

**Minutes of the Ilchester Parish Council meeting held on Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup> 2019  
at the Town Hall, Ilchester at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Mrs. H. Panter, Chairman, Mr. S. Marsh, Miss J. Stapleton, Mr. H. Williams, Miss. G. Light, Mr. L. Midwinter, Mr. N. Bloomfield, County Councillor, Mr. C. Hull, District Councillor, Mr. A. Capozzoli, District Councillor, (part) PCSO John Winfield & PCSO J Sparks & Mr. P. Horsington, Clerk.  
Six members of the public attended.

### **1. Election of Chairman**

On the proposition of Mr. Marsh, seconded by Miss Light, Mrs. Panter was unanimously elected Chairman for the year 2019/20.

As there were only six nominations received for the new Parish Council of nine members, this meant there are three vacancies to be filled by co-option. As there were no nominations put forward, it was emphasised that there needs to be at least three nominations put forward at the June meeting, otherwise SSDC will consider to hold a Poll, this being at the expense to the Parish Council.

All members signed their Declarations of Acceptance of Office and received the Register of Interest forms. These to be completed by members and returned to SSDC within 28 days.

### **2. Election of Officers**

The following Officers were unanimously agreed -

Vice – Chairman	Mr. Marsh
Finance	Mrs. Panter
Highways	Mr. Marsh
Rights of Way	All members
Allotments	Mr. H. Williams
Cemetery	Mr. Midwinter
Mead & Skate park	Miss Light
Website	Miss Light & Mr. Midwinter
Youth Parish Councils	Miss Stapleton
Trees	All members
Internal auditor	Mrs. P. Morley

On the proposition of Miss Light, seconded by Mr. Williams, the above Officers were unanimously agreed.

### **3. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Mr. P. Rowsell, District Councillor, Mr. R. Graydon, CRO, RNAS, PC. Stefan Edwards & PCSO Thelma Mead.

### **4. The Minutes** of the previous meeting, having been circulated, were signed as correct.

The Council noted that the three elected members for the new SSDC Northstone, Ivelchester and St. Michael's Ward are Mr. A. Capozzoli, Mr. C. Hull & Mr. P. Rowsell.

### **5. Declarations of Interest**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

### **6. Open Session – with RNAS, County & District Councillors' reports.**

Mrs. Panter welcomed Mr. Hull, District Councillor, who introduced himself to the meeting.

Mr. Bloomfield, County Councillor, reported that there was no spare money at County Hall, and the County Council was reviewing the provision of salt for gritting roads.

Mr. B. Masters stated that Mr. Goddard had informed him that the Grit bin at the Mead had still not been filled. Mr. Bloomfield contacted County Highways during the meeting.

Mrs. Cross stated that the Limington Road car park is always full with some vehicles remaining there for several days, meaning that there is nowhere for visitors to park. This also applies to the car park at the Market Place. It was noted that the Limington Road car park is owned and administered by SSDC.

Mrs. Cross suggested that the principle of creating a long stay car park area at the Sports field ought be considered. Discussion took place, with it being highlighted that the Sports field is owned by the Ilchester Town Trust and there needs to be consultation with Berry's Coaches, as it would affect their pick up point in Ilchester.

It was agreed to put this on the agenda of the next meeting.

In the absence of Mr. Graydon, CRO, there were no RNAS issues raised.

## 7. Police & Community issues - Ilchester Town Trust, IDCA, IRINEC & Church Matters

Mrs. Panter welcomed PCSO John Winfield & PCSO J Sparks to the meeting.

In view of an issue with new Lighting installed by County Highways through Northover, Mrs. Panter asked for the view of the Police with the principle of having the lighting turned off after midnight. This created some discussion and it was agreed that PCSO Winfield would take advice and report back.

Mrs. Panter raised the perennial issue of parking issues in Ilchester and was informed that this is not now a Police priority, however parking on Footpaths is an offence.

Mr. H. Williams stated that he had nothing to report on behalf of the Town Trust. On the proposition of Mr. H. Williams, seconded by Mrs. Panter, the Council re-nominated Mr. G. Mottram to serve as a Trustee on the Town for a further four years from the date of his term ending in July.

Miss Stapleton reported on behalf of IDCA, stating that there is to be a Quiz on May 11<sup>th</sup> and the Street Fair is being held on July 6<sup>th</sup>.

There were no issues reported from IRINEC.

In the absence of Rev. Faulkner, there were no other Church matters discussed.

The Council noted that the Churchyard area at St. Andrew's, Northover is being mown.

## 8. Youth Parish Councils

Miss Stapleton reported that the Youth Parish Councils are to hold a 'Silent Disco' on May 28<sup>th</sup> and are to run a Tombola on July 6<sup>th</sup> for fund raising.

Miss Stapleton reported that some members who Skateboard have indicated that part of a ramp is sinking. This was noted. Also advice is to be taken from SSDC on having a 'Pump Track' around the Skate park.

