

Ivinghoe Parish Council

Minutes of the Ivinghoe Parish Council Meeting held at Ivinghoe Town Hall on Monday 9th January 2023 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT:

Ivinghoe Parish Councillors: Karen Groom (Chairman), Sheena Bexson, Paul Jellis, Clive Ketteridge, Stephen Lott and Helen Nash.

Buckinghamshire Councillor Peter Brazier.

Ivinghoe Parish Clerk Bridget Knight.

Eight members of the public.

C/001/23. Chairman's Welcome.

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the year.

C/002/23. Parish Council Vacancy.

Following the resignation of Councillor Pat Roach the vacancy was advertised with one applicant. Helen Nash was co-opted onto Ivinghoe Parish Council as a Councillor for Ivinghoe Ward, Ivinghoe Parish. Councillor Nash signed the declaration of office. The Chairman welcomed Councillor Nash.

C/003/23. Public Question Time.

An Ivinghoe Aston resident asked whether the Parish Council would support running a repair café in the Old School Ivinghoe Hub, the hub Chairman was present and welcomed the idea, the resident will write an article for the Ivinghoe Beacon Magazine to ascertain interest from the community. Ivinghoe Parish Council Chairman thanked the resident.

An Ivinghoe resident raised the matter of the Old Shop, Ivinghoe with concerns over the state of the listed building. Councillor Brazier will check the status with Buckinghamshire Council as the planning application was approved.

A local resident asked for an update regarding Ivinghoe Old School Village Hub, it was confirmed by the hub Chairman the café should be opening in February-March. The resident welcomed the news and thanked the hub Chairman.

C/004/23 Ivinghoe Old School Village Hub and Ivinghoe Town Hall.

The hub Chairman explained the plans for the hub and that the hub would like to loan money from the Parish Council for two-three years to be able to complete the project and allow the café to re-open. Bucks Councillor Brazier confirmed that the hub will receive a refund of £638 on business rates. The Councillors had a few further questions, and the Parish Clerk will liaise with the hub Chairman for next meeting.

It was agreed to undertake Legionnaires Testing at Ivinghoe Town Hall, as a routine matter with no special concerns. Ivinghoe Parish Clerk will check with Buckinghamshire Council to see who is responsible for this.

C/005/23. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Bamber and Buckinghamshire Councillor Town.

C/006/23. Declarations of Interest or Dispensations from Councillors Relating to this Meeting.

Councillor Ketteridge declared that a rumour is circulating that he wants to build houses on his land, he stated this is not true and he has no interest in planning application 20/03686/APP – Willow Farm, Ivinghoe Aston. Councillor Lott stated that he is an allotment tenant.

C/007/23. Report from Buckinghamshire Councillors.

A report was circulated prior to the meeting and there were no further updates.

C/008/23. To Approve the Minutes of the Ivinghoe Parish Council Meeting held on the 5th December 2022.

The minutes were approved by the Council and the Chairman signed the minutes as true and accurate.

C/009/23. Planning Applications:

22/03686/APP | Erection of 6 new dwellings and associated parking and landscaping | Willow Farm Ivinghoe Aston Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9DF

Councillor Brazier reported the applicant has been informed that the application will be refused by Buckinghamshire Council. Ivinghoe Parish Council has emailed the Planning Officer at Development Control and requested a copy of the Buckinghamshire Council Ecologist report twice, both times the request has been ignored. Therefore, the Parish Council is unable to comment without the full information made available.

C/010/23. Footpaths, Bridleways, Trees and Playgrounds.

The Chairman will speak to the volunteer about protecting cables on Ivinghoe Lawn which are temporarily placed for Christmas lights and fete electricity supply.

The Chairman confirmed the two new Walnut trees have been planted to commemorate the late Queen's Jubilee.

C/011/23. Coronation – 6th May 2023.

Ivinghoe Parish Council will follow the Pageant Master guidance when this is available. The Chairman will arrange for the jubilee beacon to be updated.

C/012/23. Highways, Streets and Transport (including Speedwatch).

Ivinghoe Traffic Calming – no update.

It was agreed to write to the land owns of Deneside and Millhaven regarding their hedges encroaching onto the footpath.

C/013/23. Allotments.

It was agreed to organise a tree survey for the cultivated area of Ivinghoe allotments.

A report of rubbish dumped at the allotment was discussed, it was suggested that anyone requiring hardcore could use this.

C/014/23. Clerk's Report.

Ivinghoe Parish Clerk reported the defibrillator in Ivinghoe is booked to be repaired this week and will be unavailable for a short time until the loan unit arrives. The Ivinghoe Aston defibrillator was upgraded a few months ago.

A payment will be made to the Scouts to pay for Christmas lights electricity of £150 which covers three years, the Parish Clerk will request bank details from the Scouts.

C/015/23. Financial Matters.

The Councillors set the budget for 2023/24 and the precept demand was set at £69,500 which equates to a band D increase of 3.73% PROPOSED BY Councillor Bexson and SECONDED BY Councillor Jellis and carried unanimously.

The following accounts were authorised for payment:

Payee	Description	Total Paid
Buckinghamshire Council	Commercial Bin - Nov	£18.06
Chairman/EE	Office Mobile - Dec	£44.39
Clerk	Reimburse expenses	£22.55
Litter	Litter December 22	£125.00
N Power	Streetlight Elec	£48.39
Unity Trust	Service Charge	£18.00
Wicksteed	November inspection	£288.00
Wicksteed	August inspection	£288.00

Received	
Slapton PC	£36.00
Mentmore PC	£36.00
Allotment rent	£14.00
N Power Refund	£1,191.89
Beacon Advert	£47.50
Lawn Hire	£40.00
Ivinghoe Town Hall	£150.00

Balances:	
Unity Trust	£109,487.40

C/016/23. Meeting Dates and Venue:

Next meeting 6th February 2023 at 7.00pm in Ivinghoe Town Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.