

Agenda 3rd December 2019 Iden Parish Council

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Parish council members are summoned to the meeting to be held on Tuesday 3rd December 2019 at 7.30pm in Iden Village Hall

Clerk Signature Date of notice 28th November 2019

Members of the Public and Press are welcome and encouraged to attend

AGENDA

1. Apologies

2. Disclosure of Interests

To receive any disclosure by Members of personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Member regards the personal interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct. Members are reminded of the need to repeat their declaration immediately prior to the commencement of the item in question.

3. Minutes which are available from Idenvillage.wordpress.com

To approve minutes of the parish council meeting held on 5th November 2019 (previously distributed) and to sign as a true record

The meeting to adjourn for up to 25 minutes for reports County Councillor and District Councillors and public question time

This 10-minute period is available for the public to express a view or ask a question on relevant matters on the following agenda. Because of time constraints, only one question will be permitted per member of the public. Please advise the clerk if you have any other questions at the end of the meeting.

The meeting to reconvene.

Members of the public are welcome to stay and observe the rest of the meeting when they must remain silent.

4. Planning

Planning information on applications is available from Rother District Council website)

4.1 Enforcements: None

4.2 Planning Decisions by Rother District Council:

RR/2019/2287/P Corkwood Farmhouse, Readers Lane: Erection of garden room to side of dwelling - Approved

4.3 Applications Received: None

5. Finances

5.1 Financial Information

Bank balances as at 27th November 2019 Treasurer's Account £6,895.45 Reserve Account £9,910.88 and review of first draft budget.

5.2 Receipts

£3,534.78 HMRC Vat refund (up to date) £ 0.45 November bank interest

5.3 Interim Payments made

£144.00 Sussex association of Local Council legal and finance training day (vat

£24.00)

5.4 Agreement of payments

(including but not limited to)

£452.05 Clerks monthly salary (8 hours per week) £41.70 Clerks admin; room £30 and car £11.70

£9.33 Pett PC- Mobile Phone

Charge Card

£40.00 Information Commissioners Office: annual data registration fee

6. To review the charges for Iden New Burial Ground

As a result of the increase in requests for interment of ashes and the space required for the foundation stone for memorials for ashes, the clerk suggests the following charges:

Reservation fees for those with connection to the parish:

5 year reservation fee for burial plot for coffin £250 each and for ashes (half a burial plot)

£125 each. Reservations for ashes have to made in pairs

Acquisitions for those with a connection to the parish:

Acquisition of burial plot single depth for coffin £ 600

Acquisition of burial plot double depth for coffin £500 each coffin payable for both on acquisition

Acquisition of plot for ashes (only single depth available) £300 each payable for both on acquisition. Acquisition of plot for ashes has to be made in pairs

Interment fee at the time of burial for ashes or coffin £100 each

Inscription fees to remain the same but to include inscriptions for All Saints Churchyard Charges for those without a connection to be twice that of the above

7. Highways Urban Verge Cuts in Iden

Highways used to provide up to 6 verge cuts per year. Two years ago, highways reduced these to the minimum safety level of two a year but offered parishes the opportunity to pay for the additional cuts. For the last two years Rother District Council paid this charge but will no longer cover the cost. The charge for four additional urban cuts is £364. Highways is also offering to contribute £182, should the parish council self-deliver. Highways require a

response by mid-December. Any contractor employed must comply with Highways requirements for training and insurance. Previous quote from our current grass contractor was higher. It is not a legal requirement to cut the verges more than twice a year. **To agree to contract Highways for the four additional urban verge cuts cost £364.00**

8. Fete and its storage container on the playing field

The possible demise of the Fete Committee and what will happen with their container and its contents

- 9. To agree updated Standing Orders (draft circulated to councillors).
- 10. To agree that 2020 schedule of meetings will be every first Tuesday of the month except for august when the council does not meet. Suggestions for a date for the annual parish meeting welcome. March
- 11. Iden Playing Fields, Pavilion and Play Area
- 12. Risk Assessment Report on Parish Assets

13. Information for councillors for noting or inclusion on future agenda

Speed watch have been offered the opportunity for a PC to attend the odd session alongside the voluntary group

Development and Site Allocation review by the inspector has not resulted in any alterations to the Conkers Site accessed from Elmsmead

Consultation on Police powers regarding unauthorised encampments

14. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 7th January 2020 at 7.30pm Iden Village Hall