

# Ivinghoe Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held remotely on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 7.00pm.

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### PRESENT:

Chairman Cllr Karen Groom, Vice Chairman Cllr Claire Bamber, Cllr Sheena Bexson, Cllr Andrew Dicker, Cllr Stephen Lott, Cllr Pat Roach, Buckinghamshire Councillors Anne Wight and Cllr Chris Poll.

Rosalyn Greenwood - Windmill Pre-School Committee Member.

Bridget Knight – Ivinghoe Parish Clerk.

21 members of the public.

### **C/053/20 Chairman's Welcome.**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the first online meeting of Ivinghoe Parish Council.

### **C/054/20 Public Question Time.**

Chair of Ivinghoe Old School Hub Committee:

Questions had been emailed to the council prior to the meeting. The Chairman of Ivinghoe Old School Hub Committee explained how a group of 26 volunteers have been formed to provide support for people effected by Coronavirus in the form of collecting medicines, walking dogs and providing telephone contact.

There is a desire to work with the Parish Council which Ivinghoe Parish Council welcomes and stated that anyone who finds themselves in desperation should contact Ivinghoe Parish Clerk who can arrange assistance. Ivinghoe Parish Council has 3 Councillors and Parish Clerk involved with the foodbank and providing other assistance. Buckinghamshire Council is working hard through the local hubs to provide assistance and is able to help also. Ivinghoe Parish Council Chairman reminded everyone that the parish includes Ivinghoe Aston and help is also being given to Cheddington and Leighton Buzzard from Ivinghoe with little demand from Ivinghoe residents.

A Pitstone resident raised concerns about parish councils promoting voluntary groups whose members may not be Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checked. The Chairman thanked the resident for his comments, and confirms she supports what he said.

A member of the public thanked the Chairman for doing such an excellent job.

A member of the public thanked the WI and Brian Rogers for putting the soldiers and bunting up in Ivinghoe to celebrate the VE Day Anniversary.

### **C/055/20 Attendance and Apologies.**

None.

### **C/056/20 Declaration of interest.**

The Chairman and Cllr Stone declared an interest in planning application 20/01376/APP as they know the applicant personally. Cllr Lott declared an interest as an allotment holder in the allotment item.

### **C/057/20 To receive reports from the new Unitary Bucks Councillors.**

Bucks Cllr Wight spoke about how Buckinghamshire Council is supporting residents through the Coronavirus/Covid groups and that the Aylesbury Hub is covering this area. Cllr Wight has sent contact details to the Parish Clerk. There is also funding available to support voluntary groups, Ivinghoe Parish Council is making an application.

Cllr Wight reminded everyone to please check the Buckinghamshire Council website for the changes in council services. Cllr Wight reported that five Bucks recycling centres including Aston Clinton will be open to Bucks

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residents from tomorrow, there will be queues and social distancing, proof of Bucks residency will be required when you attend.

For the Ivinghoe Division there are five Buckinghamshire Councillors including Cllr Peter Cooper, Cllr Derek Town, Cllr Sandra Jenkins, Cllr Chris Poll and Cllr Anne Wight. On a day to day basis Councillors Wight and Poll are the main contacts for the Ivinghoe Parish Council area.

Bucks Cllr Poll confirmed the five Councillors are working closely together.

**C/058/20 To approve the minutes of the previous meeting.**

It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and APPROVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 were correct and will be signed when possible.

**C/059/20 Coronavirus/Covid-19.**

Ivinghoe Parish Council has applied for a grant from Bucks Council which would be used to costs associated with the Ivinghoe foodbank.

**C/060/20 Ivinghoe Parish Council Donations.**

Ms Greenwood – Windmill Pre-School Committee Member explained about the pre-school and how it supports local families with various projects.

It was agreed to make the following donations:

Windmill Pre-School Windmill Pre-School £200

Ivinghoe and Pitstone Scouts donation of £90 towards Christmas Tree Electricity.

**C/061/20 Planning Applications:**

A Pitstone resident addressed the council about his application for a new dwelling in Ivinghoe. He has worked with an architect to plan a house that they feel is in keeping with the area for himself and his future family.

20/1376/APP – Land Between The Warren and Ivinghoe House, Tring Road, Ivinghoe, Buckinghamshire LU7 9EJ. Erection of dwelling and detached garage.

OBJECTION PROPOSED BY Cllr Dicker and SECONDED BY Cllr Lott and agreed. The Chairman and Cllr Stone did not take part in the discussion or vote.

20/00960/ALB – The Old Brewery House, 3 High Street, Ivinghoe, Buckinghamshire LU7 9EP. Replace sash inserts window with new timber sash inserts of the same style with heritage double glazing.

NO OBJECTION and Ivinghoe Parish Council defers to the Heritage Officer for their recommendation. PROPOSED BY Cllr Lott and SECONDED BY Cllr Dicker and carried unanimously.

