

IDE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11 September 2024 AT 7.30PM IN IDE MEMORIAL HALL

Present: Councillors Nick Bradley (chair), Mark Thomas (vice chair), Paula Burton Perrett, Ben Ervine, Laura Bell, Sarah Tiley and Patrick Irwin.

In attendance: Mel Liversage (clerk), Cllr Charles Nuttall TDC and two members of the public.

1. Apologies: were received from Cllr Rachel Herbert who was unwell and Cllr Nick Creasy for personal reasons – apologies accepted. Cllrs Lake and Parrott (TDC) and Connett (DCC) also tendered their apologies.

2. Declarations of Interest: There were no declarations of interest.

3. The draft minutes of the Ide Parish Council meeting held on 17 July 2024 were approved.

4. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS Cllr Nuttall reported that TDC have funds available under the Rural Transport and Connectivity Grant Scheme which is now open for applications. The scheme can be found on TDC website and is for local organisations to apply. [Rural Transport and Connectivity Fund - Teignbridge District Council](#)

5. PLANNING MATTERS:

Cllr Ervine said that the TDC Enforcement Officer had reported to him that the Round Field site enforcement notice was due to be served shortly.

5.1 New Applications None

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 were submitted to TDC with a revised housing mix: 4 x two bed, 4 x three bed and 2 x four bed homes. No further developments reported.

5.3 Appeals

[23/00054/REF Land at Ngr 290858 90284, Ide Village Road, Ide \(Round Field\).](#)

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) PLANNING INSPECTORATE REF:
3331634. APPEAL REFUSED

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. **APPROVED BY TDC**

6. Teignbridge Local Plan 2020-2040 Submission Version published 14 March 2024. Examination in public Sept – Nov 2024.

The chair thanked Cllr Irwin and Dave Black for their invaluable help in preparing our final written statement (**Paper 1**) - summarising Ide's concerns about the plan for a new 900 house development at Markham Village - submitted to the Examiners on 23 August 2024. Last week we also forwarded a copy of the Storm Ciaran Flood report recently published by Devon County Council.

Our statement included positive proposals for the examiners to consider should they recommend approval of the proposed new village. We have proposed designating a Green Wedge as Suitable Alternative Natural Green Space (SANGs), making a separation zone between Ide and the Markham Farm development, to ensure long-term protection and appropriate management.

We challenged as too low the proposed budget for funding the necessary improvements to infrastructure and services; and hold concerns that the plan may not be viable without much greater (by a factor of about eight) funding. The examinations will begin 16 September 2024.

ACTION: The chair, with Cllr Irwin's and David Black's support, will attend the hearing to speak on the points we have put forward in the week of 5-7 November 2024.

[Teignbridge Local Plan 2020-2040 Examination](#)

6.2 The chair and clerk attended a meeting in Shillingford, along with Exminster and Kenn PC representatives, where it was agreed to form the Exminster, Ide, Kenn & Kennford and Shillingford St George (EIKS) Cluster. The inaugural meeting will be held at 7pm on Monday 14 October 2024 in the Annexe of Exminster Victory Hall, Main Road, Exminster, EX6 8DF. The aim of this local cluster group is to give focus on common issues that need to be discussed with Teignbridge District Council. Cllr John Goody from Exminster PC is also the clerk to Kenn PC and sits on this group. He has considerable experience in preparing Neighbourhood Plans, which could be very helpful when we revise and update the current Ide Neighbourhood Plan.

Action: Cllr Bell and the clerk will attend this meeting.

7. WORKING GROUP REPORTS

7.1 Ide Community Orchard MG. The chair thanked Mark Thomas for his report (**Paper 2**). The management group will meet next on 12 September. Apple gathering and picking will take place on Sunday 13th October; and Apple Day with themed events will take place on 19 October 2024, 10.00 – 14.00 on The Green.

Action: MT liaise w MG for working party 13 Oct and Apple Day 19 Oct

7.2 Weir Meadow and Northern Fields WG

7.2.1 The chair thanked Peter Skinner for his report (**Paper 3**). The delayed artificial wicket is now due to be installed by the end of the month. Cllr Herbert asked that a set of junior practice goalposts be purchased for Weir Meadow. This was unanimously agreed.

ACTION NB to make purchase.

7.2.2 Northern Fields - Woodland Creation scheme Stage 2. Julia Matthews, consultant woodland architect, will produce an outline concept design of the scheme for the WMWG by 22 Sept. Julia will then attend the WMWG meeting on 7 October to hear feedback about the concept design from the group. The next step is public consultation: we will write to all the stakeholders we listed in Stage 1; and hold an event for interested parties on Thursday 10 October from 5-7pm in the Memorial Hall, displaying the plans and holding 2 separate discussion sessions.