## 9. Planning matters

Mr. Capozzoli, District Councillor, arrived at this point and the Council were updated by Mr. Marsh on the meeting with the agents, arranged by Mr. Capozzoli, District Councillor to discuss access to the site during construction, for application 18/03658/REM for Land north of Troubridge Park, Ilchester following approval 15/000247/OUT for the erection of 150 dwellings etc. The meeting looked at the possibility of an access from the B.3151 opposite the Norseland Cheese Factory, but after consideration by the Agents attending, as there would have to be provision of a third traffic lane to allow for traffic to safely access the site, this was discounted. Mr. Capozzoli felt strongly that during construction, there should be no access through the existing Estate. It was agreed that there will be a Traffic management plan submitted, to be agreed by County Highways, which will come back to the Parish Council.

Discussion took place on the need for affordable properties as part of the development with Mr. Marsh stating he hoped that there would priority for Ilchester residents. Potential CIL contribution was discussed.

The Council noted that application 18/03508/HOU for Mrs. A. Ellingham at 19, Ivel Gardens for the erection of a timber fence on north west boundary of the rear of the garden (retrospective) had been granted.

The Council noted application 18/02888/FUL amended plans at Capozzoli's 18, Church Street for exterior alterations to widen doorway/shopfront had been granted.

The Council noted application 19/00357/HOU for Mr. Thomas Doyle at 4, Limington Road for the erection of a two storey extension, a single storey rear extension and new entrance porch and the formation of a new vehicular access to highway had been granted.

It was noted that application 19/00927/HOU for Mr. & Mrs. Williams at 2, Manor Gardens for the removal of existing garage building and the construction of a new single storey side extension, had been withdrawn.

The Council considered & supported applications 18/00796/LBC & 18/00690/HOU for Mr. J. Fowler at the Old Vicarage for detached workshop/carport

## 10. Financial matters

The account balances were reported as at 30/04/19 C/A/c £100 & B/R A/c £60,754.85p

**Receipts** - £170 St. Mary PCC, £8.77p Bank interest & £25,000 SSDC precept

### Payments made -

09/05/19	2401	£1,367.34p	Came & Co - insurances
09/05/19	2402	£384	Vision ICT Ltd - website hosting
09/05/19	2403	£66	Vision ICT Ltd - domain renewal
09/05/19	2404	£20	Sophie Pack- Stone - skate park area
09/05/19	2405	£170	Julian Guy - Northover churchyard
09/05/19	2406	£198	Cumbria Clock Co - Church clock
09/05/19	2407	£568.85p	PTH salary & expenses
09/05/19	2408	£60	A. Piper cleaning bus shelters

The above cheques were approved and signed.

On the proposition of Miss Stapleton, seconded by Mr. Williams, the Council formally adopted the Annual accounts to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2019.

Miss Stapleton raised the issue of the payment to Miss S. Pack – Stone for clearing the Skate park area, stating the amount paid had not been reviewed for sometime. After discussion, the Council agreed to pay £25 per month from next month, from the £20 per month being paid at present.

The Council considered the Play area annual inspection issue and agreed to accept the quotation of £55 per site plus VAT from Play Inspections Co. Ltd, Poole, Dorset. ROSPA quoted £68. 50p plus VAT.

The Council noted that Mr. Capozzoli is to discuss the issue of 'Modern Slavery' with Mr. Hull, who stated that this is a County Council issue.

#### **11. Website**

The Council agreed that Mr. Midwinter & Miss Light would look at the Website with Mr. C. Williams to update it, making it more user friendly & easier to upload.

#### **12. Cemetery**

It was noted that Mr. Midwinter will contact Mr. C. Williams and discuss the issues at the Cemetery.

#### **13. Highway matters**

The Council noted that the kerbs at end of Almshouse Lane are still to be painted with reflective paint, with the Lighting request left in abeyance.

The Mead Grit bin issue was noted.

The new Lighting put in by SCC at Northover was noted & it was agreed that in view of the issues raised earlier, the Council will wait until the Police advice is received. It was noted that SCC have no obligation to inform Parishes of any improvements to Street lighting.

#### **14. Flooding issues**

There were no issues reported.

#### **15. Allotments**

Mr. H. Williams reported that there will be a meeting with Tenants on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

An issue reference Bees has been resolved & the extra fencing has been done.

It was noted that the purchase of the allotment area for £17K with each party paying its legal fees, is progressing slowly.

#### **16. Mead Play area.**

Mrs. Panter reported that the SSDC inspection reports indicated that there are no high risk issues.

#### **17. Skate Park**

Mrs. Panter reported that the SSDC inspection reports indicated that there are no high risk issues and the Ramps are to be painted. Mrs. Panter stated that she will look at the 'sinking' issue raised earlier.

#### **18. Rights of Way**

There were no issues raised.

#### **19. Tree Matters**

There were no issues raised.

#### **20. Correspondence**

The Council noted the Somerset Waste Partnership newsletter & Clerks Direct.

#### **21. Items for Report, or for the agenda of the next meeting**

Mrs. Panter reminded members of the need to contact potential residents to fill the three vacancies, to be nominated at the next meeting.

The date of the next meeting was confirmed for Thursday June 13<sup>th</sup> 2019, at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked all present for attending, and declared the meeting closed at 10.03 pm.

Signed:

Date:

