MT reported that the school is actively encouraging cycling and walking to school and are investigating ways to raise funds to provide a covered

bicycle store.

9. ROAD SAFETY AND HIGHWAYS - Balls Farm Road - The chair thanked Mark Thomas for his report, Paper 7. The Devon and Cornwall Police are continuing to survey the amount of traffic using Ball Farm Road, on a regular monthly basis. We are still hoping DCC will provide for extra signage at both ends of Ball Farm Road.

10. FINANCE

10.1 Resolved to accept unanimously the financial reports for period 9 May to 11 July 2024 with notification of payments over £100 identified **Papers 8 & 9 a-e**

10.2 Resolved to make a grant of £1000 from Ide Village Fund to WMWG group to help with the expenses for Ide Revel to mark the formal opening of the sports pitches on Saturday 7 September 2024. Paper 10 Proposed by Cllr Irwin and seconded by Cllr Thomas, carried unanimously.

10.3 Resolved to increase the allotment rent for 2024/25 to £43.12 per plot per annum. This is to take account of the increased annual rent charged by DCC from £120 to £150 . Proposed by Cllr Bell and seconded by Cllr Herbert.

10.4 Resolved to accept the recommendations in the review of the Asset Register and to approve the maintenance undertakings identified in Paper 11. The chair thanked Cllr Creasy for his assessment and recommendations

ACTION ML to arrange for the work to be undertaken

A notice will be placed in the Ide Times looking for a volunteer to regularly water the planters at the entrance to the village.

ACTION ML

11. GOVERNANCE

11.1 Updated National Association of Local Council (NALC) Financial Regulations (April 2024) have been adapted to IPC's situation in draft form. Councillors were requested to study the document and send any suggested amendments to the clerk, so that a final version of this updated policy can be presented for formal adoption at the September 2024 IPC meeting.

ACTION all councillors to feed back their comments to the clerk.

11.2 Resolved to accept the report that the Parish Clerk's annual appraisal was conducted by the chair on 27 June 2024, and note that a review of the actions tabled will take place in December 2024.

ACTION NB/ML

11.3 Resolved to fund membership for the clerk of the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) – joining fee £8; Membership £112; Total £120. Proposed by Cllr Creasy and seconded by Cllr Herbert

ACTION ML

12. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.

Cllr Tiley reported that a memorial bench in the corner of the cemetery has rotted away and is now unsafe. Efforts will continue to trace any of the family members who donated the bench in 1995, which holds a plaque in the name of John Urquhart.

Resolved to obtain costings for a replacement bench and proceed with purchase.

ACTION ML/ST will try to trace members of the family; and will obtain costings for and go ahead and purchase a replacement bench

13. CORRESPONDENCE None.

14. THE NEXT MEETING of Ide Parish Council is on Wednesday 11 September 2024 at 7.30pm to be held in Ide Memorial Hall (note - this is the second Wednesday)

The meeting closed at 8.51.