

# Ufford Parish Council

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## Minutes of a Meeting of Ufford Parish Council in Ufford Village Hall on Tuesday 11 February 2020 at 7.30pm

### DRAFT MINUTES TO BE APPROVED AT NEXT MEETING

- In attendance – Chair: Keith Lievesley (KL), Councillors Frieda Gosling (FG), Paul Wilde (PW), David Chadwick (DC) and Ward Councillor David Over (DO). Parish Clerk: Susie Caney (SC). No residents present.*
- Apologies for absence – Councillor Margaret Sargent (MS).*
- Declarations of Interest and Dispensations – None received.*
- To confirm and sign the minutes of the council meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020. The Minutes were resolved unanimously to be a true record of events and duly signed.*
- Members of the public are invited to address the council with regard to any Agenda item. No residents present.*
- Ward Councillor’s report. DO reported that the sewerage tanker in Southorpe is causing issues to residents and traffic. The sewerage from Southorpe is pumped into Ufford’s drains and has caused issues with raw sewerage leaking from the inspection chamber, and in one awful case into an Ufford resident’s home. DO will write to the local MP and Ombudsman for support as the local authority and Anglian Water are not rectifying the problem. It was reported that Councillor John Holdich OBE, Leader of the Council, will retire in May.*

*PCC are holding a budget meeting at the end of the month and staff have been notified that there are up to 80 redundancies taking place shortly, sadly including our Parish Co-ordinator and rural link to PCC, Sylvia Radouani.*

7. Finance.

- a. Monthly Financial Report: to approve financial reports for January 2020. *Approved.*
- b. Authority to pay. *Approved.*
  - i. £135.11, Susie Caney, Clerk's pay/overtime for January 2020.
  - ii. £240.00, Village Hall Committee, Annual Room Hire.
- c. To note payments already made. *Approved.*
  - i. £18.00, Unity Trust Bank, Service Charge (Dec).
- d. Authority to pay from Heritage Book account. *Approved.*
  - i. £20.00, Village Hall Committee, Room Hire for Book Launch.
  - ii. £49.41, Susie Caney, postage expenses for Heritage book.

8. Planning.

- a. 19/01562/FUL, Land to the rear of Highlands, Marholm Road, Proposed outbuilding. *Awaiting Decision.*
- b. 19/01850/CTR, Land adjacent to Bluebell Cottage, Main Street, Tree works including fell cypress and lift crown of cherry. *Permitted.*
- c. Tree Inspection report from PCC. *Noted.*

9. Correspondence.

- a. NALC Monthly Bulletin. *Noted.*
- b. CAPALC Incorporation Proposal. *Noted.*
- c. Rural Development Grant Scheme. *It was agreed the clerk would write to Andrew Luff to find out if funding could be sought to improve the network of old footpaths in the Ward. **Action** – SC.*
- d. Amanda Large, Cambs Police, Hare Coursing. *To be shared on social media. **Action** – SC.*
- e. Sion James, Cambs CC, Stay Well this Winter Pack. *To be noted in the Parish News. **Action** – SC.*
- f. Sylvia Radouani, PCC, Scam Information. *To be noted in the Parish News, noticeboards and social media. **Action** – SC.*

10. Village Maintenance: To note and agree on current maintenance issues and to note updates on issues outstanding:

- a. Highways/Traffic:
  - i. Parking on Main Street - Traffic order for use of parking cones, outstanding meeting with TWH. *KL and SC met with Paul at TWH and agreed to trial a system whereby traffic cones are placed in designated areas (near the junction with Walcot Road and the top of the hill on Main Street) ahead of large events. PCC Highways will provide a plan of designated areas and will work with TWH to advise an enforcement officer when they are in use.*
  - ii. Traffic calming speed cushions – update from meeting on 7/2/2020. *SC met with Highways' John Bourke who will draw up a plan ahead of a consultation with residents for two sets of speed cushions either side of Newport Way.*
- b. Drainage and Blocked Sewer on Main Street - update from PCC. *KL and DC will follow up with Anglian Water. DO advised UPC write to the local MP and Ombudsman regarding the sewerage issue (item 6). **Action** – SC, KL & DC.*

11. Other items.

- a. Ufford Heritage Book – sales update, finances and website content. *Book sales continue steadily, with copies sold at John Clare Cottage and Walkers of Stamford. If residents would like additional copies, please contact the clerk. FG is liaising with Lisa Chadwick to provide content and images for the website which is due for an update shortly.*
- b. Barnack Ward Tree Planting Proposal. *Richard Astle (Langdyke Trust) attended the recent Ward Group meeting to share the Langdyke Trust's proposals for the 'John Clare Country Vision' which includes tree planting amongst other priorities. Richard will be organising a meeting for all 15 parishes within John Clare Country to work together with the aim of planting a least 10 trees a year for the next 10 years. FG is formulating proposals for areas within Ufford, such as Lambpit Spinney, Downhall and the course of the old railway line. FG requested members give it some thought ahead of Richard's meeting. **Action** – all.*
- c. Defibrillator – registration with East of England Ambulance Service. *Noted.*
- d. Parish Council Local Elections – community information. *Information about how to get involved with your parish council will be circulated over the next few weeks, ahead of the elections in May. If in the meantime you would like to find out more about becoming a councillor please speak to a member of UPC or the parish clerk.*
- e. Night-flying - Circulating information to equestrian community. *UPC will pass all RAF correspondence notifying night-flying to Marian Browne to circulate to the equestrian community. **Action** – SC.*
- f. VE Day – Commemoration plans. *UPC would like to support the village hall committee with any event set up to commemorate VE Day. Members agreed a pledge of £250.*
- g. Date for a Community Litter Pick. *A village litter pick date will be revisited later in the year as Ufford is looking clean and tidy at present.*

12. Village Matters – for discussion only. *Noted.*

13. Next meeting: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7.30pm. Residents are encouraged to attend.

Meeting closed at 20.48.