

A INKPEN PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Monday 12th December 2022 at 7pm at the pavilion

Those attending the meeting were: Dr D Thomas (Chairman), Mr Bates, Mrs Edwards, Mr Hanna, Mrs Marriott, and Mr May

1. Apologies: Councillor Jones, who was unable to attend the meeting

2. Minutes of the previous meeting – the draft minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 26th July 2022 were approved as a true record and had been displayed on the Parish website.

3. Declaration of Interest: None recorded

3.1 Councillors are the Corporate and Custodian Trustees of the Inkpen Memorial Playing Field.

3.2 The following declaration is made on all minutes for clarification for residents.

Inkpen Parish Council is the Corporate & Custodian Trustee of the Memorial Playing Field Trust and registered with the Charity Commission as the Corporate and Custodian Trustee. Trust meetings and funds are held separately as required by the Charity Commission and confirmed annually to the External Auditors.

As confirmed by the Charity Commission: “The Charity is simply managed and administered by the Council and is not a public sector organisation and not subject to the Freedom of Information Act.” All information about the Charity can be viewed on the Charity Commission website.

4. Matters Arising:

4.1 The issue of speeding in Inkpen was discussed. Councillor Bates had agreed to look at options available to reduce speeding. Illuminated signage is expensive.

Action: Councillor Bates

5. Village Conservation Appraisal, designated by Local Authority: History Group –

inkpenhistory.uk

D Thomas reported that there would be a number of geophysics surveys taking place in the village this year.

Work had already started in the Lower Green area and further development will continue, where there is archaeological merit. The group are working in unison with WBC, English Heritage and Historic England. Findings will be reported on the Inkpen History Group website.

Work will also start on the Conservation Area Appraisal. Initially this will involve bringing the Inkpen maps of roads and byways together. This will require the digitising of existing maps and the overlaying of others. This work for this year requires an initial budget of £300. Council approval is required.

Action: Dr Thomas to report at the next meeting.

6. WBC Climate Change zoom meeting

6.1 Councillor Jones and the Chairman had linked in to the Climate Change forum led by West Berkshire Council for Parish Councils to discuss initiatives that could be undertaken by the community to reduce climate change.

7. MP Meeting with Parish Council Chairs

The Chairman had been invited to attend the meeting with other adjoining Parish representatives – those attending were: Kintbury, Enborne, Hamstead Marshall, Welford and West Woodhay. The meeting covered a number of common issues, speeding, quiet lanes and white lines for single track roads ie Weavers Lane – a further meeting is planned for both Highways and Planning representatives to attend. The Chairman requested members to notify areas for white lines needed on the highway.

Action: All

8.To approve the Expenditure and Financial Statement 2022/2023

8.1 The Clerk tabled the Financial Statement to the period ending 30th November 2022. Income recorded total of £7007.20, which included the second part of the Precept paid to the Parish Account. Expenditure was listed total of £5,335 which had been paid since the last meeting . All items were approved and there were no issues arising. (see attached listing). The cheque paid to the Five a Side Football team of £59.95 for new football nets remains outstanding as uncashed.

11.Date of next meeting: –the next Parish Council meeting needs to be a Finance meeting at the end of January to determine the Precept request for 2023/2024. During that year there will be Elections held for both Parish and District on 4th May 2023.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

Signed:.....Date:

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