



# *Iden Parish Council*

## **Minutes of the Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021 7.30pm, Iden Village Hall**

### **Notices**

The Tea Party planned for the 11<sup>th</sup> December at the village hall has been cancelled but all would be welcome to Carols with refreshments at Oxenbridge on the 22<sup>nd</sup> December 7pm with advice to wear warm clothes and to take a torch.

### **Present**

Councillors R Griffin (Chairman), M. Miller (acting Clerk) and J. Wood.  
In attendance: District Councillor Lizzie Hacking.  
Members of the Public: 5

### **Apologies**

County Councillor Glazier, District Councillor Osborne and Parish Councillors Allard and Say. The Clerk was absent as isolating for hospital visit.

### **Disclosure of Interests**

None.

### **Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

**Following amendment, it was resolved to agree the minutes of the 2nd November 2021 as a true record.**

### **The meeting adjourned at 7.35pm for Public Session**

#### **County Councillor Report**

None. Residents advised that the water drainage issue at Readers Corner is now nearing resolution.

#### **District Councillors Report**

The number of outstanding planning applications had been reduced from 700 to 500. The reopening of the George Hotel in Rye had been delayed due to retrospective planning

permission needed for the outside paint. There are no update on possible plans to redevelop Bexhill Town Hall. Local taxis firms are refusing short journeys.

### **Public Questions**

A resident asked the council to reconsider its use of pesticides on the playing fields as this is potentially harmful to animals and their food chain. The council will investigate this.

The opportunity to plant a tree for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee was mentioned and that monies could be raised from public donations.

Mr Turk can be seen around the village metal detecting. He always seeks the landowner's permission.

The meeting reconvened at 7.45pm

### **Planning**

#### **4.1 Enforcements - None**

#### **4.2 Planning Decisions made by Rother District Council since the last meeting**

RR/2021/1925/P May House, Wittersham Road

Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning approval RR/2020/2459/P Proposed larger outbuilding to include study and WC – Refused. An Appeal has been submitted.

RR/2021/675/P Mi Cottage, Wittersham Road

Proposed Ground floor rear extension linking main dwelling to existing annexe building. New air source heat pump. – Granted.

#### **4.3 Applications considered:**

RR/2021/1706/L The Granary, Wittersham Road: Installation of 2 conservation velux windows and 4 light tunnels to roof. **It was resolved that the council was not able to comment through lack of guidance on this application for listed buildings.**

### **Finances**

#### **5.1 Bank Balances**

Bank balance as at 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 £25,797.66. Councillors to consider the draft budget already circulated.

#### **5.2 November Receipts**

£0.08 November bank interest

#### **5.3 Additional November Payments**

£35.00 Information Commissioner's Office: Annual Data Handler fee ( this has been set up as a direct debit and thus received a £5 reduction)

#### **5.4 The following payments were authorised**

£41.70 Clerk's December Allowances: Room £30 and car £11.70

£473.55 M Philo December Clerk's salary

£13.81 Pett PC: Share of Mobile Phone for the Clerk (vat Nil)

£13.87 Appledore PC: Share of XL black ink (vat nil)  
£6.87 Appledore PC: Share of box of paper (5 reams) and paper folders (vat Nil)  
Charge Card  
£151.20 Wix.com: 3 years hosting fee for the new website

#### **6 Wilder Iden Funding request**

**It was resolved to refund Wilder Iden Group the cost of hiring a scarifier for the group.** Estimated cost £50.

#### **7 Iden Pavilion Association**

**As per Iden Pavilion Association's constitution 3.3, it was resolved to nominate Ray Griffin to the committee as Acting Chairman, Greg Say as Treasurer, Michael Miller as Secretary** to allow the Association to function and make decisions. It was further agreed to nominate Jim Wood as Iden PC Representative.

**As per 10.2 of Iden Pavilion Association Constitution, it was resolved to confirm its agreement to the dissolution of the Association if called for by Iden Pavilion Association.**

#### **8. Risk Assessment – Report on Parish Assets**

The cutting back of the trees on the playing field was in progress.

#### **9. Information for Councillors**

A resident had requested a village Christmas tree next year.  
The new website is ready to go live.

#### **10. Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022, 7.30pm, Iden Village Hall. The meeting closed at 8.03pm.