

Inwardleigh Parish Council Meeting Minutes of the meeting held at the Village Hall on Wednesday 18th January 2023 at 8:00pm

Present: Cllr Piddington (Chair), Cllr Dennis, Cllr Ions, Cllr Hooper, Cllr T.Leech (OTC), Mrs Clarke (Clerk), one member of the public.

01/23 Welcome and apologies for absence:

The Chair opened the meeting at 8pm; apologies were received from Cllr Timms (Vice-Chair), and Cllr Henderson

02/23 Declaration of Interests/Dispensations:

None

03/23 Open Forum:

Comments from Western-web with regards to the web-hosting service. Explained the background to their services and facilities. Don't allow modification of the site, charges were provided. Issues were discussed. The council asked various questions about their services etc. The clerk queried various aspects as the site is too restrictive. WCAG Compliance (accessibility for disabled people, ie large print etc).

04/23 Minutes of the previous meeting:

The minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 16th November 2022 were agreed as a true record. The Chair signed the minutes.

05/23 Matters Arising:

05.01 An update on the defibrillator was given, power has been restored.

05.02 The shed was discussed Cllr Piddington and Cllr Dennis will review this. Possible Asbestos roof. View to removal completely.

05.03 The asbestos report needs to be considered with regards to the yearly report, clerk happy to check old documents for this. We need an asbestos plan, Cllr Dennis indicated that we were classified as low risk.

05.04 Fly tipping the council are aware of a problem with fly tipping and the appropriate authorities have been notified. Cllr Leech provided an update on the situation. We need parishioners to be vigilant to find the people doing this, as this is both a health hazard and a fire risk to every parishioner. Information needs to be placed in the newsletter to alert every person.

06/23 Planning:

06.01 4357/22/COM – Airband as permitted development has passed. Conversation was held on the second application that is still being processed.

06.02 4527/22/COM – Airband the notice of intent which is a formal notice, nothing to be considered on this.

06.03 Updates on others, 3980/22/CLP, this was for a certificate of lawfulness which has been refused. The councillors discussed the details. Historical condition was placed some decades ago.

06.04 Cllr Leech mentioned about the developer listing names and we indicated we have already responded to these requests.

07/23 Finance

07.01 Cheques were signed for the clerks wages, the internal auditors fees and the amount payable to HMRC

07.02 An update was given about the agar which has been accepted by the external auditors. However the cheques that were cancelled off in the year upto 31st March 2021 need to be reversed into this current year.

07.03 Bank reconciliation was approved upto the end of November as due to strikes there have been no statements to cover the December period.

07.04 Computer renewal, still waiting on the appropriate prices.

07.05 The budget confirmed at the November meeting, approval has been given to the clerk to submit the precept application with details of the existing bank account.

07.06 Details of the new bank account were provided to the council by the clerk.

07.08 Possible purchase of a ext hdd enclosure were mooted.

08/23 Matters Brought Forward by the Chairman

08.01 Concerns were raised about the local pub, what is happening.

09/23 Matters Brought Forward by the Councillors

09.01 Cllr Dennis raised an issue with the sign at Inwardleigh for Norley needs replacing, clerk to inform the council. Sign adjacent to Hillcrest.

09.02 Cllr Ions raised the issue of the pot holes on the main road, also on Cllr Hooper mentioned the school bus will not go along the road. Depth is the key whether or not it is classified as a pot hole. Cllr Leech indicated WDBC have a facility for reporting online.

09.02 Drain on the main road is causing flooding. Between Elmead Cross and Narratons Farm. This needs to be reported to Highways as dangerous with regards to traffic.

Cllr Leech updates:-

09.03 Cllr Leech provided an update and details on speedwatch, they want someone from each parish to attend. One set of equipment that a group can move around the parishes. Cllr Hooper /Piddington cant attend the 26th.

09.04 Cost of living issues be placed in the Okehampton Times, WDBC are putting in ideas to help and they are also on the WDBC website. This week mould and condensation.

09.05 Ukraine trying to find accomodation for refugees, quota that have to be housed that migrate across the channel.

09.06 Government have specific funding for village halls. A discussion was held on this and the platinum funding. See also **10.04**, another fund will be available in due course from WDBC.

09.07 A robust discussion was held on the website, fees, examples of other suppliers and compliance and how insurance works. Web page hits, the numbers.

Has the council assets department been in touch - no

10/23 Clerk's Correspondence:

10.01 Details of a request by J. Harris regarding walking in Devon were provided.

10.02 Details of the West Devon Mayoral awards were provided, nominees are being requested.

10.03 Email received regarding elections and a brief discussion was held on the processes and the fact it is all councils, boroughs, town and parish councils.

10.04 Defra funding about the village hall as Cllr Leech had mentioned Cllr Ions indicated it was being reviewed by the parish hall committee.

10.05 An allotment (Foster) has been given up and cleared ready for the next person- Marcela Alves.

11/23 Date of the next meeting: 15th March 2023 at 8pm

12/23 Meeting closed at:- 21:24pm

_____ Chair

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