



**East Ilsley Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Full Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024, 7.30pm, The Ilsleys Primary School**  
 Minute Ref: 121124

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<b>Members Present:</b>	Cllr. Mike Pembroke (Chair), Cllr. Mark Browne, Cllr. Dominic Robertson, Cllr. Stephen Meadows, Cllr. Ted Shaw, Cllr. Ima Von Wenden.
<b>Members Absent:</b>	None
<b>Officers Present:</b>	Faye Bates (Clerk) Cllr. Carlyne Culver (District Councillor 20.00–20.50)
<b>In Attendance:</b>	12 Members of Public
<b>Meeting Start Time:</b>	19.30pm
<b>Meeting End Time:</b>	21.30pm

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1. Cllr. Pembroke welcomed all to the meeting and no members were absent, quorum achieved.
  - Cllr Pembroke apologised to members of the public for the lack of communication due to current clerk situation.
  - Cllr Pembroke thanked Faye Bates for standing in as clerk.
  - Cllr Pembroke informed the council and MOP that item number 5, Clerk employment, will be moved to the end of the meeting due to the numbers in attendance and the item being a closed session.
  
2. There were no declarations of interest declared by any member present, nor the Clerk. There were no requests for dispensation.
  
3. Questions or comments from members of the public regarding items on the agenda:
  - The lack of communication from the clerk was raised in relation to livestock changes in the field. Cllr Meadows has offered to be the point of communication for this during the clerk changes.
  - Fencing in the common field/paddock-MOP believed the fencing was going to be changed, this is not the case. The council approved for the fencing to be changed by owners of animals in the field but not to change the location. Next agenda item.
  - Christmas decorations at the pond-approved to carry on with these.

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- Emergency plans- MOP would like a copy.
  - Remembrance day parade- MOP commented that there wasn't a wreath from East Ilsley PC. Cllrs commented this is usually organised by the clerk, council apologised.
  - Kings Portrait- Next agenda item, council to ask villagers for a suggested location.
  - Memorial bench- no objections, will have to budget for future maintenance.
4. The minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024 were read and **approved** as a true and accurate record. Cllr. Pembroke signed a copy for the records and thanked Cllr. Von Wenden for taking the minutes of the last meeting due to clerk absence.
5. Moved to end of meeting
6. There were no receipts or payments to consider. The council are aware of a number of overdue and outstanding invoices, however, at present are unable to approve any due to any members being able to create a payment for approval on the bank account. This is a matter of urgency and the council and clerk will seek to have this matter resolved as soon as possible.
7. Planning – A discussion involving MOP was had regarding Pen meadow. Manor oak to communicate when the new proposal is available.
- 4 MOP left at 20:20
8. Cllr. Carlyne Culver provided a report to the Council, summarised below:
- Baxter housing application due before the end of the year. This will go to the planning committee.
  - Public consultation for the budget is on the WBC website, Cllr Culver urged the public to comment on this.
  - Members bid deadline is 3<sup>rd</sup> January.
  - Update was given regarding WBC cost cutting.
  - Flooding, ground water gauge has continued to rise despite the recent dry weather. Cllr Culver has a WhatsApp group for anyone affected by flooding.
9. Cllr Dominic Robertson raised the question of level of grit in salt bins. The council have 6 bags in the storage container at present, which will not be enough for the winter months. It was approved to buy 40 bags at £5.99 per bag. These will be stored in the container.
- 2 MOP left at 20:45
10. Renaming of the tables/benches in the playground was discussed. It was decided that Cllr. Von Wenden would discuss further with villagers for their opinion. **Ongoing**
- Cllr. Culver left at 20:50