ACTION: NB liaise with Julia Matthews for draft concept scheme for WMWG.

ACTION: WG discuss scheme 7 October.

ACTION: Public consultation event 10 October – NB w Julia Matthews.

7.2.3 Peter Skinner attended to give a verbal report on Ide Revel held 7 Sep 2024. This celebration was a great success and a fitting tribute to mark the formal opening of the new recreational spaces. It was well attended despite the rain, and huge thanks go to the Ide Revel team who worked so hard to make it such a wonderful occasion. Although this was not primarily designed to be a fundraising event, a profit has been made from the day, and the total will be announced once the accounts are finalised.

7.3 Joint Projects Fundraising The chair thanked Phil Willcock for his financial reports for WMWG and ICOMG

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7.4 Flood Prevention & Emergency Planning WG

7.4.1 The final report from Devon CC (**Paper 5**) on the effects of flooding caused by Storm Ciarán was recently published, showing that Ide was the worst affected village in Devon with six properties flooded.

7.4.2 The current IPC position in attempting to achieve positive action from the parties involved is:

- Church Commissioners, Savills and Easterbrook's Field – Poppy Martin, Savill's representative, has met with the affected residents, and walked the field to familiarise herself with current conditions and gather the history of the event. She will be making her report to the Church Commissioners, which hopefully will follow DCC's recommendations to keep the ditches clear and follow a crop planting and harvesting pattern which will avoid excessive run off at the lower end of these fields. It is the responsibility of the land owners to apply for funding from the Flood Authority to put in some of the flood prevention measures.

- Devon CC – Cllr Burton Perrett has spoken to DCC, who have agreed to carry out a survey of drains within the next month as recommended in the DCC report to confirm the condition of the drain network before winter, and to clear any debris currently lying within the system.
- Environment Agency – Cllr P-B is in regular contact with the EA and is lobbying further for more help and support.
- Imminent hydrology report – should be available by the end of September
ACTION NB/P-PB will meet to discuss the hydrology report before the next meeting

8. SCHOOL LIAISON AND PLAY AREA - Cllr Thomas reported that he will meet with the headmistress on Friday at the start of the new school year. Cllr Burton Perrett asked about the hedge at the front of the school, as it seems to be disappearing.

ACTION: MT seek further information

9. HIGHWAYS - Balls Farm Road - Cllr Thomas reports that the police will continue to randomly monitor the traffic along Ball Farm Road, now that the schools are back.

10. FINANCE

10.1 Resolved to accept unanimously the financial reports for period 12 July to 4 September 2024 with notification of payments over £100 identified. Proposed by Cllr Ervine and seconded by Cllr Thomas

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10.2 Resolved to accept unanimously the updated report on the Asset Register maintenance plan. The clerk will pursue the repairs done to the **door of the portacabin** in the carpark.

ACTION ML – arrange for repair of portacabin door.

- **The Bus Shelter** structure has been treated with a preservative and a small repair to the guttering has been made.

- Further investigations have revealed that two of the **2000 benches** are beyond repair. Some minor repairs and wood treatment will be undertaken on the remaining ones. We will look at the cost of replacing the two broken benches within next financial year's budget, along with replacement costs for the broken large planter.

ACTION: ML include replacement benches in draft budget to be presented at November meeting.

- The family who originally placed the **bench in the Cemetery** have agreed to fund a replacement bench which will be delivered next week.

- A volunteer has come forward to help with regular **watering the planters.**

- A working party of volunteers have tidied up **Coronation Gardens**, our thanks go to Cllr Tiley and her team of volunteers. Further cutting back and clearing work will be undertaken there shortly.

11. GOVERNANCE

Resolved to adopt the final draft (**Paper 7**) of the updated National Association of Local Councils (NALC) Financial Regulations (April 2024) as adapted for IPC. Proposed by Cllr Bell and seconded by Cllr Burton Perrett. **ACTION: ML TO POST ON WEBSITE**

12. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Ervine report that there is still much mud on the pavement/cycle track along Ide Village Road, just before the Steven's Farm access road, and along the southern margin of the Roundabout, which makes it quite unsafe to cycle there.

ACTION: BE will report this on the DCC Highways website

13. CORRESPONDENCE – none

14. THE NEXT MEETING of Ide Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 20 November 2024 at 7.30pm in Ide Memorial Hall

Meeting closed at 8.52pm

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