

UFFINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING **Held at 7.30pm on 12 September 2022 in Uffington Village Hall**

Present: Parish Councillors A Blake (Vice Chair), P Daimond, E Strawbridge, and Shropshire Councillor L Picton

Clerk: Lisa Harris

58.22 Chairman's Welcome

In the absence of Councillor Padmore, Councillor Blake chaired the meeting. After welcoming everyone, he then paid tribute to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II noting that we had all been deeply saddened to hear of her passing and wished to express heartfelt condolences, on behalf of Uffington Parish Council, to The King and the rest of the Royal Family at this sad time.

59.22 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors L Padmore and J Carter.

60.22 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

- a) No disclosable pecuniary interests were declared.
- b) There were no applications for a dispensation regarding disclosable pecuniary interests.

61.22 Public Participation

No members of the public were present.

62.22 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 July 2022

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated.

It was proposed by Councillor Strawbridge and seconded by Councillor Daimond and **resolved (without opposition)**

that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 July 2022 be accepted as a true record. The minutes were signed accordingly.

63.22 Clerk's Report on matters arising from the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 11 July 2022.

- Advised E.ON to go ahead with the replacement street light. Work expected to be carried out in October.

- Reported highways issues to Shropshire Council. Grass triangle at the Upton Magna turn has since been cut along with Sundorne island.
- Contacted Opdenenergy to discover the results of the questionnaire regarding the proposed solar farm. [Councillor Picton left the room].

Opdenenergy had sent out over 500 questionnaires to residents of Uffington and the surrounding area. 38 completed questionnaires had been returned via freepost. The results were:

Response	Number of Responses
Strongly agree	16
Agree	8
Don't know	2
Disagree	2
Strongly disagree	10
Total	38

Opdenenergy had not yet submitted a planning application to Shropshire Council, so no further discussion took place. If a planning application is submitted before the next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council in November, then an extraordinary meeting will be convened to consider. [Councillor Picton rejoined the meeting].

64.22 To receive report from Shropshire Councillor and/or Safer Neighbourhood Team (West Mercia Police)

Nobody from the SNT was able to attend.

Councillor Picton presented a brief report: Following the resignation of Boris Johnson, Shropshire Council had been a little “rudderless” as hadn’t known what was going on policy-wise. Liz Truss was appointed Prime Minister and managed to announce one policy (energy cap) before Her Majesty The Queen had died and parliament was suspended. The Council is not relying on a bail out from the government and is working hard to balance the budget and sorting out the deficit for next year.

The Queen dying in Scotland brought into force Operation Unicorn and Operation London Bridge and both of these resulted in much organisation on the part of Shropshire Council.

65.22 To receive the defibrillator report for the period

Councillor Blake confirmed that the defibrillator was ready to use as and when required.

66.22 Current Financial Matters

a) Payments

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
12/09/22	Miss L Harris	Clerk's expenses August/September	£ 89.52
12/09/22	Miss L Harris	Clerk's salary August/September	£ 840.90
12/09/22	HMRC	PAYE on Clerk's salary	£ 210.20
12/09/22	E.ON	Street lighting maintenance	£ 79.20
TOTAL			£ 1219.82

It was proposed by Councillor Strawbridge and seconded by Councillor Daimond and **resolved (without opposition)**

that the above accounts be approved for payment.

b) Bank reconciliation to 5 September 2022

The bank was reconciled at £36,069.65, being the online banking balances on the date the meeting agenda was prepared. The bank reconciliation was agreed and signed accordingly.

67.22 Highway Matters

- Just after the turn for Upton Magna, it has been reported that a mirror (on a post) has been sited opposite the dwelling on the right-hand side. Parishioners have asked if permission is required from Shropshire Council to install such a highway visibility mirror.
- The hedgerow from Sundorne roundabout on the B5062 (Newport Road) to the turn off for Uffington, is very overgrown and obscuring signage.

ACTION: Clerk to check on both matters with Shropshire Council.

68.22 Planning

1. Decisions to note

a. Ref: 22/01780/FUL

Address: Rea Valley Tractors Seven Acres Uffington Shrewsbury Shrops SY4 4RR

Description: Erection of extension to existing building; erection of two further buildings and relocation of existing vehicular access

Validated: 12 Apr 2022

Status: Granted

b. Ref: 22/02527/AMP

Address: Bridge Farm Uffington Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 4ST

Description: Non Material Amendment to planning application 21/05877/PMBPA – Additional of 2no. high level windows in gable ends

Validated: 1 Jul 2022

Status: Granted

2. Planning applications for consideration

a. Ref: 22/02027/LBC

Address: Vine Cottage Uffington Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 4SN

Description: Installation of 13No replacement windows and 3No replacement doors affecting a Grade II Listed Building

Validated: 11 Aug 2022

Status: Pending Consideration

b. Ref: 22/03830/ADV

Address: Rea Valley Tractors Seven Acres Uffington Shrewsbury Shrops SY4 4RR

Description: Erection of replacement advertisement and signage (totem pole)

Validated: 22 Aug 2022

Status: Pending Consideration

No objections nor comments were recorded on any of the above planning applications.

69.22 Correspondence to note

Nothing not already discussed on agenda.

70.22 Minor matters not included elsewhere on agenda and future agenda items

- Community carol singing will take place on Friday 16 December. The Parish Council will consider funding the brass band. The Village Hall will provide mince pies and mulled wine.

ACTION: Clerk to put on November's agenda.

- Possible planning breach on the land adjacent to Vine Cottage. The Parish Council website has a page called "Planning Enforcement" giving full information on how members of the public can report an alleged planning breach to Shropshire Council.
- It was agreed that at the next meeting, consideration should be given to a suitable commemoration for Queen Elizabeth II.

ACTION: Clerk to put commemoration for Queen Elizabeth II on November's agenda.

71.22 Date and time of next meeting

Monday 14 November 2022, 7.30pm

The Vice Chairman thanked everybody for attending and the meeting closed at 8.21pm.

Signed by Vice Chairman:

Date: 14 November 2022