

INWARDLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for the Meeting held on Wednesday 16th November 2016, in the Side Room of the Folly Gate Parish Hall.

1. Present: Councillors: Phillip Piddington (Chairman), Ian Dennis, Tim White, Ken Williams, JF (Clerk), Tony Leech (WDBC).

Apologies: Cllrs, Terry Kempster, David Sykes, Kevin Ball (DCC & WDBC) and Mike Davies (WDBC). The clerk presented Cllr Piddington with a Declaration of Acceptance of Office to the position of Chairman Form, which he signed and dated, the clerk then also signed the form.

2. Declarations of interest for Items on the Agenda: None

3. Public Participation: No members of the public were present.

4. Minutes of the Last Meeting: These were read and signed as correct.

5. Matters Arising:

Okehampton Community Hospital: Cllr Tony Leech (WDBC) updated the Parish Council with regards to the in-patient beds at Okehampton Community Hospital. Okehampton is at risk of losing all its current 16 hospital beds, with care in the community being offered as the alternative. Cllr Tony Leech feels very strongly that Okehampton should keep its beds, due to the considerable distance patients would have to travel for a hospital bed. He will continue to put his views forward during the consultation period.

Defibrillator –It was agreed that the Parish Council would purchase two defibrillator's, as a joint initiative, with Inwardleigh & Folly Gate Fund raising Committee. The Parish Council to contribute 10% of the total cost. Cllr Ken Williams agreed to check out the feasibility, of locating the second defibrillator in the phone box at Folly Gate.

Parish Website –This is now complete and can be viewed at www.inwardleigh.org.uk.

6. Planning:

Application No.2861/16/FUL Preston Moor Barn, Inwardleigh, EX20 3AL. Construction of a single dwelling. No decision to date.

Application No.2023/16/PDM Higher Oak, Inwardleigh, EX20 3AS. Prior approval of proposed change of use of agricultural building to a dwellinghouse (C3) and associated operational development (Class Qa+b). Granted.

Application No. 1893/16/PDM Goldburn, Inwardleigh, EX20 3BD. Prior approval of change of use of agricultural building to a dwellinghouse. No decision to date.

Application No. 2510/16/FUL Land at Higher Westacombe Farm, Road Past Westacombe, Inwardleigh, Devon, EX20 3AX. Rural workers dwelling. No decision to date.

Application No. 2626/16/FUL Barn East Of Five Oaks, Folly Gate, Okehampton. Change of use from barn to dwelling and associated work. Conditional Approval.

Applications received since the publication of the agenda: none

7. Finance:

Received

Interest reserve a/c 0.12

Paid since last meeting

Clerks salary 371.60

Clerks expenses 30.15

Accounts to be paid

Western Web 462.00

Clerks expenses 71.94

Account balances as at 16.11.16

Current a/c 4445.91

Reserve a/c 1414.56

Accounts: The Annual Return has been approved by the Audit Commission. The matters reported were duly read out and noted. Procedures were put in place to ensure we fully comply in the future.

Precept: It was agreed to keep the precept for 2017/2018, at the same amount as this current year, therefore a sum of £3,800 will be requested.

8. Matters brought forward by Direction of the Chairman: A letter was received from Linda Harris tendering her resignation as a Councillor. It was agreed that a letter should be sent, to thank her for her work with the Parish Council.

9. Matters brought forward by Councillors: A number of complaints have been received, concerning the cones that have been placed outside the Crossways Inn. It was felt that they were causing a significant safety risk, as they obscure the junction. A letter will be sent to the Highways Agency to make them aware of this matter.

10. Other Matters: Anybody interested in becoming a Parish Councillor should contact the Clerk for further details.

It was agreed that the War Memorial at Inwardleigh would merit a listing status. Councillor Tim White will contact the conservation officer to start this process.

11. Correspondence: Letter received from Linda Harris as mentioned above.

12. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 18th January 2016 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.46 pm.

Signed.....Chairman

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