

Ugley Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 16 January 2017

Present; Cllr. Nick Shutes (Chairman), Cllr. David Cross (Vice-Chairman), Cllr. Betty Francis, Cllr. David Hilton, Cllr. Jean Reay, Cllr. Tony Turner and Mrs. L Johnson (Parish Clerk).

Members of the Public: Councillor Janice Loughlin

The meeting opened at 7.00pm.

1. **Apologies for Absence** – Cllr. Roger Pryor.
2. **Declarations of Interest** – None.
3. The minutes of the meeting held on the 12 December 2016, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
4. Cllr. Shutes informed the meeting that he had inspected the footpath along Batts Row, and had found only one plant protruding onto the path, this may increase with the spring and summer growth. Cllr. Turner is to contact the Parish Clerk if he requires a letter to be sent to the resident, asking if they would kindly cut this plant back.
5. **District Councillor J Loughlin**
Cllr. Loughlin reported on the UDC New Local Plan. All meetings regarding the new plan, should, like all other meetings, be open to all Councillors and the public. UDC however are going to hold meetings with only the three political leaders and officers, then the discussions and conclusions of these meetings will be cascaded down to other District Councillors. Cllr. Loughlin was strongly opposed to this.
The two District Councillors for Elsenham and Henham have resigned. An Election to fill both vacancies is to take place on 16 February 2017. So far the candidates standing are Jo Rich, and Alexis Beeching, for the Conservatives, Lorraine Flawn and Sinead Holland, for Lib Dems.
Cllr. Loughlin said she would report the dangerous unlit post, in the middle of the road at the junction of Sworders Auctioneers on the B1383. This has been reported by the Parish Clerk, Parish Councillors and County Cllr. Ray Gooding, and it has still not been repaired by Highways.
6. **County Councillor Ray Gooding**
County Cllr. Gooding was not present.
7. **Clerk's Report**
The Parish Clerk informed the meeting that the public footpath figure post in Pound Lane had been repainted. Both the 'Ugley' sign and the blocked drain on the B1383 had been reported to Highways.

Cllr. Turner reported the '50' speed limit sign on the right hand side of Pound Lane, had been knocked down and was now lying in the Village Hall grounds, the Parish Clerk is to report this to Highways.

8. Plans Application

Decisions made by Uttlesford District Council

- a) **UTT/16/2773/HHF** Demolition of rear lean-to extension and erection of single storey rear timber orangery extension. Ugley Hall, Ugley Road, Ugley. **Withdrawn.**
- b) **UTT/16/3310/OP** Outline application with all matters reserved except for access for removal of existing buildings and erection of 2 new dwellings. Site south of Chestnut Cottage, Cambridge Road, Ugley. **Withdrawn.**
- c) **UTT/16/2902/FUL** Continued use of garage for car repair and spraying. Woodlands Bungalow, North Hall Road, Ugley. **Approved.**

9. Financial Report

Precept Proposal Ugley Parish Council asks UDC for £6,144 plus a grant of £106 totalling a precept of £6250 for the financial year ending 31 March 2018. Cllr. N Shutes proposed, the vote was carried unanimously.

10. Financial Report

Cash flow circulated, there were no questions.

Balance carried forward £7,435.02

BACS	M Burke	£ 50.00
BACS	L Johnson	£ 33.51
BACS	L Johnson	£ 538.07
BACS	HMRC	£ 134.60
Total Payments		£ 756.18

New Balance £6,678.84

Represented by

Community Account	£ 603.52
Business Premium Account	£6,075.32
Total	£6,678.84

Payment requiring authorisation;

BACS	M Burke	£ 50.00
BACS	L Johnson	£ 538.07
BACS	L Johnson	£ 33.51
BACS	HMRC	£ 134.60
101029	Ugley Village Hall	£ 96.00

11. Any other Business (no decisions can lawfully be made under this item).

Cllr. Turner said he was pleased that the vans, which had been parking on the grass verge by the telephone box, had now completed their work, as they had churned up the grass, which he hoped would recover over time.

Cllr. Loughlin said the owner of the disused Public House, The Three Colts on Cambridge Road, had submitted a planning application to build flats.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.40pm

Next Meeting; Monday 27 February 2017 at 7.00pm, to be held in the Ugley Village Hall.

Signed

Chairman