**C/062/20 Ivinghoe Town Hall.**

As the Town Hall is closed it is being painted internally.

**C/063/20 Footpaths, Bridleways, Trees and Playgrounds.**

Cllr Stone reported the bridleway is clear.

The Chairman reported the trees are looking lovely, the verges are very overgrown, and the Parish Clerk will report to Bucks Council.

The wildlife hedge and wildflower seeds were planted before lockdown.

Cllr Bexson reported the Ivinghoe Aston playing field grass is looking very good, the roundabout has not been installed yet (delayed due to Coronavirus restrictions).

The Ivinghoe Old School committee thanked Ivinghoe Parish Council for the assistance with the hub flooring replacement/restoration project.

**C/064/20 Highways, Streets and Transport (to include Lighting and Speed Watch).**

LED Streetlight Project – Cllr Lott reported they are all complete except for two lights at Ivinghoe Aston and two in Ivinghoe. One light in Vicarage Lane has other outstanding issues.

Speedwatch – Cllr Lott reported this has been postponed due to Coronavirus restrictions. Cllr Lott is taking advice from Thames Valley Police and following Coronavirus Regulation guidance and this could be re-started very soon in various sites throughout the parish.

A local resident asked about Speedwatch enforcement. The Chairman confirmed this is a Police Matter. Bucks Cllr Wight said Trading Standards operate ANPR and if there is finances available Bucks Council could possibly improve this.

The Vicarage Lane road name sign and two brown signs (directional to Rose and Crown Public House and Golf Course) have been taken from the damaged wall outside of The Old Vicarage, Ivinghoe. The Parish Clerk will report to Bucks Council to ask for these to be replaced in a suitable design for the conservation area.

**C/065/20 Allotments report and Update.**

Ivinghoe Parish Council has received a request for a CCTV camera to be located on an individual allotment plot. The Vice Chairman suggested that the allotment holders are asked for their views on CCTV cameras before the council takes a decision.

A member of the community submitted a question online to ask whether the allotments can be re-opened to the public. It was agreed to wait for further guidance from the government as social distancing continues and the allotment paths are very narrow.

**C/066/20 Ivinghoe Rag Pits.**

Cllr Dicker will take a photograph of Buddleia bush obstructing the Rag Pit Track.

**C/067/20 Website.**

The website is being updated with Coronavirus guidelines and information and other news.

**C/068/20 Clerk’s Report.**

The report was circulated prior to the meeting and there were no questions.

**C/069/20 Financial Matters, Payment of Accounts & Balances.**

The following accounts were authorised for payment during the meeting:

Payee	Description	Total Paid
1st Ivinghoe and Pitstone Scouts	Donation for electricity	£90.00
Alex Kempster	Defibrillator Install (late invoice)	£304.80
Almar Tring	Office Supplies	£38.47
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Anglian Water Business	Allotment Water	£12.20
Anglo Dutch	Payroll Services	£36.00
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B Rogers	Reimburse Town Hall Cabinet	£26.99
BALC	Subscription	£172.82
Boston Seeds	Wildflower Seeds	£235.99
Bucks Pension Scheme	Pension Contributions	£287.20
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Came & Company	Insurance Premium	£1,220.38
Chairman	Office Mobile	£41.17
Chairman	Office Mobile	£40.98
Chairman	Office Mobile	£41.15
Cheddington PC	MVAS Contribution	£106.00
Churches Fire	Town Hall Inspection	£159.00
Clerk	Reimburse Expenses	£47.71

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Clerk30:37	Expenses	£45.82
Cobibear Contracting	Ivinghoe Lawn work	£2,988.00
Eon	Streetlights	£180.38
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Eon	Streetlights	£168.75
FAB Shop	Post for SID	£225.00
Groom Grounds Maintenance	Ivinghoe & Ivinghoe Aston Grass	£345.00
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H Knight	Litter Collection	£100.00
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HM Land Registry	Registration Fee	£40.00
HMRC Cumbernauld	PAYE	£36.24
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Ivinghoe Old School	Lawn Hire Refund	£30.00
JL Flooring	Ivinghoe Hub Flooring	£9,760.00
P Snowdon	Reimburse Allotment Tap	£8.28
Sparkx Lighting	LED Streetlights	£6,468.10

Balances at 04.05.20	
Community Account	£35,417.21
Main Account	£53,220.71
Beacon Account	£1,102.26
Petty Cash	0
	<i>£89,740.18</i>

Income:	-
Source	
Precept	£25,000.00
VAT Refund	£13,083.34

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

**C/070/20 Date of 2020 Parish Council Meetings:**

2<sup>nd</sup> June, 7<sup>th</sup> July, 4<sup>th</sup> August, 1<sup>st</sup> September, 6<sup>th</sup> October, 3<sup>rd</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December venue/online meeting to be confirmed.

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