

ICKHAM & WELL PARISH COUNCIL

Ordinary Parish Meeting 16th May 2016 at 7.00pm

Minutes of meeting

Present: Councillors J deGraft-Johnson (Chair), S Hipkin, P Hodges, K Richards, L Shouls, K Tatman, G Wyant.
Councillors M Northey and S Walker.

2016/017: Apologies

There were none.

2016/018: Declarations of Interest

Councillor deGraft-Johnson declared an interest in the planning application CA/16/00674 for replacement windows at 2 Ickham Oast House as one of the owners, Andy Guyton, has done work for him in the past and will do in the future.

2016/019: Minutes of the APCM meeting held on 18th April 2016

The minutes were signed by Councillor deGraft-Johnson as a true record.

2016/020 Matters Arising

20/01: re 2016/06 – Councillors were shown a letter from Sam from The Duke, (Appendix 1), confirming compliance with various issues raised about parking and rubbish which affected Ickham Court Farm in particular. It was mentioned that recently rubbish had again been left on the wrong side of the entrance but had been moved immediately when reported to the pub. Councillor Richards announced that another car had been hit outside the pub. Although there were some issues such as noisy customers, the possibility of allowing disabled access through the shared access with the flats and the fact that the laundry van often blocked access to the flats when collecting from the pub, it was felt best to work together with Sam to resolve matters when they arose. An informal meeting with Sam will be arranged in a couple of months to review the situation

20/02: re 2016/14 – Councillor Wyant reported that she had not yet been able to talk to Martin Twyman about creating a ditch to minimise flooding of the pathway by the pub as he was extremely busy at this time of year.

20/03: re 2016/15 – ex Councillor Brennan Dwyer had offered to run a First Aid course for villagers free of charge and this was gratefully received. It was

suggested that participants be charged £30, which would include a certificate and manual, and Councillor Richards was asked to ascertain how many parishioners would be interested in attending.

2016/021: Correspondence

Apart from the letter from Sam, mentioned above, there was none to report.

2016/021: Planning Applications

21/01: **CA/16/00674 2 Ickham Oast House** – replacement windows. As noted above, Councillor deGraft-Johnson had declared an interest and this discussion was chaired by Councillor Tatman. Permission to replace single glazed windows with double glazing within a conservation area had to have planning permission as this would change the appearance of the property, but it was noted that a neighbour of the applicant had been allowed to do so some 4 years ago. The current application also sought to change inward opening windows to ones opening outwards so that they would provide an escape route in an emergency. This change could affect users of the alleyway, however windows of other residents already open into the alleyway and the safety reasons given are sound. Canterbury had raised objections which have been responded to by the resident's agent. The PC were content to leave that decision to them as there were no objections from the councillors.

21/02: **CA/16/00990 4 Treasury View** – single storey rear pitched roof extension – there were no objections.

2016/22: Highways

22/01: Water mains replacement Councillor Tatman reported that this was progressing towards Littlebourne.

22/02: Potholes The large pothole in Drill Lane has been booked for repair.

22/03: There have been no reported accidents since the last meeting.

2016/23: AOB

The only matter raised was the question of seeking a volunteer to submit an article on Ickham for the local newspaper each month and this will be discussed at the next parish meeting.

There being no other business, the meeting ended at 7.30pm and the AGM commenced.

The next parish meeting is on Monday 20th June 2016 at 7.30pm

Appendix 1

Dear Mr Degraft-Johnson

Following my attendance at the Ickham Parish Council on the Monday 18th April, I'd like to formally list the Dukes Compliance with the various issues arising in the council's latest agenda.

- We have ordered a chain and padlock to keep the back gate at the end of our garden permanently locked. We also have a no entry sign on both sides so feel this is the most we can possibly do to stop people from entering our garden from the field.
- The sign post by the gate is being moved onto our side of the wall by our gardener some time when he's back later this month.
- The green 360 litre bins will be try to be moved from the private property on the left to the right hand side of the large plant pots after they have been emptied. This is already common practise but we will try and move them as quick as possible on Thursdays.
- When the front of the pub is swept of a morning I will make sure someone walks a tad further afield to make sure there is no pub litter on the floor. ■ The parking situation is probably the most difficult for us to manage as almost the whole village is off street parking. We agreed that we would ask customers to move if we saw them parking on private property of if a pathway was blocked. We also agree to put a sign up with a gentle reminder to be mindful of where you are parking within the village.

I hope these points satisfy the Parish Council upon being upheld as we want to be behind the local community and be as most helpful/least disruptive as possible.

Kind regards,

Sam Vesey
Duke William General Manager

