

Ugley Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 10 April 2017

Present

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

Members of the Public:

County Cllr. Ray Gooding and District Cllr. Janice Loughlin.

The meeting opened at 8pm

1. **Apologies for Absence** – None.
2. **Declarations of Interest** – None.
3. The minutes of the meeting held on the 27 February 2017 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
4. **District Councillor's report – Cllr. Janice Loughlin.**
Cllr. Loughlin had nothing further to report.
5. **County Councillor's report – Cllr. Ray Gooding.**
Cllr. Gooding had nothing further to report.
6. **Clerk's report**
The repairs to the red telephone box on Ugley Green have been carried out, it has also been added to the list of kiosks to be repainted as soon as possible.
The repainting of the three figure signs post, 'Dellows Lane', Snakes Lane' and 'Field Gate Lane' is still ongoing. The Clerk advised the Council that the posts are rotten, and may soon need replacing.
7. **Planning Applications**
 - a) **UTT/17/0492/HHF** Proposed two storey extension to northeast corner of the property. The Maltings, Vicarage Lane, Ugley. **No Comment.**
 - b) **UTT/17/0642/LB** Historic beams within the front living room, dining room and bedroom to be cleaned using the dry ice method. Hollyhocks, Patmore End, Ugley Road, Ugley. **No Comment.**
 - c) **UTT/17/0931/HHF** Demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey extension. Park Lodge, Ugley Green, Snakes Lane, Ugley. **No Comment**
 - d) The 'Network Rail Essex and other crossing reduction orders'. **No Comment.**
8. **Financial Report**
Cashflow – Circulated

As the 'Business Premium' account no longer gains any interest, it was agreed to close this account and transfer the funds over to the 'Community' account. It was agreed to renew the membership to EALC at an annual payment of £140.75.

Payments requiring authorisation;

BACS	L Johnson	£ 538.58
BACS	HMRC	£ 134.60

Statement balance B/F	£6663.52
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Payments

BACS L Johnson	£ 538.58
BACS HMRC	£ 134.60

Total	£ 673.18
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Balance	£5990.34
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Represented by

Community account	£ 115.02
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Business Premium account	£5875.32
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Grand Total	£5990.34
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9. **Any other Business** (no decisions can lawfully be made under this item).

Cllr. Turner informed the Council that a member of the public had cut back some laurel trees from his father's property and put them in the Parish Council's pond; unfortunately, Cllr. Turner has not been able to contact the person. The Parish Clerk is to arrange for the trees to be removed.

Lorries are still using Ugley Green as a short cut to Elsenham, and are causing deep ruts in the verges.

There are two large pot holes in Pound Lane, the Parish Clerk to report them to Highways.

Cllr. Turner asked if the grass contractors, M D Landscapes, would add the grass verge around his property to their contract. Cllr. Turner has been cutting this himself but at present is unable to do so.

Cllr. Shutes reported that the 'litter picking' day had been very successful.

The meeting closed at 9pm

Next Meeting is the Annual Parish Council Meeting on 22 May 2017 at 7.00pm, in the Ugley Village Hall.

Signed

Chairman