

Ivinghoe Parish Council

Minutes of the Ivinghoe Parish Council Meeting held at Ivinghoe Town Hall on Monday 5th December 2022 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT:

Ivinghoe Parish Councillors: Chairman Karen Groom, Vice Chairman Claire Bamber, Sheena Bexson, Paul Jellis, Clive Ketteridge and Stephen Lott.

Buckinghamshire Councillors Peter Brazier, Chris Poll and Derek Town.

Ivinghoe Parish Clerk Bridget Knight.

Seven members of the public.

C/172/22. Chairman's Welcome.

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone including three Buckinghamshire Councillors. The Chairman thanked the Councillors and the Parish Clerk for their work during the year.

C/173/22. Public Question Time.

None.

C/174/22. Apologies for Absence.

None.

C/175/22. Declarations of Interest or Dispensations from Councillors Relating to this Meeting.

None.

C/176/22. To Approve the Minutes of the Ivinghoe Parish Council Meeting held on the 17th November 2022.

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

C/177/22. Traffic Incident in Ivinghoe Aston – 19th November 2022.

Councillor Lott reported a near incident where an Ivinghoe Aston resident was almost hit by a speeding vehicle. This has been reported to Thames Valley Police and Buckinghamshire Council. A resident asked about speed restrictions in Ivinghoe Aston, Councillor Ketteridge stated the Cabinet Member for Highways attended and suggested soft traffic calming measures. Councillor Bexson confirmed even if chicanes were placed those people who want to speed will be able to continue. Buckinghamshire Council have promised to renew the white lines in the village, Ivinghoe Parish Council continues pressure to Buckinghamshire Council Highways.

A resident mentioned the traffic speed by Brook Cottages, the cottages are adjacent to the road with car parking across the road. A discussion took place about speed limits in Ivinghoe Aston.

Councillor Lott raised that Willow Farm transport report states that the highway outside of Willow Farm and Brook Cottages is concerned to be safe. The Bucks Council Highways Engineer statement is asking for an s106 contribution of funds for £6,000 from the developer towards highways safety at that point of the road. Councillor Bexson stated the Parish Council would like to have traffic calming and the Parish Council needs to build reserves to pay for this and the Chairman encouraged residents to write to the Parish Council or Buckinghamshire Councillors with any suggestions.

C/178/22. To receive Reports from the Buckinghamshire Councillors.

Councillor Brazier raised The Proud of Bucks Awards sponsored by the Clare Foundation. Nominations are welcomed between 9th January – 12th February there are awards for community groups and individuals. The Queens Award to Volunteer Groups will be open for nominations next year. Councillor Lott asked whether the 'Be considerate' campaign has been shared with schools and requested posters; Councillor Brazier will check with the council whether materials are available. Councillor Jellis asked about the Special Area of Concern for the Ashridge beech trees and Councillor Town forwarded further information.

Councillor Poll mentioned the budget and the implications for Buckinghamshire Council, there is uncertainty within Buckinghamshire Council. Usually there is a three-year budget set, this year there will be a one-year budget with years two and three to be reviewed. Councillor Poll suggested the Parish Council continue budget setting.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Brazier for his prompt action with Buckinghamshire Council cleaning the roads of the residue muck from the film company set-up. The Chairman mentioned the council has received complaints from Grove Farm residents about lights and there have also been lights shining towards the chickens effecting egg production. Councillor Brazier asked the Chairman to keep him informed.

C/179/22. Planning Applications:

22/03240/APP | Temporary change of use of land for film-making with associated film unit base and car parking | Vicarage Farm Horton Road Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9DY. No Comment PROPOSED BY Councillor Jellis SECONDED BY Councillor Bamber and carried unanimously.

22/03686/APP | Erection of 6 new dwellings and associated parking and landscaping | Willow Farm Ivinghoe Aston Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9DF
It was agreed to request further information about biodiversity (loss of ancient hedgerow) and drainage. Request for further information needed to be able to make a comment. PROPOSED BY Councillor Bexson and SECONDED BY Councillor Bamber and carried unanimously.

