

Agenda 7th November 2023, Iden Parish Council

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Parish council members are summoned to the Meeting to be held on 7th November 2023 at 7.30pm Iden Village Hall

Signed Date 2nd November 2023

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 (available from http://www.idenvillage.uk)

To approve minutes of the parish council meeting held on 3rd October 2023 (previously distributed) and to sign as a true record.

The meeting to adjourn for up to 25 minutes for

Report from the County Councillor and District Councillors 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

(Information on applications is available from Rother District Council website)

4.1 Enforcements and Appeals

No further advice since the last meeting.

4.2 Planning Decisions by Rother District Council - None

4.3 Applications to be considered:

RR/2023/2156/P Spring Farm – Land adjacent to Military Road: Extension and restoration to existing store for agricultural use.

5. Finances - Parish Council

5.1 Bank Balances and Second Quarter Financial Report

Bank Balances:

 30th September 2023
 £31,439.94

 Total Receipts
 £ 396.71

 Total Payments
 £ 626.19

 31st October 2023
 £31,210.46

(31st October statements -Treasurers Account £20,872.18 and Reserve Account £10,338.28)

Unpresented payments £22.18 and amounts due £37.20 making the running balance £31,225.48

5.2 Budget for 2024-2025

A first draft (circulated). Suggestions and recommendations for work to be included from residents and councillors would be welcomed.

5.2 October Receipts

£9.51 October Bank Interest

£350.00 Renewal of burial plot reservation 37.20 Beckley Parish Council: Share of ink

5.3 Payments to authorise:

	£525.20	Clerk's November salary
	£41.70	Clerk's November room and cat allowance
	£35.00	Information Commissioner: Data handler registration (direct debit)
	£1,320.00	GSH Tree Surgery: Clear fallen oak branch and cut back tree branches
overhanging the pavilion (vat £220)		
	£540 00	C.D. Pyo Proportion Sorvices: Sundial Poturbishment

£540.00 C D Rye Properties Services: Sundial Refurbishment £413.50 Iden Village Hall Annual room hire plus bus shelter dedication £ 52.75 Refund M Philo Go Daddy: Domain renewal for 2 years (vat £8.79)

Payment card details transferred to the parish council card for future payments.

Charge card (9th November) Microsoft payment of £59.99 advised in October.

(Nb. no RALC invoice received as yet nor any from Gibbs for grass cutting)

5.4 Donation to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal To agree to donate £50 to the appeal.

LGA 1972, s137

6. Urban Verge Cuts - 2024

Highways will provide two cuts for free. To agree to contract highways for at least two extra cuts for urban verges. Cost £595

7. Community Asset - The Bell Inn

Report for community group looking into the possible acquisition of the Bell Inn- The Bell Inn Working Party

8. New burial ground

8.1 Ashes Internment area update

9. Policies

The council needs to update some of its policies.

To agree to update to the current Information Commissioner's Information Publication scheme. Copy circulated. Note links will be provided to the documents on the schedule.

10. Finances - Pavilion

10.1 Bank Balances

Bank Balances on 31st October 2023 £3,175.13

10.2 October Receipts

£350.00 Castle water passed on the two compensation amounts due to the water disruption in June

10.3 November Payments

£23.00 EDF monthly direct debit payment 15th of the month

£tba Guttering work (vat £)

£67.20 JS Fire Protection : Fire extinguisher check

A water bill is due shortly.

11. Iden Playing Fields and Pavilion

11.1 Pavilion Working Party Report

a) To note the working party's request that a Community Interest Organisation be formed to take on a lease for the pavilion.

- b) To agree that the Parish Councillors meet Representatives of the working party as soon as possible to consider their proposals and the options available to the Parish Council which can be agreed at a subsequent meeting.
- c) To agree to the working party assessing the pavilion for interior works.
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- f) To agree to allow the group to hold a fundraising event on Saturday 27th July 2023. Iden Cricket Club have confirmed they will schedule no matches that day.

12. Risk Assessment - Report on Parish Assets

13. Information for Councillors (for noting or inclusion on future agenda)

Some residents reported cleaning the signs on their road.

Rain stayed away for the re-dedication of Elmsmead Bus Shelter on the 28th October. The residents that laid the base and erected the shelter, in May 2022 included Bill Headde, Tim Barham, Jed Say, Jim Wood and Chris Wood. The shelter building was acquired from Kent Sectional Buildings.

Drop-in Session for outline plans for Conker's field development on Monday 13th November 4pm to 6pm Iden Village Hall.

Remembrance Sunday Service 12th November 10.50am at the War Memorial.

Civility and Respect Pledge.

ESALC AGM & Conference 14th November at Uckfield Civic Centre.

14. Date of Next Meeting

Next meeting Tuesday 5th December 2023, 7.30pm Iden Village Hall.