

IWERNE MINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

**DRAFT Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held in the Abingdon Hall on
Wednesday 6th February 2008 commencing at 7.30 p.m.**

PRESENT Councillors , Jill Ball (A' Chairman)
Mike Jones, Deborah Croney, and Rob Smith. Also DCC Member - Angus Campbell.

IN ATTENDANCE Derek Stanley (Clerk) also Home Watch Geoff Peters and 2. Members of The Public.

- 1688. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Cllrs, John Hooper, Dianne Benfield and Terry Payne.
- 1689. THE MEETING** The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed those present.
- 1690. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council's meeting held on 2nd Jan 2008, be approved. Also signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- 1691 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.** a) Climate Change – noted that a Public meeting would be held shortly. b) The Clerk reported three small spelling corrections.
- 1692. PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND DECISIONS**
07/0998 Pedestrian access to Corner Cottage. Cllr Croney had talked to The Planners as to the policy on this sort of application, To await the Chairmans return
0/0316 Land and Farm Buildings at Stud Farm, Reply still awaited from NDDC
(Cllr Croney agreed to follow these matters up with The Planning Officer.)

08/0044. Knapps Close -- Members do not support this application as it is as an over development of the site from the modest building existing. Also the foundations will damage a protected tree near the site. Info NDDC.
08/0060. Members do support this application –Patch Cottage, Tower Hill. However the new windows will overlook an adjoining property and the drawings were unacceptable and badly produced. Info NDDC. for any action they may wish to take.
07/1241. The Old Bakery, Dunns Lane. Noted as approved by NDDC.
08/0080. Preston Farm House. 4 No Dormer windows, double garage and new entrance. Supported.
- 1693. RECREATION:** It was indicated that there were no matters to raise at this time in the absence of The Chairman. The Clerk reported receipt of a grass cutting Tender from the existing Contractor for 2008/09 in the sum of £1832 for the year- an increase of 4%. (from£1749) The Chairman Cllr Benfield recommended acceptance. -----Resolved so accepted.
- 1694. ROADS AND TRANSPORT** Cllr Smith The reported that a) due to Building work in Dunns Lane permission had been given to the Builder to use a piece of Recreation ground entrance to park some vehicles – thus removing a highway hazard. However the matter was not proceeding satisfactorily and Cllr Smith agreed to follow up any problems. b) Some work had been completed to clear paths and generally tidy up. Also some hedge cutting had been completed.
- 1695. VITAL VILLAGES.** Cllr Croney had no further report on this item.
- 1696 PARISH PLANNING AND DESIGN.** Cllr Payne was away.

1697. **HOME WATCH.** Mr Geoff Peters reported more Police Staff changes and there was a problem of inconsistent working in the area. Minor crime was reported including a break in Oakwood Drive, a problem was also recorded at Home Farm. A 999 call brought the Police in 15 minutes. Members thought this very good.

1698. **CONSERVATION. CLIMATE CHANGE.** It was indicated that a meeting with interested parties was to be held on 13th March at Clayesmore School. Other Parishes to be invited. More publicity was required and The Clerk had spoken to DAPTC Office as to ways and means of doing this. They were to give help with the circulation of notice etc. Meeting notices were taken by Cllr Ball for the notice board.

1699. **RIGHTS OF WAY.** Cllr Hooper was unable to be present.

1682 **REPORTS FROM COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS** DCC a) Some road closures were noted and the Chairman asked that a notice be placed on the village notice Boards for public information. Cllr Ball agreed to this. b) RSS now available and might promote more Housing in the area. The Clerk had a copy if any member required same. c) Council Tax was expected to be less than 5% for Dorset. (overall) NDDC . The NDDC:- 1) CEO to visit Iwerne with Cllrs soon and questions were to be invited. Members asked to be ready for this. Date for this 17th March next. 2) Gillingham Leisure Centre now closed. A number of other matters are listed in an appendix attached to these minutes.

1683. **COMMUNITY PLANNING.** Cllr Jones gave a report on DAPTC and the policy action now in hand.

1684 **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED DURING DECEMBER.**

A list of correspondence received during January 08 was referred to by The Chairman and duly noted by Members (see list attached to the agenda..)

1685. **ACCOUNTS & BALANCES**

(a) accounts be authorised for payment :-

	£
Clerks Salary. For 5 weeks	185.00
Offices expenses	<u>40.00</u>
3 car trips to Iwerne.	10.00
A/c.540 <u>Total for payment -----</u>	<u>£235.00</u>

541 Abingdon Hall Rent----- £10.00

ALL APPROVED FOR PAYMENT -----RESOLVED. .

1686 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.** a.) Window Alarms report by Geoff Peters was noted.

b) Cllr Rob Smith gave details of a problem in the village with the possibly misuse of a piece of land (May be Highway) some setting out could be seen and clearly there could be more action to come. The Clerk was asked to write to DCC and NDDC providing details and asking for help. Cllr Smith agreed to let the clerk have full details.

1687. **AOB a) Next meeting 5th March 2008.**

Meeting ended at 9.10- pm

CHAIRMAN _____ DATE _____

