

INWARDLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for the Meeting held on Wednesday 16th May 2018, in the Side Room of the Folly Gate Parish Hall.

1. Present: Councillors: Terry Kempster (Chairman), Ian Dennis, David Sykes, Carol Timms, Parish Clerk, Tony Leech (WDBC).

Apologies: Cllrs, Phillip Piddington, Tim White, Kevin Ball (DCC & WDBC), Mike Davies (WDBC).

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

3. Public Participation: 4 members of the public were present. They were all dog owners and complained about the dog mess that was not being picked up, in the New Road area. It was thought that one local individual was responsible. Tony Leech will contact WDBC to request a representative, who will drive round and monitor the situation. Anybody found not picking up after their dog, risks receiving a hefty fine from the Council. Cllr Timms advised that an article could be put in the newsletter and asked that the parishioners present, submit something suitable. Installing a dog bin in the area was discussed, but as the resident was not currently picking up after their dog, it was felt that it would have no effect in resolving this issue. There would also be a cost to the Parish Council to purchase the bin and an ongoing cost to have it emptied. This was discussed, the Precept would have to be raised to cover these additional costs. The Councillors were not in favour, as all parishioners would have to bear the cost. It was felt, that this would be unfair to other residents of the parish, who did not have a dog and did not live in the area.

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

5. Matters Arising:

Phone Box – Councillor Kempster will ask a friend and also at the Lions Club of Okehampton, to see if a volunteer can be found to paint the phone box. If anyone else would like to volunteer for this role please contact Cllr Timms, paint will be supplied.

Cllr Sykes advised that there had not been enough interest in his broadband questionnaires to justify a speaker on the subject.

The Councillors voted to co-opt Mrs Ions, all were in favour. The Clerk will supply Mrs Ions with the necessary background papers so that she will have some knowledge and understanding of the Code and what will be expected of her as a Councillor.

Devon Association of Local Councils – The Clerk has received an invoice for the annual membership. It was discussed and agreed by all present that this service was worthwhile; a cheque was written out for £111.35.

6. Planning:

4147/17/FUL Folly Gate Garage Folly Gate Inwardleigh EX20 3AH Demolition of bungalow, garage complex and outbuildings and erection of 11no. dwellings and associated site works. No decision to date.

Applications received since the publication of the Agenda:

3441/17/OPA Proposed development site at SX573976 Folly Gate READVERTISEMENT (Revised Plans Received) Outline application with some matters reserved for the construction of 25 dwellings, associated car parking, access and estate road, private amenity space and public open space. The Councillors voted to Object for the same reasons as last time. There was very little difference compared to the first application, for proposed development on this site.

7. Finance:

Received

Interest reserve a/c 0.12

Paid since last meeting

Clerks salary 473.66

Clerks expenses 17.20

Scanner 134.48

Hire of Hall 36.00

Accounts to be paid

DALC 111.35

Mrs M Dennis 35.00

OCDTG 75.00

Citizen Advice 50.00

Churchyard fund 150.00

Newsletter grant 40.00

Account balances as at

16.05.18

Current a/c 4244.59

Reserve a/c 1415.03

8. Matters brought forward by Direction of the Chairman: None.

9. Matters brought forward by Councillors:

Cllr Tony Leech (WDBC) updated the Parish Council with regards to the Joint Local Plan. The inspectors are currently looking at it and it should be finalized by the end of the year.

10. Correspondence: by email

Cllr Mike Davies re Potholes:

This continues to be an issue that residents regularly report to me. I know that Tony Leech raised this at a previous meeting of the Parish Council. Please report potholes on the Devon County Council website. The website address is: <https://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/>

This is still the first place to report a problem/s.

If there are still concerns with no action being taken you should contact Cllr James McInnes who is the Devon County Councillor covering your Parish. His email address

is: James.McInnes@devon.gov.uk

10. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 18th July 2018 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.24pm.

Signed.....Chairman

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