

# Icklingham Parish Council

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## **MINUTES of the meeting of Icklingham Parish Council Held on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Community Centre, Icklingham**

Present: Cllr D Baugh (DB) – Vice Chair  
Cllr K Baugh (KB)  
Cllr A Walsh (AW)  
Cllr H Graham (HG)

Also Present: Mrs Su Field – Parish Clerk  
6 members of the public

### PUBLIC FORUM

The Webmaster raised an issue in relation to storage on the website. The site is now not accepting any further documents etc and he requested suggestions as to what people would like to see on the website so that he can cull unnecessary information. It was AGREED that only the last six months of newsletters be kept. Also AGREED that only architectural/historic photos need to be on the site (barn dance type ones should be deleted). An item will be put into the next Newsletter requesting that suggestions to be submitted which will inform a further discussion.

A resident offered, in conjunction with her husband, to produce a map of the village which would include footpaths etc which could then be “weatherproofed” and placed next to the village noticeboard. Suggestions as to what other information could be included to be sent to the Parish Clerk ([icklinghampc@gmail.com](mailto:icklinghampc@gmail.com)) and an item will be placed on the next agenda for further discussion.

A further request for an additional dog bin to be sited at the far end of village. It was AGREED that the Clerk ascertain costs and procedure for installation/emptying with FHDC and report back to the next meeting.

There have been instances of fly tipping/rubbish/deliberate damage to grass at both Temple Bridge/Weir and Farthings Bridge. Residents are encouraged to report these issues individually through the Suffolk County Council “report a problem” portal.

It was acknowledged that the Parish Council were still awaiting an update from Elveden Estates in relation to dust issues. Clerk to endeavour to strike up a dialogue to elicit a response.

Further to previous discussions about the installation of a more robust bus shelter and an alighting platform, the Clerk confirmed that she would endeavour to contact the correct officer at SCC to move the matter forward.

### 030/16 APOLOGIES

Cllr R Burt – in Cllr Burt’s absence, Cllr D Baugh chaired the meeting.  
CCllr Colin Noble

### 031/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

#### 032/16 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2016 were signed by the Vice Chairman as a true record.

#### 033/16 FOLLOW UP ITEMS

The Clerk had made enquiries concerning the lease of the Playing Field and confirmed that according to Land Registry the area was still in the ownership of Elveden Estate and that no 'gift' of the land had taken place. Further attempts to enter into a dialogue with Elveden would continue.

It was noted that West Stow now had VAS (Vehicle Activated Signs) in place and DB agreed to liaise with West Stow Parish Council to ascertain how they had progressed the matter as Icklingham were not progressing far with this issue.

The Clerk updated the meeting concerning the upkeep of the road drainage, especially opposite the Community Centre, where SCC had stated that financial pressures were hindering replacement of the drainage system. All residents were encouraged to report all instances of blocked drains/gullies via the SCC website.

The problems concerning various hedges and verges (causing pedestrians to walk on the highway as opposed to the pavement) are to be reported with a request that SCC keep these trimmed.

#### 034/16 NOTICEBOARDS

Mr Brown has stated that he will refurbish the old noticeboard once it has been gifted to the village provided that the Parish Council finance the Perspex and varnish.

The Clerk informed the meeting that no suitable site could be identified in West Street for the siting of an additional noticeboard and following discussion it was AGREED that the Clerk be instructed to obtain a new quotation from Green Barnes for a large (2 door) board which would be installed in the location of the current board. This would then facilitate the existing board to be donated to the village and Mr Brown will be reimbursed for materials that he purchased to refurbish the old board.

#### 035/16 PLANNING

No applications received.

#### 036/16 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Sent via email.

#### 037/16 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

CCLlr Noble had sent his apologies and the Clerk undertook to distribute his recent Newsletter which had been received via email.

#### 038/16 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Rona Burt had provided the Clerk with a report which is summarised below.

Devolution – The Consultation had now ended (23<sup>rd</sup> August) and results were awaited.

FHDC have completed the purchase of a solar farm in Lakenheath.

An update is awaited concerning RAF Mildenhall and this would be reported to the next meeting.

A decision is also still awaited on Hatchfield Farm.

Meetings attended:

- Delegation Panel x 4

- Planning Site Visits

- Planning Committee

- Overview and Scrutiny Committee

- Staff Consultative Group

- Performance and Audit at West Suffolk House

- Members Development Charter – 18 month appraisal

- Meeting with members of the Independent Remuneration Panel re members allowances

#### 039/16 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following invoices had been submitted to the Parish Council for payment:

D Fisher	Hire of Hall	£25.00
S Field	Wages September 2016	£161.91
S Field	Expenses September 2016	£25.90
LCPAS	Fees for Minuting 2 meetings	£100.00

The following payments had been made out of meetings:

Earthworkz	Work on village sign	£275.00
S Field	Wages August 2016	£161.91
S Field	Expenses August 2016	£10.00

The payments were agreed and cheques signed.

The Clerk presented the Chairman with the bank reconciliation for agreement and signature.

The Clerk confirmed that she was now a signatory to the account and had completed the application for internet banking which was duly signed by the other signatory present (AW). This will now be submitted to Lloyds for activation.

Current bank balances as at 29<sup>th</sup> July 2016 (latest statement available):

Treasurer's Account	£22,928.07
Bus Bank Instant	£6,215.83

040/16 AGENDA ITEMS FOR MEETING TO BE HELD ON 3<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER 2016

Village Map

Risk Assessments

Additional Dog Bin

VAS Update

Elveden Estate – Playing Field

Bus Shelters

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Signed : .....  
Chairman