

About the Publication Scheme

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 it is the duty of every public authority to adopt and maintain a publication scheme. Publication schemes facilitate the proactive release of information and play a crucial role in supporting and providing greater openness and transparency across the public sector.

The Freedom of Information Act gives members of the public rights of access to all kinds of recorded information held by a wide range of authorities. Information about the Act is available from the Information Commissioner's Office at www.ico.gov.uk

This scheme is based on the Model Publication Scheme issued by the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). It is intended to provide everyone interested in the Council with a comprehensive guide to information that the Council will automatically and routinely publish or otherwise make available to the public.

Freedom of information requests and the Publication Scheme

The publication scheme sets out the information that is routinely available. Information that is not listed in this document can still be requested and it will be made available unless it can legitimately be withheld. This may be done by making a written request to the Parish Clerk who will reply within fourteen days. Contact details are at the end of this publication.

Exclusions

The categories of information available will generally not include:

- information the disclosure of which is prevented by law, or is exempt under the Freedom of Information Act, or is otherwise properly to be protected from disclosure
- information in draft form
- information that is no longer readily available as it is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage, or is difficult to access for similar reasons

How information is made available

Where practicable Uffington Parish Council will make the information covered by this publication scheme available on its public website at www.uffingtonparishcouncil.org.uk. Some information is posted on the noticeboard situated outside the church on the corner of Mill Lane.

Where it is impracticable to make information available on the website, or if you are unable to access it using the website, you can request it in another form using the contact information at the end of this document.

Some information may only be available by viewing in person. Contact the Clerk for information on how to arrange a viewing time.

We will provide information in the language in which it is held, or in such other language as is legally required. We will translate information if legally required to do so.

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We will adhere to obligations under disability and discrimination legislation, and any other legislation, to provide information under this scheme in other forms.

Charges

Most information is available free of charge on the Uffington Parish Council website, or by contacting the Clerk for an electronic version. If a charge is to be made, we will confirm the payment due before we provide the information. We will usually request payment before disclosure.

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Schedule of charges

This describes how the charges for providing information will be arrived at where applicable:

Type of Charge	Description	Basis of Charge
Disbursement cost	Photocopying @ 10p per sheet (black & white)	Actual cost incurred by the Parish Council
	Photocopying @ 20p per sheet (colour)	Actual cost incurred by the Parish Council
	Postage	Actual cost of Royal Mail standard second class
Statutory Fee	£20 per hour of Clerk's time beyond the maximum number of hours the Parish Council is obliged to provide per request.	In accordance with the relevant legislation.

Information available from Uffington Parish Council under the model publication scheme

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained	Cost
Class1 - Who we are and what we do		
Organisational information, structures, locations and contacts		
Who's who on the Council and its Committees	Website/Parish noticeboards	Free
	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Parish noticeboards	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Contact details for Parish Clerk and Council members	Website	Free
	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Parish noticeboards	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Class 2 – What we spend and how we spend it		
Financial information relating to projected and actual income and expenditure, procurement,	contracts and financial audit)	
Annual return form, detailed annual receipts and payments accounts and report by internal	Website	Free
auditor	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Finalised budget	Website	Free
	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Precept	Website	Free
	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Borrowing Approval letter	Not applicable	
Financial Standing Orders and Regulations	Website	Free
	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Grants given and received	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	10p/sheet
List of current contracts awarded and value of contract	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Members' allowances and expenses	Email request to Clerk	Free

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	Hard copy	Disbursement
Class 3 – What our priorities are and how we are doing		
Strategies and plans, performance indicators, audits, inspections and reviews		
Parish Plan	Website	Free
	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Annual Report to Parish Meeting	Website	Free
	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Quality status	The Parish Council does not	
	hold Quality status.	
Local charters drawn up in accordance with DCLG guidelines	The Parish Council does not	
	have any local charters.	
Class 4 – How we make decisions	-	-
Decision making processes and records of decisions		
Timetable of meetings (Council and any committee/sub-committee meetings and parish	Website/Parish noticeboards	Free
meetings)	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Agendas of meetings (as above)	Website	Free
Agendas for meetings will be posted to the website at least 3 clear days ahead of the	Email request to Clerk	Free
meeting.	Hard copy	Disbursement
Minutes of meetings (as above) – NB this will exclude information that is properly regarded	Website	Free
as private to the meeting.	Email request to Clerk	Free
Minutes of meetings will be posted in draft form within one month of the meeting. Final	Hard copy	Disbursement
minutes will be posted within one week of them being approved by Council at the next		
meeting.		
Reports presented to council meetings – NB this will exclude information that is properly	Website	Free
regarded as private to the meeting.	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Responses to consultation papers	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Responses to planning applications	Shropshire Council planning	Free
	portal:	
	Viewing planning applications	Free
	Shropshire Council Link to	

	portal also available on parish council website Email request to Clerk	Free
Bye-laws	Not applicable	
Class 5 - Our policies and procedures		
Current written protocols, policies and procedures for delivering our services and responsibil	ities. Current information only	
Policies and procedures for the conduct of council business:		
Procedural standing orders	All available:	
Financial Regulations	1. on website	Free
Committee and sub-committee terms of reference	2. Email request to Clerk	Free
Delegated authority in respect of officers	3. Hard copy	Disbursement
Code of Conduct		
Policy statements		
Policies and procedures for the provision of services and about the employment of staff:		
Internal instructions to staff and policies relating to the delivery of services		
Equality and diversity policy	All available:	
Health and safety policy	1. on website	Free
Recruitment policies (including current vacancies)	2. Email request to Clerk	Free
Policies and procedures for handling requests for information	3. Hard copy	Disbursement
Complaints procedures (including those covering requests for information and		
operating the publication scheme)		
Information security policy	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Records management policies (records retention, destruction and archive)	Website	Free
	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Data protection policies	Website	Free
	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Schedule of charges (for the publication of information)	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Class 6 – Lists and Registers		
Currently maintained lists and registers only		
Any publicly available register or list	Contact Clerk	Disbursement
Asset Register	Website	Free

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	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Disclosure log (indicating the information that has been provided in response to requests)	Email request to Clerk	Free
	Hard copy	Disbursement
Register of members' interests	Shropshire Council website	Free
	(link on parish council website)	
Register of gifts and hospitality	Not applicable	
Class 7 – The services we offer		
Information about the services we offer, including leaflets, guidance and newsletters produc	ced for the public and businesses	
Current information only		
Allotments	The Parish has no allotments,	
	but arrangements may be made	
	with other local Parishes.	
	Contact the Clerk.	
Burial grounds and closed churchyards	Not within Parish Council	
	jurisdiction	
Community centres and village halls	Not under Parish Council	
	authority – see website for	
	contact details for the Village	
	Hall.	
Parks, playing fields and recreational facilities	Not applicable	
Seating, litter bins, clocks, memorials and lighting	For details of the public	
	benches contact the Clerk	Disbursement
Bus shelters	Not applicable	
Markets	Not applicable	
Public conveniences	Not applicable	
Agency agreements	Not applicable	
Services for which the council is entitled to recover a fee, together with those fees (e.g.	Not applicable	
burial fees)		

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