

Ibstone Parish Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 7th September 2011 at
the cricket Club at 7.30pm.

Present:

Mrs. I. Randall	Chairman
Mr. R. Scott	Vice-Chairman
Mrs. M. Grimsdale	Councillor
Mrs M. Smith	Councillor
Mr. J. Malkinson	Councillor

Mrs. D Hansen Parish Clerk

2 members of the public were present

11.32 No apologies for absence were received.

11.33 No declarations of interest in any agenda items were made.

11.34 The minutes of the Ordinary meeting of 4th July 2011 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman

11.35 Matters arising not on the agenda:

- a. The clerk has not written to the home owners of the hedges overhanging the road, a photograph was produced for the clerk to use. Clerk to write to home owners.

11.36 Road Safety improvements: The clerk has chased BCC for a date of commencement of work, but so far no reply. Clerk to keep chasing.

11.37 Bollards on the Common: the PC had made no comment on the position of the bollards and is currently reviewing the situation. It was noted that some residents had raised verbal dissatisfaction with the bollards.

11.38 The state of the village ponds: A resident has raised concern about the state of the 3 ponds on Wormsley land opposite the Fox. They are full of wood, invasive vegetation and alga. It was decided to write to the Wormsley Estate raising the PC's concerns and requesting permission to obtain an appraisal of the situation with the ponds. The Chiltern Society to be approached for an appraisal of the pond situation. Action clerk. Mrs Woodward offered to assist the Parish council.

11.39 Phone box renovations: Nick Mival is hoping to start the project by the end of the month.

11.40 Neighbourhood watch: nothing new to report.

11.41 A resident has raised complaints re the footpath that runs between Glebe House and Namas. 1) After approx. 50 yards the support for the tread on the stile is broken and 2) the first 20 yards of the footpath are overgrown. The home owners to be approached for permission for a volunteer to clear the path. The Clerk has contacted Rights of Way at BCC, who will approach the land owner and have the broken stile repaired.

11.42 National Planning Policy Framework consultation. The clerk gave a brief resume and it was decided that the PC would not comment.

11.43 Planning:

- a. Planning application 11/06689/FUL Cholsey Farm, Construction of all-weather riding arena. The PC had no objections to this application, but there were concerns that if the volume of traffic were to increase that all traffic should use the existing authorised access to Cholsey Farm
- b. Licence application for the Fox Country Hotel. Extension of premises licence to 3.00am. The clerk was asked to enquire if the licence application had been advertised at the premises and in the press. The PC sympathises with local business and their needs, but a premises licence until 3am was considered unreasonable in a rural area. Clerk to write to WDC.

11.44 The Electoral review of Buckinghamshire was noted.

11.45 Financial matters:

- a) Annual returned signed off by External auditors, Mazars. Their only comment had been that the purchase of the grit bin should have been recorder in the assets. Action clerk.
- b) 24p bank interest received,
- c) Bank balances: current account £ 7093.98 Savings account £ 6126.21
- d) The cheques as listed below were approved for payment and signed:

To whom	Description	£	£
DP Green	Strimming of "school" footpath		45.00
Mazars	External audit		144.00
Mike Henson presentations Ltd	Planning		18.00
Mrs. D. Hansen	Clerk salary – August/ Sept.	£ 225.21 £ 225.21	
Mrs. D Hansen	Clerks exp. July/Aug	£ 50.17	
Total value			£ 707.59

11.46 Any other business:

- a. The general question was asked if members had noticed an increase in aircraft traffic.
- b. It was requested that the PC write a letter of condolence to Dr Keable-Elliott on the death of his wife. The chairman will write a letter on behalf of the PC.
- c. There had been a request from residents for more play equipment on the Common. Clerk to bring brochures and costing to the next meeting.
- d. Village SOS competition: a big lottery fund and a BBC initiative aimed at community businesses that will revive villages, awards available between £10,000-£30,000. The chairman had compiled a poster. The clerk to place on notice board.
- e. The chairman had received a request from WDC if the PC would add a link "My Wycombe" to the PC web-site. It was felt more detailed information was required before it could be considered. There would be a cost implication.
- f. The Chiltern Conservation Board are requesting funding from Town and Parish councils in view of a 30% cut in their funding. The matter was discussed and there was no objection. Clerk to place item on the next agenda.

11.47 Date of the next meeting Monday 7th November at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed 8.35pm

The Chairman.....

Date.....