

Inwardleigh Parish Council Meeting
Minutes of the meeting held at the Village Hall on
Wednesday 22nd March 2023 at 8:00 pm

Present: Cllr Piddington (Chair), Cllr Dennis, Cllr Ions, Cllr Hooper, Cllr T.Leech,
Cllr Timms (Zoom), Mrs Clarke (Clerk)

13/23 **Apologies for absence** - none

14/23 **Declarations of interest for items on the agenda** - none

15/23 **Public participation period** – no public attendance.

16/23 **Minutes of the last meeting** on the 22nd January were agreed as a true record. The Chair signed the minutes.

17/23 **Matters arising**

1) **Update on speedwatch** was provided from Cllr Timms who attended the the Speed Awareness meeting, 6 people attended, from Exbourne, Jacobstowe, Lewdown, and Okehampton.

- Teams of three will be needed and the parish council will be seeking volunteers for this. It can be carried out weekly/month at different times.

- The speed guns and hi vis vests can be shared with other parishes, and one person is needed to be an administrator to collate the data. Bodycams are advisable.

- Offenders receive letters for the first two offences and a visit from a police on the third occasion. Only one person is needed for the training as they can then train others. Daylight hours only. People can assist in different areas as rather than their own area.

2) **Meeting dates**, the one on the 18th September appears to be listed on the wrong day, this date has been corrected to the 20th at 8pm

3) The dates of the meetings were set for next year. (add list here)

4) The **May meeting** will be for both the APM and AGM on the 17th May at 7.30 for the APM meeting and then the agm at 8pm

5) **Insurance** this is due on the 1st June, the council worked out the amounts of cover required for all of the list provided by the clerk who will contact, Bhib, Gallagher, Zurich, for a quote in advance of the next meeting.

6) **Cllr Leech reports** – reminded all the councillors about the legal requirements on and around an election.

Allotments (see further down on the minutes) he hopes that this is a positive contact with the council on this matter.

Cllr Leech indicated that this could be his last meeting, he pointed out what remains to be sorted out, the housing crisis, homelessness and the Ukraine situation. Government are planning to change the Airbnb rules, also new rules for rental properties to EPC C, so it is likely the housing stock will diminish.

Reports of drink driving occurring in this area the police are aware of this.

S106, Cllr Leech confirmed that this set of funds will be given to the Parish Council.

7) **Elections** the clerk answered queries on this. Electoral roll numbers will be required for nomination forms, these have been requested by the clerk from WDBC. Submission deadline is the 4th April at 4pm. The clerk will deliver the papers on Monday 3rd April

18/23

Planning

A)-0472/23/AGR- Cllr Dennis indicates this was a new application, the proposal is for a cold store and workshops. The question being raised was what is the applicant planning to do bearing in mind the contact address is in Yeovil.

B) -0731/23/COM Cllr Dennis mentioned where the poles the Airband poles will be cited.

C) -0655/23/COM Airband, as above

D) -0207/23/VAR application for an extension on the house, this has been refused due to the planning conditions back in 1977, they have asked for this restriction to be removed. The council discussed this.

E) - 0483/23/AGR – Discharge of conditions for the development. The Council are very concerned about this and object to this as there is possible contamination of agricultural water supplies in the area.

19/23

Finance

- Cheques for signing for ICO payment, wages, HMRC and for the Inwardleigh and Folly Gate Fundraising committee were completed

- Banking reconciliation and figures were provided.

- Budget spending figure will be provided at the end of the year.

- Contingency figures were provided for moving forward into the next year.

20/23

Matters brought forward by the Chairman – nothing further.

21/23

Matters brought forward by Councillors. Cllr Timms, indicated the coronation events will be at the hall as there are no spare fields that can be used that weekend. Volunteers will be needed.

Cllr Dennis asked about an update on the signs and the drains, the clerk said the sign has been sorted, and the drains via highways are very slow in responding.

22/23

Correspondence.

- Elections and voter ID notices, Cllr Timms indicated that they are on the newsletter, the clerk confirmed they are on the noticeboards. Cllr Timms has put them on the facebook page. Voter id can also be by a gun licence or bus pass.

- Allotments ref WDBC email 31.1.23, the council want to know who owns the land, as we already manage the allotments.

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Date of next meeting: 17th May 2023 the meeting closed at 21:10

Chair

Dated