

# Ufford Parish Council

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## Minutes of a Meeting of Ufford Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Ufford, on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7.30pm

1. In attendance – *Chairman Keith Lievesley (KL), Councillors David Chadwick (DC), Graham Bowes (GB), Frieda Gosling (FG) and Ward Councillor David Over. Five residents. Parish Clerk Susie Caney.*
2. No apologies of absence.
3. No Declarations of Interest and Dispensations were made.
4. To confirm and sign the minutes of the council meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2017.  
To confirm and sign the minutes of the extraordinary council meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017. *Both sets of Minutes were resolved unanimously to be a true record of events and were duly signed by the Chairman.*
5. Members of the public are invited to address the council with regard to any Agenda item. *It was resolved by unanimous vote to close the meeting for a period of time to allow members of the public to participate in a public forum. The meeting was closed at 7.37pm and reconvened at 7.46pm.*
6. Police and crime: To note the latest rural crime report. *The Rural Crime Police team have reported that beauty spots continue to be hit for vehicle crime and a black Chrysler people carrier is possibly responsible. The Police believe the vehicle may be using different index plates. If you see the vehicle please report it via 101 or [www.contactcambspolice.co.uk/Report/](http://www.contactcambspolice.co.uk/Report/). A resident at the meeting reported the break-in*

of an outdoor building on 6<sup>th</sup> Sept on Walcot Road. There have also been thefts from sheds in Bainton. Councillor David Over reported that there have been incidents involving tree branches/logs being pulled in front of cars and intimidating behaviour on High Field Road in Ashton. Please report any incidents to the Police.

7. Ward Councillor's report. Ward Councillor David Over reported that the Mayor of the Devolved Authority wants to spend £2m on officers and has the power to issue a precept which may come in next Financial Year. The Local Plan is out for Public Consultation in November and still contains plans for 2,500 houses in Castor. It was suggested that UPC invite Chief Inspector Rob Hill to a Ward meeting to discuss rural policing. **Action** – DO.  
Bainton and Ashton Parish Council are holding a Cider and Hog Roast event in October.

8. Finance.

- a. Ufford Cricket Club, Funding Request. It was resolved by unanimous vote to award £250 towards the cost of new cricket balls. **Action** – Clerk.
- b. Monthly Financial Report: to approve financial statements for July and August 2017. *Approved.*
- c. Authority to pay. All payments approved.
  - i. Susie Caney: Clerk's pay and expenses for July and August 2017, £61.87.
  - ii. HMRC: Clerk's PAYE tax July and August 2017, £66.00.
  - iii. Nest: Employer & Employee Pension Contributions, £29.60.

9. Planning.

- a. 15/00307/ENFOTH Compass Barn – skateboard ramp enforcement notice update. *The skateboard ramp has been dismantled and removed.*
- b. 17/00564/FUL Sherwood, Marholm Road – Demolition of existing bungalow with a new two storey dwelling. *Permitted.*
- c. 17/00696/HHFUL Highlands – Construction of garage. *Awaiting Decision.*
- d. 17/01526/HHFUL Highlands – Demolition of existing conservatory to rear, two storey side and rear extensions, single storey side extension and increase in the height and length of wall that is to project rearwards from east facing elevation of single story side extension. *Awaiting Decision.*
- e. Planning Matters. *FG drafted a letter to PCC's Nick Harding highlighting issues with ineffective communication from the Planning Department. Members discussed and agreed amendments. A copy will also be circulated within the Ward Group. Action – Clerk and FG.*

10. Other items.

- a. Playing Field.
  - i. Planting Scheme. *It was agreed to keep the current planting scheme as it is, and see how the hedge develops. UPC will apply for trees from the Woodlands Trust Tree Charter Legacy Tree planting scheme for the south-east corner of the field. Action – Clerk.*
  - ii. Basketball hoop quotes. *A backboard, hoop and net have been sourced from Net World Sports at £259.93 plus VAT. It was agreed the Clerk would order these items and ask for recommendations for a fitter. Action – Clerk.*
- b. Telephone Box Adoption and Defibrillator. *UPC have completed an application for a grant from the National Lottery Awards for All to cover the cost of a defibrillator and cabinet.*
- c. Shooting in residential garden. *Residents have raised concerns over gunshots being fired from the garden of a residential property over the Summer. UPC have spoken to the Police and will monitor the situation.*

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- d. Traffic Calming Update. *The Parish Council met with Highways to discuss traffic calming measures for the Village. Highways are looking into relocating the speed limit sign on Marholm Road to further out of the Village for better visibility, as well as the possible installation of two sets of speed cushions near to Newport Way. The road studs and central lines need to be removed from Walcot Road as they are not compliant with Highways England recommendations – the road is too narrow in places. KL will clarify costings with PCC's Peter Tebb as UPC would not be able to pay for all the measures suggested. The Walcot Road vehicle activated sign needs testing – will PCC do this? **Action** – KL.*

*It was resolved by unanimous vote to close the meeting for a period of time to allow members of the public to comment. The meeting was closed at 9.10pm and reconvened at 9.14pm.*

- e. Village maintenance: To note and agree action on current maintenance issues and to note updates on issues outstanding:
  - i. Public Right of Way - Replacement Stile. *The Clerk and FG are meeting with PCC's Lee Moore on 27<sup>th</sup> September to discuss public rights of way and look at an alternative gateway in place of the stile. **Action** – Clerk and FG.*
  - ii. Gigaclear – temporary surface replacement. *KL will contact Gigaclear to organise resurfacing of the temporary surfaces in the village. **Action** – KL.*
  - iii. Ufford Well. *The Well is overgrown and needs clearing. The Clerk and KL will look into a contractor to carry out the work. **Action** – Clerk and KL.*
- f. Meetings attended: To receive reports.
  - i. Growth Scrutiny re. Rhubarb Bridge. *Noted.*
- g. To note correspondence received:
  - i. Police and Crime Commissioner, Parish Conference. *GB will attend the conference on 6<sup>th</sup> October. **Action** – GB.*
  - ii. Sylvia Radouani, Parish Conference. *Noted.*
  - iii. NALC Newsletter. *Noted.*

11. Village Matters – for discussion only.

*Can the bus timetable can be removed from the bus stop as it's no longer in service and is unnecessary clutter? **Action** – Clerk*

*Are the green boxes (Gigaclear, BT, Box.com) on Main Street in the correct position? KL will mention to Gigaclear. **Action** – KL.*

12. Next meeting: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 7.30pm. Residents are encouraged to attend.

Meeting closed at 9.24pm.