

## Ugley Parish Council

### Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 21 October 2019

#### Present:

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

#### Members of the Public:

1 plus District Cllr. Janice Loughlin

The meeting opened at 7.00pm.

1. **Apologies for Absence.** Essex County Cllr. Ray Gooding.
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.**  
Mr. Matthew Robinson, chairman and trustee of Ugley Village Hall said he has set the date for the Ugley Village fete for 27 June 2020. Mr Robinson has Submitted a request to UDC for a road closure from 9am–9pm, it usually takes around 6 – 8 weeks before receiving an answer.  
Mr. Robinson said he would be happy to allow Ugley Parish Council to be part of the Ugley Village Hall webpage. Mr. Robinson will send the details to the Parish Clerk.
4. **Signing of the Minutes**  
The minutes of the meeting held on 9 September 2019 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
5. **District Cllr. Janice Loughlin's Report.**  
Three members of R4U, Cllr's Paul Fairhurst, Barbara Light and Anthony Gerard, have defected to the Green Party. All three Councillors held prominent cabinet positions; a re-shuffle is to be held at an extraordinary meeting, on 31 October 2019.

Stansted Airport planning application was conditionally approved in November 2018, but because of concerns that the conditions laid down by the Planning Committee in November 2018 have not been met, final approval, could not be granted, so it was officially still pending. UDC had made the decision at a meeting on 30 June 2019 to refer the 2018 Stansted Airport planning application back to the Planning Committee for further consideration. It was

still unclear however, as to whether the whole of the Stansted Airport planning application is to be referred back to the Planning Committee or just the section 106 agreement. UDC is to hold a meeting with Manchester Airport Group (MAG) regarding new negotiations on the section 106 agreement.

Cllr. Loughlin said in her opinion a vote had been taken on the planning application itself and had been agreed, it was therefore wrong to take another vote.

Cllr. Loughlin said the draft Local Plan should be returned to UDC from the Inspectors with their comments, by the end of October 2019.

There had been some unfortunate bad press lately, regarding Councillors And Officers not seeing eye to eye at UDC.

## 6. **Planning Application**

a) **UTT/19/2316/LB** Removal of rear kitchen window and replace with French doors. Remove 2 internal walls to create large kitchen. Bunnies Hop, Ugley Green. **No Comment.**

b) **UTT/19/2514/LB** Single storey side extension and side dormer. Admiralty House, Pound Lane, Ugley. **No Comment.**

**Cllr. Shutes left the room.**

c) **UTT/19/2266/OP** Erection of up to 220 dwellings including affordable housing with public open space, structural planting, landscaping and SuDS with access from Bedwell Road. Land North of Bedwell Road and East of Old Mead Road, Ugley.

**Henham Parish Council had commissioned Geoff Gardener to compose a report objecting to this application. Elsenham Parish Council is paying one third of the fee. It was agreed in principle that Ugley Parish Council would also pay a third. The Parish Clerk is to contact Henham Parish Council to find out the full amount of the invoice.**

**Cllr. Shutes re-entered the room.**

d) **UTT/19/1233/OP** Erection of 4 new houses with provision of allotments and new road access. North Hall Farm, North Hall Road, Ugley. **Gone to Appeal.**

## **Decisions made by UDC**

e) **UTT/19/1965/FUL** Demolition of dwellings and construction of 2 replacement dwellings including alterations to access. 1 & 2 Ugley Hall Cottages, Ugley Road. **Approved.**

## 7. **Clerk's Report**

Cllr. Pryor agreed to become an authorised signature for Ugley Parish Council.

The bench on Cambridge Road near the Village Hall has been assessed. It would not be cost effective to repair the bench. The Parish Clerk is to obtain costing for a new bench. It was agreed if a new bench was purchased it would be installed on the Village Green. The plaque on the original bench would be transferred over.

It was agreed to purchase an Asus VivoBook 15.6in Pentium 4G laptop, price £329.99.

The Parish Clerk had obtained one quote for a new website of £576 plus £17 per month. It was agreed to join the Ugley Village Hall website.

The Parish Clerk will circulate all Councillors contact details.

The Parish Council meeting dates for 2020 were circulated.

It was agreed to renew the membership to Campaign to Protect Rural England, at a cost of £36.

## 8. Financial Report

Cashflow – Circulated

Balance brought forward	<u>£7,650.66</u>
<u>Precept</u>	<u>£3,050.00</u>
BACS L Johnson	£ 24.36
BACS L Johnson	£ 580.80
BACS Inland Revenue	£ 145.20
BACS The Link	£ 55.00
BACS M Burke Landscaping	£ 45.00
BACS Hilbery Trust	£ 160.00
Total debits	£1,010.36
<b>New Balance</b>	<b>£9,690.30</b>

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

A resident in Elsenham is currently collecting crisp packets in a wheelie bin outside thier house. This is for the Terracycle crisp packet recycling scheme. Cllr. Reay thought this was a good idea, and a similar operation could be set up in Ugley. Cllr. Reay is going to contact the Elsenham resident for further details.

Cllr. Powter had downloaded a new phone app which should advise on local planning application, unfortunately, the app did not work correctly. All the other Councillors use UDC's website.

Cllr. Powter asked where all the historic minutes were stored for Ugley Parish Council; the Parish Clerk said they were presently kept at her home. The Parish Clerk is to research the possibility of storing documents at the Essex Record Office in Chelmsford.

Cllr. Loughlin informed members that she would be attending a meeting with Rissa Long (Essex Highways) on the 7 November 2019. Councillors are welcome to attend. Cllr. Shutes asked Cllr. Loughlin if she would report the broken kerb stones at the junction to Patmore Field by the Chequers and the hedge which is encroaching on to the pavement on Bedwell Road,

- 13.** The meeting finished at 8.40pm.

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

Signed