

Ufford Parish Council

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Minutes of a Meeting of Ufford Parish Council held on Tuesday 12 April 2016 at 7.30pm

1. *To record names of members present:* Keith Lievesley (Chairman), Frieda Gosling, Marian Browne, Graham Bowes, David Chadwick, Ward Councillor David Over
2. *To note apologies for absence:* Parish Clerk Catherine Franks (illness)
3. *Declarations of Interest and Dispensations:*
 - a. *To receive Declarations of Interest from Councillors in items on the Agenda.*
Graham Bowes re agenda item 10 b. iii
 - b. *To receive written requests for Dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.* None
 - c. *To grant any requests for Dispensation as appropriate.* None.
4. *To confirm and sign the minutes of the council meeting held on 8 March 2016.*
Approved and signed as a true record.
5. *Members of the public are invited to address the council with regard to any Agenda item.* None.
6. *Police and crime.*
 - a. *To note the latest Crime Prevention Unit report.*
Two incidents reported: hare-coursing and car break-ins (neither within Ufford Parish). The re-forming of the county rural crime unit was also noted.
7. *Ward Councillor's report.* David Over reported a diminished level of meetings within the city council due to the upcoming elections - the planning committee's rejection of the application for 80 new homes on the Barnack greenfield site being the major point to note. The 'one-way' status of the Lolham Bridges road through to West Deeping continues to cause problems, with evidence of some motorists ignoring 'no entry' signs and driving in an aggressive manner in the proscribed northerly direction. Councillor Over also reported on wider issues such as the potential for upgrading major roads in Cambridgeshire (vs Norfolk/Suffolk) and the possible availability of a £30M government grant towards the establishment of a Peterborough University (under a third of the projected full

cost of any such establishment)

8. Finance.

- a. *Monthly Financial Report: to approve financial statements for March 2016.*
Approved and signed.
- b. *Annual Finance Report and Budget Outcome: to note report for 2015/16.*
Duly noted - with thanks extended to Parish Clerk for accuracy and clarity of reporting
- c. *Authority to pay:*
 - i. *Catherine Franks: Clerk's overtime and expenses for March 2016, £2.46.* Approved.
 - ii. *HMRC: Clerk's PAYE tax March 2016, £38.60.* Approved
- d. *Clerk's core pay: to authorise amended monthly standing order, £241.21.* Approved.

9. Planning.

- a. *15/01899/FUL Ufford Farm: Installation of ground mounted solar panel array. To note outcome - Permitted.* Duly noted. Keith Lievesley reported that some preliminary work has commenced.
- b. *15/01840/OUT Uffington Road, Barnack: Outline planning permission for 80 residential dwellings. To note outcome – Refused.* Duly noted.
- c. *15/01073/HHFUL Newe House: Two storey extension et al. To note committee decision /outcome - Permitted.* Duly noted.
- d. *16/00518/LBC, 16/00517/FUL White Hart: Two storey and single storey side extensions to form two letting bedrooms, entrance foyer and veranda.*
Lengthy discussion focused on the general acceptability or otherwise of the proposed development, its suitability for a listed building in a conservation area, on the lack of clarity in the plans and on the lack of detail in the specification of materials. Frieda Gosling's draft of the parish council's response to the application was discussed. With opinion divided - both on the application and the draft response document - Frieda asked the chairman to assume responsibility for re-drafting the document. **ACTION – Keith Lievesley to re-draft and circulate for approval.**
- e. *16/00052/FUL North Lodge: Erection of 4 bed dwelling, re-consultation. To note response agreed and submitted since last meeting.* Noted.
- f. *To note latest status of enforcement at Compass Barns and consider further complaint to Peterborough City Council.*
It was confirmed that contrary belief, no official enforcement notice has yet been served. Further discussion on the specific matter of enforcement was set aside because of a new, retrospective planning application for the skateboard ramp (16/00619/FUL). Full details were only posted on the planning portal on the afternoon of the UPC meeting but there was unanimous opposition to this unlawful construction in open countryside. Frieda Gosling proposed that an extension immediately be sought in order to give councillors time to study the documentation and deliver a response following discussion at the May meeting. Other councillors felt that because the application met none of the strict criteria for permitted development in open countryside there was no need for an extension. **ACTION – Keith Lievesley to speak with David Jolley at PCC planning re: timescales for their decision and make written request for an extension if appropriate.**
- g. *PCC Customer Excellence Assessment: To receive proposed comments from Frieda Gosling.*
Frieda's comments expressing general satisfaction with PCC were duly delivered.

