### **Uffington Parish Council**

# Monday 19th April 2021

#### **MINUTES**

- 1. Chairman's Welcome the Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.
- 2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest; There were none declared at this point.
- 3. **Present** Councillor L Padmore- Chairman, Councillor P Daimond-Vice-chairman, Councillor E Strawbridge, Councillor A Blake, Shropshire Councillor L Picton and L Pardoe clerk to the council. Apologies were received from Councillor R Davies due ongoing health issues. These were accepted by the Council.
- 4. Public Session There were no members of the public present.
- Council to agree minutes of meeting held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021.It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting, proposed by Councillor E Strawbridge, seconded by Councillor P Daimond and agreed by all members present.
- Clerk to report on matters from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda. The clerk had nothing to report all items were covered on the agenda.
- 7. To receive Report from Shropshire Councillor L Picton. Councillor Picton had sent a written report which all members had received, she thanked the members for their support over the last four years and was looking forward to working with them again should she be successful in the forthcoming elections.

It is relatively quiet at present due to the elections being held on 6th May. However, work continues on many of the big projects, but no new policies or projects will be confirmed until after the new Council is confirmed later in May. As the Covid infection rates continue to drop and we follow the "Road Map" out of lockdown, many of the council staff, who were seconded to the Community Reassurance Teams, are now slowly returning to their substantive roles. This is especially true of staff across Culture & Leisure who have been working across the Testing and Vaccination centres. Our Leisure Centres are open for outdoor activities and very soon the indoor facilities will also open. Theatres and cinemas will open later in the year.

#### LITTER PICKING

The litter picking along the main routes has taken place and there will be sessions on other roads scheduled soon. However, the litter problem is not going away, no matter what the Council do to clean up, it seems that more and more litter appears on our roads, verges, parks and open spaces.

In May/June Keep Britain Tidy are running another Great British Spring Clean event. Details can be found at https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/ many of the parishes in the Tern Division are looking to take part. If you would like run an event and encourage residents to take part, I can arrange to borrow the picking equipment. Councillor Picton then left the meeting.

- 8. Councillor Blake to report on the status of the Defibrillator. The defibrillator was ready to be used when needed.
- 9. Councillor Blake to report on the progress on the procurement of planters for the village. Councillor Blake and Padmore had been looking a planters and sent details to Councillor Daimond and Strawbridge who were happy with the one selected. However Councillor Blake was having terrible problems with his internet connection which kept dropping in and out and it was agreed to refer discussion on this to the May meeting.

### 10. Planning:

• Reference: 21/01655/PMBPA (validated: 31/03/2021)

Address: Proposed Residential Barn Conversion NE Of Bridge Farm, Uffington, Shrewsbury, Shropshire Proposal: Application for prior approval under Part 3, Class Q of the Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 for the change of use from agricultural to form one residential unit

After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council had no objections to this application. Proposed by Councillor L Padmore, seconded by Councillor E Strawbridge and agreed by all members present.

## 11. Highway Matters

Councillors to report any Highways matters. Members had nothing to report.

# 12. Finance (a)

Council to agree and pay accounts as presented by the clerk: It was agreed to pay the accounts as
presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor E Strawbridge, seconded by Councillor P Daimond and
agreed by all members present.

06-Apr	S/o	L Pardoe	Salary	296.71
6 Apl	784	HMRC	PAYE	30.00
	785	J Griffiths	Internal Audit	50.00
	786	L Pardoe	WFHA/Stamps S/O diff	46.88
	788	L Pardoe	Year end papers postage	6.99
			total	430.58

- ii. Council to accept Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk, proposed by Councillor E Strawbridge, seconded by Councillor P Daimond and agreed by all members present.
- iii. Council to agree the year end accounts as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to accept the Year End Accounts as presented by the clerk Proposed by Councillor E Strawbridge, seconded by Councillor A Blake and agreed by all members present.
- iv. Council to agree to certify themselves exempt from a limited Assurance Review for the financial year 2020/2021Members agreed to certify themselves exempt form a limited Assurance Review for the year ended 2020/2021 Proposed by Councillor E Strawbridge, seconded by Councillor A Blake and agreed by all members present.
- Council to receive and note the Internal Audit for Financial Year end 2020/2021 The Internal Audit was
  received and noted by the Council Proposed by Councillor E Strawbridge, seconded by Councillor A Blake
  and agreed by all members present.
- vi. Council to agree the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1) for financial year end 2020/2021. The members agreed the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1) for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. Proposed by Councillor E Strawbridge, seconded by Councillor A Blake and agreed by all members present.
- vii. Council to agree the Accounting Statements (Section 2) for financial year end 2020/2021. The Council agreed the Accounting Statements (Section 2) for the financial year end 31<sup>st</sup> march 2021. Proposed by Councillor E Strawbridge, seconded by Councillor A Blake and agreed by all members present.
- 13. **Parish Matters** Councillor Padmore reported that a resident had complained to a planning officer at the Shirehall that the lights at Rea Valley Tractors were shine across the countryside and asked if they could be altered to shine downwards with shields to prevent too much light pollution in the area.
- 14. Council to receive the resignation of the clerk. The clerk's resignation was accepted by the Council. The May meeting would be the last one.
- 15. Date and Time of Annual Parish Meeting It was agreed that this would be held on 17th May starting at 7.00pm.
- 16. **Date and time of next meeting** It was agreed that this would be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at Uffington Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.Clerk to confirm the date and time with the booking secretary and ensure that all COVID regulations re fully complied with.

Facial masks to be worn at all times during the meeting. Social Distancing will also be in operation.

The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 20.02pm