

Ivinghoe Parish Council

Minutes of the Ivinghoe Parish Council Meeting held at Ivinghoe Town Hall on Monday 5th February 2024 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT:

Ivinghoe Parish Councillors: Karen Groom (Chairman), Claire Bamber (Vice Chairman), Paul Jellis, Clive Ketteridge, Stephen Lott and Helen Nash. Buckinghamshire Councillors Derek Town and Peter Brazier. Buckinghamshire Council Community Board Manager Michelle Parker. Ivinghoe Parish Clerk Bridget Knight.

Three members of the public.

C/017/24. Chairman's Welcome.

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone and thanked Michelle Parker the Buckinghamshire Wing and Ivinghoe Community Board Manager for attending. Michelle Parker is covering this area and remains responsible for the Wendover and Villages Community Board.

C/018/24. Public and Members of the Press Question Time.

A member of the public mentioned traffic cones are placed by builders in the layby near the Kings Head, the Chairman explained they do not own the layby and the cones are not authorised. A resident raised concerns over the size of the banner on the Kings Head.

C/019/24. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Bexson.

C/020/24. Declarations of Interest or Dispensations from Councillors Relating to this Meeting.

Councillor Jellis declared an interest in planning application 24/00197/APP and did not take place in the discussion or decision. Councillor Lott declared an interest in the allotments as an allotment tenant.

C/021/24. To approve the minutes held on 8th January 2024.

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

C/022/24. To receive reports from Buckinghamshire Councillors.

Councillor Town had submitted a report prior to the meeting and the Chairman thanked him. Councillor Brazier explained that repair work will take place in April. A member of the public had complained that patch work is insufficient, Councillor Brazier will check what is planned. Councillor Lott questioned the various dates for work in Ivinghoe.

C/023/24 Financial Matters.

Trevor Beeches was appointed Internal Auditor for 2023/24.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Payee	Description	Total Paid
Buckinghamshire Council	Commercial Bin	£20.45
Chairman/EE	Office Mobile	£61.47
Amazon	Office Supplies	£4.25
Anglo Dutch	Payroll Services	£36.00
B Knight	Clerk Expenses	£37.80
D Knight	Litter Collection	£125.00
Hugo Fox	Website	£23.99
L Palfrey	Beacon Artwork	£500.00
Lloyds Bank	Bank Fee	£3.00
Npower	Streetlight Elec - Dec	£137.80
Npower	Streetlight Elec - Jan	£148.29
RML Services	Lawn Trees	£2,950.00

Received		
L White	Lawn Hire	40.00
H Matthews	Allotment Rent	14.70
C Bamber	Lawn Hire	40.00

Bank Balance 01.02.24	£104,425.22
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C/025/24. Ivinghoe (Ben Hamilton Bailee) Traffic Calming Scheme – Station Road and Maud Jane Close Junction.

The Chairman stated she is disappointed and explained the latest design was not requested and not fit for purpose, and it would not reduce speeds in Station Road. The Chairman explained the traffic calming scheme confirmed in October was set to be installed, however, Buckinghamshire Council kept delaying the work. Later Buckinghamshire Council stated the scheme could not be implemented as they could not afford the project. The Chairman explained Ivinghoe Parish Council accepts the cost for Brookmead School scheme, however, the cost for new design that has been rejected should not be paid for by the parish as it was not requested. Councillor Brazier and Michelle Parker will investigate the costings.

C/026/24. Ivinghoe Lawn.

A local resident has complained about car parking opposite the Kings Head. The member of public was invited to attend the meeting but did not reply. The Chairman explained the parking opposite the Kings Head was funded by Buckinghamshire Council and Ivinghoe Parish Council, the resident has challenged the Parish Council and in response the Chairman, Councillor Bexson and the Parish Clerk have met with him and shared all the historic files with him.

The Chairman read a statement:

- The land on either inside or outside the estate fencing is not common land.
- Inside belongs to the Parish Council having been gifted to the Parish Council by the Earl of Brownlow.
- Before the resurfacing members of the public chose to park at their own risk. This happened before the resurfacing.

- Car parking is an issue in the village and was highlighted in the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan. People will park wherever they can.
- The documents shown to the resident are the only copies we have and are old and sadly not clear for anyone to read.
- Ivinghoe Parish Council does not have any more documents.
- As suggested the minute book held at Buckinghamshire archives hold the minutes of historic Parish Council meetings and may reveal when the land was acquired for highway enhancements.
- The 1920 lease was given to the Parish by a local landowner as an assistance in this matter, it is old, and the eligibility is as it is the document being the age it is, we do not hold the original.
- Parish Councillors are volunteers and the majority have only held their positions for under ten years apart from one who has been involved for 30 years. These volunteers do not have time to research the questions asked and the matter should be taken up with Buckinghamshire Council where paid Officers can investigate this matter as the land, we believe was acquired for highway works at some time in the past.
- Buckinghamshire Council legal department should hold papers regarding the acquisition for highway works.
- If the resident is concerned about lawfulness, he should research the matter and bring his findings to the Parish Council and Buckinghamshire Council for consideration.
- The only access for parking on the Lawn is authorised by the Parish Council.

