

## **Minutes for the Parish Council meeting Thursday 18th February 2016 at 6pm**

### **Venue : Hardy's Barn Iken Hall**

1. **Present-** Colin Chamberlain(CC) -Vice Chairman, Hugh Waterer (HW), Alistair Winter (AW) and Mel Waterer (Clerk) apologies from John Hailes(JH), Richard Mann(RM), Norman Johnson (NJ) and Loulou Cooke (LC).

8 members of the public attended

### **2 .First Public Forum**

Clare Howe addressed the floor with her vision for the Iken Hall sight, wanting to regularise previous historical breaches of law, and wanting to assure residents that their intention was to be open about their plans. They have already upgraded the fire safety and gas aspects of the sight, improved the fencing and intend to keep the livery running as a going concern.

Questions were asked by various members of the public and the planning intentions were discussed until 6.30pm

3.CC signed the minutes as a true copy proposed by HW, seconded by AW

4. Declaration of Interests - nothing declared

### **Matters Arising**

5. **Defibrillator-** CC remarked that there were not many people who attended the training session that was organised by NJ and suggested that possibly another date should be organised.

6 .**Standing orders(SO) of Iken Parish Council.**- CC was going to produce a final copy but there were sections that the SCDC did not approve of so we await the final draft.

7 .**Charity Commision** -CC was going to take the paperwork from the village hall to the Ipswich Records Office and look into the trustees of the Charity Commision - will do it in the summer

8. **Paperwork** - ready for CC to collect, will do it in the summer

6. Crossroads accident hotspot - CC said the council had assured him that there were to be slow signs and crossroad signs as well as trying to press for the cut back of trees in that area. HW commented on the rumble strip that is in place on the Snape side of the Tunstall end T junction

7. Threat to close the 3 village post boxes- it was discussed as use them or lose them

8. Emergency plan update - CC was going to update the plan at the cost of £50

9. Suffolk County Councils Consultation on specialist educational services - CC said they were not required specifically in Iken

10. Police Community Support Officers deployment consultation - was noted

11. Enabling development Suffolk Energy Gateway was noted
12. Fire and Rescue Service Integrated Risk Management Plan - was noted that the fire and rescue service could be part of another service due to cut backs
13. Village Website - it was confirmed that the website is an Iken Community website with a Parish Council Section on it. CC suggested that it should possibly have the Iken Church on it. It continues to be kindly updated by Dominic Kilburn
14. Change of meeting dates - CC wanted to change the meeting date for February to January as there were so few councillors attending and also the May meeting due to the fact one councillor could not make that date. HW suggested there would always be dates that were going to be unsuitable for somebody and it would be better to stick to the format. CC wanted it to go on the next agenda.
15. River Wall Update - CC said that Paul Cooke was concerned that the AOEP was not going to address the situation in time and that more would have to be done by the Iken residents themselves
16. Bonfire to celebrate the Queen's birthday 11th June, possibly at village hall was discussed but the insurance policy would have to be looked at. The Clerk gave the original copy to CC to check it over and CC was going to look into the fire service requirements of a bonfire.
17. PC response protocol - HW wanted it noted that the responses to planning applications was a job of the clerk and wanted to clarify that in order to write a letter on behalf of the Iken PC that it would have to have the council's approval. CC said that as long as he is acting Chairman and Chairman he would take on the planning response role and reply. HW was not in agreement.
18. **Recent Planning Applications** - The Iken Barns Complex and Church Farm. CC was going to personally write to Tony Pick regarding the concerns of the Councillors.
19. **Second Public Forum**  
Lynette Morton said the defibrillator session was well worth attending and a few more questions were answered by Mr and Mrs Howe regarding their plans. CC said he was going to reply to the SCDC with the comments noted from councillors.

20. Any Other Business

The meeting closed at 7.05pm