

## Ugley Parish Council

### Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 8 July 2019

#### Present:

Cllr. Nick Shutes (Chairman), Cllr. David Cross (Vice-Chairman),  
Cllr. Nick Bowers, Cllr. Matt Francis, Cllr. Clayton Powter  
and Mrs. Louise Johnson (Parish Clerk).

#### Members of the Public:

District Cllr. Janice Loughlin  
Essex County Cllr. Ray Gooding

The meeting opened at 7pm.

1. **Apologies for Absence.** Cllr. Roger Pryor.
2. **Declarations of Interest.** Cllr. Shutes declared a pecuniary interest on the Gladman planning application, land north of Bedwell Road and east of Old Mead Road, Ugley; part of the land involved belongs to his wife.
3. **Open to the public.**
4. **Signing of the Minutes**  
The minutes of the meeting held on 20 May 2019 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
5. Mr. Woodcock did not turn up for the meeting.
6. **District Cllr. Janice Loughlin's Report.**  
UDC held an extra meeting on 30 June 2019. The decision was made at this meeting to refer the 2018 Stansted Airport planning application back to the Planning Committee for further consideration. The proposal received cross-party support with 31 Councillors voting in favour, one against and one abstention. Cllr. Loughlin had been unable to attend the meeting due to ill health. It was unclear as to whether the proposal was to refer the whole of the Stansted Planning application back to the Planning Committee or just the section 106 agreement.  
Cllr. Loughlin said that if it was just for the section 106 agreement she felt this was acceptable, but a vote had been taken on the planning application itself and had been agreed, it was therefore wrong to take another vote.

The New Local Plan is currently in the hands of the Inspectors. The Inspectors sent a letter to UDC asking if they still support the New Local Plan. UDC had replied saying they fully support it.

The Uttlesford Local Plan Examination Hearing Session Stage 1 took place on 2 July - 4 July 2019, with another hearing on 16 July – 18 July.

Cllr. Loughlin is on the Planning Committee and the Local Plan Committee, she is also sub for the Standards Committee and Licensing Committee.

**7. Essex County Cllr. Ray Gooding's Report.**

Cllr. Gooding spoke about apprenticeships. Apprentices are aged 16 or over and combine working with studying to gain skills and knowledge in a specific job. Employees must work for an employer. The employer can get government funding to cover some of the cost of training an apprentice. Some Further Educational Colleges offer apprenticeship courses but these are not proper apprenticeships.

Cllr. Gooding said a meeting was being held on 23 July 2019 regarding the future of libraries in Essex, after the meeting he would be able to announce further details.

**8. Planning Application**

A letter had been received from Gladman Development Ltd on their proposed planning application of 235 houses on land off Bedwell Road, Ugley.

As a planning application had not been submitted to UDC yet no formal response could be made at this time. However, it was agreed that the Parish Council would object to this application on the grounds of, the dangerous access and the rural roads, residents from this development would go through Ugley Green for access on to the B1381. The houses would be in close proximity to the motorway, which is officially discouraged due to pollution issues; houses should not be built within 100 feet of the central reservation

Cllr. Gooding said that the development would also cause problems with accommodating children in the local schools.

**Planning application decided by UDC**

- a) **UTT/19/0736/HHF** Proposed hipped roof to east elevation. Home Farm, North Hall Road, Ugley. **Approved.**
  
- b) **UTT/19/0756/HHF** Proposed single storey rear extension to create a garden room and single storey rear garden floor extension to create en suite bathroom. The Hemitage, Snakes Lane, Ugley. **Refused.** The cumulative increase of this proposal would be detrimental to the size, scale and form of the original building that would be harmful to the fabric and setting of the listed building. The proposal therefore fails to comply with the NPPF and ULP ENV2 and H8.

**9. Clerk's Report**

**Salt bag scheme winter 2019-20**

It was agreed to participate in the salt bag scheme for 2019/20 and ask for one ton of salt. A new salt bin is required by the Chequers Public House; the Parish Clerk to review costs.

**The Link**

It was agreed to subscribe to 'The Link'. Five copies a month at £11 per copy. Susan Bones will collect the copies and place three copies on the notice board in the Village Hall, the other two copies are to be taken by Mrs Bower to be placed in St. Peter's Church.

### **Cllr. Anthony Gerard**

It was agreed to invite Cllr. Gerard to a Parish Council meeting to give a presentation on 'working together with UDC to improve all our lives in Uttlesford'. Cllr. Gerard is UDC Portfolio Holder for Residents and Community Partnerships; police and Emergency Services.

### **Vacancy on the Parish Council**

Due to the very sad news of the passing of Cllr. Jean Reay, the Council has a vacancy.

### **The Parish Council laptop**

It was agreed to replace the Parish Clerk's laptop, at a cost of around £300. The current laptop was having technical problems trying to download the latest software.

## **10. Financial Report.**

Cashflow – Circulated

Payments requiring authorisation

BACS L Johnson- Gift Books	£ 75.00
BACS Insurance	£ 274.40
BACS Hilbery Turf	£ 96.00
BACS HMRC	£ 147.20
BACS L Johnson	£ 580.80
101037 The Hundred	
Parish Society	£ 30.00

Cash Statement July 2019

Balance brought forward **£9,232.40**

BACS L Johnson- Gift Books	£ 75.00
BACS Insurance	£ 274.40
BACS Hilbery Turf	£ 96.00
BACS HMRC	£ 143.20
BACS L Johnson	£ 580.80
BACS The Hundred	
Parish Society	£ 30.00

Bank Balance **£8,033.00**

## **11. Any Other Business** (no decisions can lawfully be made under this item).

The bench on the grass verge by the Chequers Public House is in need of repair; the Parish Clerk is to arrange for the work to be carried out.

Cllr. Loughlin informed the meeting that she had been asked to become a Trustee for 'The 100 Parishes Society'.

The next Parish Council meeting is to be held on Monday 9 September 2019 at 7.00pm, in the Ugley Village Hall.

The meeting finished at 8.15pm.

Signed