Councillor Lott stated that the previous LAT was to provide plainings for the area, before he moved areas.

The Chairman explained the council would like to extend the parking area in Station Road and reinstate the village well.

C/027/24. Highways, Streets and Transport (including Speedwatch).

Councillor Lott explained Speedwatch has resumed and there is a new volunteer for Speedwatch. A Green Lane resident explained concerns that the road sign is too low an ambulance could not see the road sign. Councillor Town explained that the Local Area Technicians can now look at signs and their positioning and the Local Area Technician will investigate moving the sign. ANPR cameras – Councillor Lott explained there are no developments.

C/028/24. Planning Applications:

24/00197/APP | Demolition of existing stables and equestrian storage, and erection of stable block, equestrian storage building, manure storage area and rainwater harvesting tank | Land Off Great Gap Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire
 No Comment PROPOSED BY Councillor Bamber and SECONDED BY Councillor Lott and carried unanimously. Councillor Jellis did not take part in the conversation or decision.

Planning Appeals:

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPEAL UNDER SECTION 78

Site Address: Land At 1-3 High Street Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9EP

Proposal: Erection of dwelling. Application Ref: 23/00138/APP Appeal Ref: 23/00084/REF.

Planning Inspectorate Ref: APP/J0405/W/23/3329511.

It was agreed to submit the original objections PROPOSED BY Councillor Bamber and SECONDED BY Councillor Jellis and carried unanimously.

Town and Country Planning (Tree Preservation) (England) Regulations 2012, SI No. 605. TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPEAL UNDER SECTION 78

Site Address: The Old Brewery House 3 High Street Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9EP.
Proposal: Tree 19 & 20: Sycamore – remove Tree 24: Norway maple – remove.

Application(s) pending by Buckinghamshire Council:

23/03991/ALB | Listed building application for single storey side extension | Well Cottage Ivinghoe Aston Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9DP

23/03990/APP | Householder application for single storey side extension | Well Cottage Ivinghoe Aston Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9DP

19/03718/AOP | Outline planning application for demolition of riding centre and the erection of up to seven dwellings. All matters reserved apart from access. | Rock Lane Riding Centre Orchard Farm Ivinghoe Aston Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9DL

23/03333/APP | Removal of film sets and associated ancillary bases/ pads and reinstatement of the land to be completed by April 2024 | Vicarage Farm Horton Road Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9DY

23/02747/AOP | Outline application for the erection of a permanent agricultural workers dwelling including means of access | Long Meadow Farm Horton Road Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire

19/03701/APP Beacon House Orchard Farm Ivinghoe Aston Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9DL.

19/03718/AOP Rock Lane Riding Centre Orchard Farm Ivinghoe Aston Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9DL.

23/01594/AOP Marsworth Airfield South Site Long Marston Road Marsworth Buckinghamshire

23/00918/ALB Hideaway Cottage Ivinghoe Aston Ivinghoe Buckinghamshire LU7 9DF

Buckinghamshire Council Planning Enforcement:

Site: Land at Site Of Former Ewe Barn Grove Farm Ivinghoe Aston Ivinghoe

Breach of planning control: Unauthorised change of use to builder's yard and storage facility, and the construction of a building

This Notice takes effect on 1st December 2023; unless an appeal is made against it prior to that date. The notice was formally issued on 27th October 2023.

C/029/24. Footpaths, Bridleways, Trees and Playgrounds.

A Horton resident requested the stile on footpath IVI/7/1 opposite the cottages in Horton is changed to a kissing gate. The Parish Clerk will reply to Slapton Councillor who forwarded the request to state that some kissing gates are dangerous for livestock and suggests the concerned resident contact the land owner.

Part of the tree work on Ivinghoe Lawn has been undertaken and the remaining work will be completed in March, when specialist equipment is available.

C/030/24. Allotments.

An existing allotment holder has requested a smaller plot and this will be permitted. Another allotment holder has not secured his pond properly and Councillor Jellis explained concerns over the risk of the open water. The Chairman will speak to the allotment holder over concerns about

his pond. There is an allotment plot with bushes encroaching onto the pathway and the Parish Clerk will write to the allotment holder.

C/031/24. Town Hall.

There is a Town Hall Meeting to be held in the Library at the end of the month. The Chairman explained the committee has been working towards getting a lift for the Town Hall. The Town Hall Committee was led to believe the film company was going to fund the lift project with funding obtained through their suppliers. The film company has left the area and the project manager has arranged for a specialist architect drawings to be drawn up. The project manager has passed the invoices to the Parish Council for payment, which was unexpected. The Chairman is speaking to the landowner about this.

C/032/24. Website/IT.

No issues.

C/033/24. Clerk's Report.

None.

C/0034/24. Meeting Dates and Venue:

4th March, 8th April, 13th May, 3rd June, 1st July, 5th August, 2nd September, 7th October, 4th November and 2nd December.

The meeting closed at 8.02pm.