

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF
IRON ACTON PARISH COUNCIL
MONDAY 16th March 2015**

The meeting of Iron Acton Parish Council was held in Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

Present:- Councillor Bellis (Chairman), Councillor Heal, Councillor Blanchard, Councillor Tillotson, Councillor Taylor, Councillor Lomas, Councillor Gawler, Councillor Huish & Donna Beal (Clerk).

PUBLIC PARTICAPATION INCLUDING REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS

5 members of the public were present

A member of the newly formed local poyntz gave a verbal speech which related to start up costs to enable the new local poyntz to establish and become viable for the good of the parish.

Tony Pullin spoke of the plans for an extension lobby at the parish hall and advised of the grants and funding that had already been agreed.

01-03-15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Sheppard & South Gloucestershire representative's Pat & Dave Hockey.

02-03-15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - Pecuniary/ and or Non Pecuniary

Councillor Heal - Non Pecuniary - Agenda item 13.

Councillor Heal advised that a previous contract that had been offered to him for the work to be carried out within the parish meadow off which a pecuniary interest should have been declared was now being withdrawn and that he would not be accepting the contract.

03-03-15 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous parish council meeting held on 9th February 2015 - had been clerk previously circulated, it was proposed that these minutes be adopted and signed as a true chair record with a amendment to the south gloucestershire representative report as advised by councillor Blanchard. **All Agreed**

04-03-15 SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

Councillor Gawler gave a verbal report in relation to the green spaces. It was also advised that planning enforcement would be contacted in relation to work being carried out at a site in North Road off which full planning had not been approved.

05-03-15 PARISH MEADOWS

Following the receipt of tenders and the agreement of all councillors for the work to instate a new cycle track and a slide within the parish meadows it was agreed that the tender would be awarded to R. J Ford. The clerk will now contact south gloucestershire council and advise of the contractor and action the grant.

06-03-15 UPDATE ON PREVIOUS ACTIONS / RESOLVE ANY ACTIONS ON OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

Following some issues with a former allotment tenant it was agreed that councillor Bellis and Blanchard would visit the ex tenant in order to overcome any issues that may have arisen.

07-03-15 FINANCIAL REPORT

Monies available as at 13 February 2015:

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| National Westminster Bank: | Current Account | £13,667.65 |
| | Reserve Account | £ 10,161.78 |

- 08-03-15 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS / PRIOR NOTIFICATIONS / TREE WORKS**
 PK15/0904/TRE - 340 North Road - Works to fell 1no. ash tree covered by tree preservation order SGTPO10/09 dated 09 September 2009 - NO OBSERVATIONS
 PK15/0540/F - Canary Cottage, Wotton Road - Erection of a 2 storey extension to east elevation to form additional living accommodation. - NO OBSERVATIONS
 PK15/0542/ADV - Unit 11 - 14 Beeches Industrial Estate - Display of 1no. externally illuminated fascia sign. - NO OBSERVATIONS
 PK15/0803/TCA - Tanera High Street - Works to fell 2no. Acres, 1no. Tulip and 1no. Ash situated within Iron Acton conservation area. - NO OBSERVATIONS
 PK15/0671/O - Land south of Broad Lane, Yate - Erection of 10no.dwellings (outline). All matters reserved - OBJECT - Over development of site, too dense with associated concerns of traffic / parking & movement at the junction with North Road which conflicts with the traffic lights at Iron Acton Way. Clerk
All Agreed
- 09-03-15 **PLANNING CONSENTS**
 None Received
- 10-03-15 **PLANNING REFUSALS / WITHDRAWALS**
 None Received
- 11-03-15 **PLANNING APPEALS**
 PK14/1755/F - Green Farm, Folly Road - Erection of 7.76 MW solar farm and associated works
- 12-03-15 **PLANNING ENFORCEMENT**
 None Received
- 13-03-15 **PARISH HALL**
 Following a discussion and a request for financial assistance towards the proposed extension to the parish hall it was agreed that a donation of £2500.00 would be granted now and it was noted that in the next financial year the parish council would donate a further £2500.00. It was stated however if the project does not go ahead or the funds are not required the donation would be returned to the parish council. **All Agreed** Clerk
- 14-03-15 **GAS MAINS CONNECTION**
 After a discussion in relation to a mains gas connection following correspondence received it was agreed that no further action would be taken.
- 15-03-15 **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR**
 It was resolved that I Selkirk would be appointed to carry out the internal audit for 2014/15 accounts. **All Agreed**
- 16-03-15 **MEETING DATES**
 It was agreed that the dates for
 A) Annual Parish meeting will be 30th April 2015 to be held in the parish hall
 B) Annual meeting of the parish council will be 11th May 2015 to be held in the marshall rooms. Both meetings to commence at 7.30pm
ALL AGREED
- 17-03-15 **FINANCIAL RISK ASSESMENT 2015/16**
 It was agreed to accept the financial risk assessment supplied by the clerk with the amendment of the fixed assets figure confirmed by the insurer.
ALL AGREED

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18-03-15 **LOCAL POYNTZ**

Following a request from the newly established local poyntz it was agreed that the parish council would donate £600 towards the start up costs. **All Agreed**

19-03-15 **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

- Clerks Wages March @ 70 Hrs
- Clerks Expenses March (Mileage/Heating & Lighting)
- Talk Talk – Phone & Broad band March – TBC
- Room Hire – 3 x £19
- ALCA Subscription - £224.87
- Wessex Water – Station Road Allotments - £36.16 – Nibley Lane Allotments - £23.15
- R Williams – Work in allotments - £336
- South Glos Business rates - £153.60
- C Wright – Management plan Chillwood - £250.00
- It was agreed to authorise the clerk to pay for the collection of 2 x green bins from the cemetery / allotments

ALL AGREED

The meeting of the parish council will take place on **Monday 20th April 2015 at North Road school**, commencing at 7.30pm

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.58 pm.

Signed:

Dated:
