**Minutes** **of the Meeting of the Parish Council – 10/16-17**

**Tuesday 21st March 2017**

**Islip Pavilion, Toll Bar Road**

**Present:-** Cllrs R Lymn (Chair)Garlick & , L Duval, E Taylor, P Fryatt, R Maxwell, R Horrell, S Harris, T Davison

J Tufnail (Clerk) & Cllr W Brackenbury (NCC & ENC)

129 There was no public participation.

130 Apologies had been received and were accepted by the Council from Cllr C Mayes & V Carter (ENC)(holiday)

131 There 2 declarations of interest on Planning from Cllr Horrell 17/00419**/**TPO & Cllr Maxwell 17/00546/TPO

132 The Minutes of the meeting held on 21st February 2017 were **approved** and duly signed by the Chair.

133 **Planning Applications**

17/00419**/**TPO Dodson & Horrell Islip Furnace Site – following discussion, no objection

17/00573/TCA – Silver Birch felling 3 High Street – Following discussion it was agreed that the Council should object to this application as they felt that this felling was unnecessary. It was noted that a silver birch does not give excessive shading, the tree is not on the Rose and Crown's property, and gave a baffle to No 3 from the noise of the pub next door.

17/00546/TPO – Evergreen Holme Oak - – Following discussion it was agreed that the Council should object to this application as they felt given that an application on this tree was rejected recently, to reduce the tree by 20% would be excessive.  A rare tree which should be afforded the protection of the TPO it has been given.

134 **Finance -** The Payment List (attached) & Bank Reconciliation were **proposed**, considered and **agreed**. The cheques duly signed in accordance with the Financial Regulations.

135 **Highways**

1. Cllr Fryatt updated the Council regarding the Highways stating that the community enhancement request had been sent off and Cllr Harris observed that the plate was missing from one of the columns in Drayton Close. He agreed to obtain a quotation for a new lighting column.

136 **Recreation Ground**

1. The weekly inspection reports were received and duly filed. It was noted that the zip wire sleeve had been reported to Sovereign for repair. Cllr Taylor to contact Sovereign as it was felt that this should be part of the warranty. It was agreed that the goal posts should utilise the old nets from the Sports Field.

2. The Clerk reported that following her Playground Management Course last week, she would be updating the Rec Check list and would arrange a workshop for all Councillors on the Rec once the evenings were lighter.

137 **Sports Field**

1. Cllr Maxwell reported that all was going well on the Sports Field and that the Scouts had just had a camp on the far side of the field for the week-end. He reported that Blacktrak Mowers had bought the old mowers for £211.20. He was given permission to sell the old portable floodlights which were no longer used.

2. The Retention Payment to Colson & Loaring was discussed at length and following a vote, from which the Chairman abstained, but which otherwise was unanimous, it was **proposed and duly agreed** that a list of outstanding defects should be sent to Colson & Loaring giving them 14 days to complete the remedial works to the satisfaction of the Council.  It was noted that if the works had not been completed by 30th March 2017 (the inspection date), the Council would obtain quotations for the above work to be carried out and the cost of the remedial work will be deducted from the retention payment with any balance being paid to Colson & Loaring in  
full and final settlement of the project. The Clerk was requested to communicate the Council’s agreed  
position.

138 **Village Hall** – Cllr Harris reported that new external lighting had been installed at the Village Hall. An email had been received from Western Power Distribution requesting a figure for the car park reinstatement. Cllr Harris to consider and respond.

139 **Telephone Box & Village Defibrillator** Cllr Lymn advised that he had put a piece in the Newsletter requesting help for the refurbishment which the Council would fund. The Clerk reported that the Council had been granted the Councillors Empowerment Fund requested in the sum of £1,220 and she was authorised to complete the forms and return them to ENC. Following discussion, it was **proposed & agreed** that the Council should purchase the Lifepak CR Plus at £650 and the locking box at £335, leaving £215 for the fitting.

140 The General Risk Assessment was considered and agreed. It was noted that all users of the Pavilion complete

a User Agreement form.

141 The date for the 1st Community Speed Watch was discussed.

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142 The Clerk reported on the Code of Conduct Training she had attended last week and reminded Councillors of

the salient points. All Councillors were advised to check and update if necessary, their Disclosable Interests

via the ENC website. Clerk advised that the Women’s Cycle Tour would be going through Islip.

143 Cllr Horrell advised the Council that the Medbury Trust had put the rental of its properties in the hands of an

Estate Agent at a decent rent and interviews were taking place. It was **proposed & agreed** that the company

that supplied the turf at the Sports Field should be given an advertising board.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 9.10pm.

………………………. Chair, 18th April 2017