10. Other items.

- a. *Terms of Reference: To approve addendums to the Council's Standing Orders:*
 - i. *Terms of Reference for Working Parties.* Approved.
 - ii. *Terms of Reference for Playground Equipment Working Party.* Approved.
 - iii. *To appoint members and leader of the Playground Equipment Working Party.*
It was stated that plans and progress are fairly well advanced. It was agreed that Frieda Gosling and Karen Howard had been steering affairs well and to approach Emma Thorpe as a potential third member of the working party.
- b. *Playground*
 - i. *To note the award of funding from Augean Fund.* Councillors heard a progress report

delivered by Karen Howard, an Ufford resident and member of the Playground Working Party. The award from Augean Fund is for £10,000, with a maximum of 6 months between the date of the award and commencement of work on the playground.

- ii. *To note next actions.* Noted that the grant is almost £7,000 short of the originally proposed spend on playground equipment. Final choice of equipment to be deferred until after the next round of fund-raising (esp. June 11th Open Gardens event).
- iii. *To consider a resident's request for:*
 1. *Installation of a dog waste box in SW corner of the playing field.* The bin is currently located on the northern boundary which abuts the resident's property and is a source of unpleasant smells, particularly in the hot weather. It is unclear how often the bin is emptied but more frequent emptying and/or relocation of the bin may remove this source of nuisance. However the SW corner was deemed to be too far away from the entrance to be noticeable. The eastern side may be more suitable.
 2. *Removal / re-positioning of goalpost closest to resident's boundary.* Removal or re-positioning not really practical so screening with tall hedging perhaps the only viable means of preventing footballs entering resident's garden.
- c. *Local council elections: To note official notice of election.* Noted.
- d. *Barnack Ward parish councils' social evening, 28 April: To agree plans for the event.* Marian Browne kindly offered to make sandwiches and other councillors added their offers of help
- e. *Annual parish meeting: To agree plans for the event.* Councillors to organise drinks and 'nibbles'. The chairman suggested inviting Richard Astle of the Langdyke Trust to be our guest speaker.
ACTION – Keith Lievesley to approach Mr Astle.
Village maintenance: To note and agree action on current maintenance issues and to note updates on issues outstanding:
 - i. *Potholes on Marholm Road.* Keith Lievesley clarified their location as being adjacent to Lambpit Drift.
- f. *Meetings attended: To receive reports.* None

11. *Village Matters – for discussion only.*

- a. *Vandalism:* As reported by the Parish Clerk, there has been vandalism to the notice board on the corner of Newport Way.
- b. *Parking on Newport Way:* Graham Bowes indicated that a resident had inquired when the 6 parking spaces promised by Cross Keys in return for the construction of the bungalow might be made available. **ACTION – Clerk to contact Cross Keys to discover date.**
- c. *Dead badgers at roadside:* Graham Bowes reported that for a considerable time there have been several rotting badger carcasses lying by the roadside at various points on the outskirts of the village. **ACTION – Clerk to contact PCC to request disposal.**

12. *Next meeting:* 7.30pm approx, Tuesday 10 May 2016, (preceded by Annual Parish Meeting)

The meeting closed at 21.20, after which the chairman thanked retiring councillor Marian Browne for her hard work and dedication in over 11 years of service and presented her with a gift from fellow councillors.

Signed as a true record of the meeting



Chairman, 10 May 2016