

UFFINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Held at 7.30pm on 15 January 2024 in Uffington Village Hall

Present: Parish Councillors L Padmore (Chair), C Ashton, P Daimond, S Poole, E Strawbridge and Shropshire Councillor L Picton

Clerk: Lisa Harris

75.23 Chairman's welcome

Councillor Padmore welcomed all to the meeting.

76.23 Apologies for Absence

None.

77.23 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

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

78.23 Public Participation Session - *a period of 15 minutes will be set aside for the public to speak, with a strict 5-minute limit per speaker. Members of the public may speak on matters appearing on the agenda. However, if a matter does not appear on the agenda, a written request should be submitted to the Clerk no later than 2 working days before the meeting.*

No members of the public were present.

79.23 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13 November 2023

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated.

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

that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13 November 2023 be accepted as a true record.

The minutes were signed accordingly.

80.23 Clerk's Report on matters arising since the Parish Council Meeting in November 2023

- Streetlight – notified E.ON immediately after November meeting that the Parish Council wishes to proceed with installation of new streetlight in accordance with quote. Yet to hear of confirmed installation date.
- Budget/Precept – worked on proposals to be presented at 83.23.

81.23 To receive report from Shropshire Councillor

Councillor Picton presented a report which covered:

- Budget Update – making good progress towards the required savings. Will probably achieve a saving of 94% of the £51M target. So far the people of Shropshire will not really have noticed the savings which have been made but as there is an increased demand currently of around £23M for social care the next round of savings will be noticeable such as a charge for green waste. If the demand continues to grow for social care, the entire net budget of Shropshire Council will be taken by it, which is not sustainable.
- Car Parking Charges – the increase is nothing to do with the budget. The service currently does not have enough money to repair and maintain the car parks so it needs the increase in charges to do this.
- In discussion with SALC to get a hotline set up for clerks. A working group is being set up by SALC to discuss how it would best work. There will be a dedicated email address and a dedicated telephone number for when clerks are unable to get answers from Shropshire Council. It will be possible for Shropshire Council to monitor how many times requests are made.
- Shrewsbury Movement and Public Space Strategy – It aims to deliver on the commitment to provide an integrated transport system as well as providing a reduction in vehicular emissions and improvements to air quality across the town, contributing to a cleaner, safer environment. It will be subject to public consultation for a period of eight weeks, commencing on Friday 26 January 2024, with the final terms of the consultation being approved by the Executive Director of Place in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Climate Change, Environment and Transport.

Councillor Picton left the meeting after giving her update.

82.23 To receive defibrillator report for the period

MedUK had confirmed that a monthly health check on the defibrillator had been performed on 5 December 2023 and 6 January 2024 and that it is ready for use as and when required. A defibrillator is used in the event of Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) for which there is generally no prior warning and not in the event of a Myocardial Infarction (MI), colloquially known as a "heart attack".

83.23 Current Financial Matters

a) Payments

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
15/01/24	Miss L Harris	Clerk's expenses Dec '23/Jan '24	£ 64.44
15/01/24	Miss L Harris	Clerk's salary Dec '23/Jan '24 (including backdated NJC pay rise to April '23)	£ 1,145.98
15/01/24	HMRC	PAYE on clerk's salary Dec '23/Jan '24 (including backdated NJC pay rise to April '23)	£ 309.15
15/01/24	E.ON	Street Lighting Maintenance Contract	£ 79.20
15/01/24	Shropshire Council	Joint Energy Cost – Quarter 3	£ 71.16
15/01/24	C. Ashton	Poppies for remembrance displays	£ 42.50
15/01/24	ICO	Data Protection Fee	£ 35.00
TOTAL			£1,747.43

It was proposed by Councillor Padmore and seconded by Councillor Stawbridge and **resolved (without opposition)**

that the above accounts be approved for payment.

b) Bank reconciliation to 9 January 2024

The bank was reconciled at £22,783.31, being the online banking balances on the date the accounts for the meeting were prepared. The bank reconciliation was agreed and signed accordingly.

c) Budget and Precept 2024/25

The Clerk had prepared the proposed budget for 2024/25.

It was proposed by Councillor Padmore and seconded by Councillor Daimond and **Resolved (without opposition)**

that the precept for 2024/25 be set at £10,089 being no increase on the amount last claimed in 2022/23. No precept was claimed in 2023/24 due to the requirement to reduce the excessive level of reserves held.

ACTION: Clerk to apply to Shropshire Council for a precept of £10,089 by the 31 January deadline.

The Clerk was unable to continue, and the meeting closed at this point.

84.23 Highway Matters

85.23 Planning

1. Decisions to note

a. Ref: 23/04298/OUT

Address: Proposed Hotel East Of The Shrewsbury Club Sundorne Road Shrewsbury Shropshire

Description: Outline application (all matters reserved except access and layout) for hotel with associated parking and landscaping

Validated: 13 Oct 2023

Status: Withdrawn

2. Planning applications for consideration

a. Ref: 23/05231/AGR

Address: Sunderton Farm Uffington Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 4RR

Description: Erection of an agricultural livestock building and all associated works

Validated: 05 Dec 2023

Status: Pending Consideration

86.23 Correspondence

None.

87.23 Future agenda items

None.

88.23 Date of next meeting

Monday 25 March 2024, 7.30pm, Uffington Village Hall

Signed by Chairman:

Date: 25 March 2024