C/180/22. Ivinghoe Old School Village Hub and Ivinghoe Town Hall.

The Chairman of the Hub was not present, this was deferred.

Ivinghoe Town Hall Committee met last week and tomorrow there is a meeting to discuss the lift project.

C/181/22. Footpaths, Bridleways, Trees and Playgrounds.

The bridleway between Ivinghoe and Ivinghoe Aston is obstructed by a low branch and the Chairman asked for the resident to identify the area and report.

Councillor Ketteridge stated that the surfacing in Ivinghoe Aston play area needs to be replaced, the Clerk will obtain quotations and will email the Community Board Manager about part funding.

A planning application has been made to cut back several trees on the allotment site.

C/182/22. Highways, Streets and Transport (including Speedwatch).

Station Road/Maud Janes Close traffic calming – no update.

Freight Strategy – no update.

Councillor Lott read an end of year report about Speedwatch:

Speedwatch – Year End Report 2022

85 sessions completed with 11 volunteers. Our thanks go out to all our volunteers for giving up their time to make Ivinghoe parish a safer place for all.

1200 vehicles reported for speeding, average over the sessions is 25% of passing traffic is reported, with the maximum reported in any one session as much as 50%

Weekend speeding is worse than a weekday, with similar numbers reported but fewer vehicle passing at weekends.

Highest reported speed in a 30 area = 59mph

Highest reported in a 40 area = 62mph

Repeats, i.e. vehicles caught more than once = 24 which equates to 2% of the total reported. TVP target is 2% so therefore it looks as if we are on track, but we are not as our figures for repeats are only for 6 months Therefore our repeat performance for the year equates to 4%.

Number of vehicles reported for being more than 50% over the speed limit = 96

MVAS is showing that we are almost back to pre-pandemic levels of traffic with Station Road/Horton Road volumes, currently running at 3m vehicles per year. At a 25% failure rate as per Speedwatch we potentially have 750,000 vehicles speeding along that road every year.

MVAS is also showing that the highest recorded speeds this year in Ivinghoe Aston is 80mph while Station Road/Horton Road it is 85mph.

Finally, thanks to TVP, particularly PC Lee Turnham for his support in ensuring that some vehicles that are highlighted for particularly bad speeding are dealt with accordingly and backing us up in the process.

C/183/22. Clerk's Report.

The Vice Chairman will read at the Nine Lessons and Carols Service on the 18th December 2022.

C/184/22. Financial Matters.

Accounts were approved for payment:

Payments for approval - 5 December 2022

Payee	Description	Total Paid
Buckinghamshire Council	Double Yellow Lines	£4,361.90
N Power	Credit (no charge)	£77.51
Buckinghamshire Council	Commercial Bin	£10.80
BALC	Training	£70.00
Sparkx	Light 35 repair	£513.00
Costello Graphics	Beacon printing	£460.00
Clerk	Reimburse expenses	£29.55
Wave (Anglian Water)	Allotment Water	£105.77
Litter	October 22	£125.00
Litter	November 22	£125.00
John Lewis	Phone Cable	£19.00
Mrs L Palfrey	Beacon artwork	£500.00
Majestic Trees	Jubilee trees	£4,821.58
Grooms Ground Maintenance	Grass Cutting	£618.00
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Microsoft	Subscription	£79.99
Chairman/EE	Office Mobile - Oct	£44.39
Chairman/EE	Office Mobile - Nov	£44.39

Received	
Allotment Rents	£24.00
Training & Phone Contribution - Mentmore	£36.00
Training & Phone Contribution - Slapton	£36.00

Unity Trust Bank Balance:	£116,037.98
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A discussion took place about finance and the budget and precept will be deferred until the precept information is available from Buckinghamshire Council.

C/185/22. Meeting Dates and Venue:

Next meeting 9th January 2023 at 7.00pm in Ivinghoe Town Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.