

## Ugley Parish Council

### Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 10 September 2018

#### Present:

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

**Members of the Public: 3, including**  
Essex County Cllr. Ray Gooding  
District Cllr. Janice Loughlin.

The meeting opened at 7.00pm.

1. Cllr. N Shutes welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Apologies for Absence** Cllr. David Hilton.
2. **Declarations of Interest** None.
3. **Signing of the Minutes**  
The minutes of the meeting held on 9 July 2018 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
4. **District Cllr. Janice Loughlin report**  
Cllr. Loughlin had chaired the recent Uttlesford's Planning Committee meeting. There has been an increase in planes flying over this area, this is due to technical problems with the satnavs; this could take up to one year to be fixed. Uttlesford are still assessing all the documents for the Stansted Airport Planning Application, despite that, it has now been referred to The Secretary of State, and therefore, the decision may be taken out of Uttlesford's hands. Bovis Homes in Hall Road, Elsenham, are putting in a Full Planning application by the end of the year for 126 houses. A decision on the Fairfield's application is due either at October's or November's planning meeting.

As Cllr. Ray Gooding had not arrived, it was agreed to move the agenda items.

5. **Clerk's Report**  
**Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)**  
Newport Parish Council has invited Ugley Parish, plus Wendens Ambo, Widdington, Arkesden, Wicken Bonhunt, Clavering, Debden and Quendon and Rickling to consider joining them in applying for a PCSO, co funded by UDC. Newport PC would be paying the lion's share of the expense. A PCSO cost £20,000 per year; they work 35 hours per week, morning and evenings, no nights. The PCSO would be based at Saffron Walden and could be called away for emergencies. The

PCSO would report back to Mr. T Scott, who is the supervising officer based at Saffron Walden, the parishes would receive feedback on their activities. If Ugley Parish Council agreed to contribute £1,000, the PCSO would spend one and three quarter hours per week in Ugley; this is including the traveling time to and from Saffron Walden.

After much discussion it was agreed not to participate.

Cllr. Laughlin has once again given £500 of her Ward Members Initiative money to Ugley Parish Council. The Council has until January to decide on what project to spend it on.

The bus shelter on the B1381 near to the Village Hall is in need of repair. It was agreed the roof should be replaced with red concrete tiles. Mr Mick Burke is going to prepare a quote.

The path along the B1381 from the Chequer's public house to the first house going towards Stansted gets very overgrown. It is the responsibility of Essex Highways to cut this path twice a year. This year however, it had only been cut at the beginning of spring and it had become so overgrown that people were unable to use it. The Parish Clerk arranged for Hilberys to cut it back. It was agreed as a matter of safety to add this path to next year's grass cutting contract.

#### **County Cllr. Ray Gooding arrived**

The Parish Clerk handed out a report from Stansted Parish Council on traffic problems in the centre of their village, which had been discussed at a recent meeting with Highways.

#### **6. County Cllr. Ray Gooding's report**

##### **Road resurfacing programme to Dellows Lane**

Mr. Robinson who lives in Dellows Lane, explained to the Council how, since 2013 he had been trying to get Highways to carry out repairs on Dellows Lane. Mr. Robinson presented photographs of the dreadful state of the road, plus correspondence over the years with Highways and Councillor Bentley. On Highways web site it states that Dellows Lane is due to be repaired between January and March 2019. Mr. Robinson is concerned that by January 2019, Highways will run short of money for that financial year and Dellows Lane road surfacing will, once again, be cancelled, as this has happened before. Mr Robinson had been advised to go to the Local Council ombudsman, or instigate proceedings against Essex Council under section 56 of the 1980 Highway Act.

Cllr. Gooding sympathised with Mr. Robinson, but said it was difficult to get this lane high on Highways agenda, as it was not a major road. Cllr. Gooding said he had already brought it to the attention of the director of Highways. Cllr. Gooding asked Mr. Robinson to give him two weeks to look into it and organise the work; Cllr. Loughlin said she would also help.

Cllr. Shutes said that if Mr. Robinson had not received any positive information by the next Parish Council meeting, which is on 29 October 2018, the Parish Council will take constructive steps.

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Cllr. Gooding said that phase 3 fibre broadband with network operator Gigaclear is currently rolling out in the Uttlesford district; causing many road closures and problems for Highways.

**7. Planning Application**

**UTT/18/2330/FUL** Demolish of existing outbuildings and erection of a new dwelling. Rear of Little Hudsons Lodge, Field Gate Lane. **No objection.**

**UTT/18/2190/LB** Retention of existing side carport extension. 7 The Square, Cambridge Road, Ugley. **Not in keeping with a listed building.**

**UTT/18/2391/LB** Installation of replacement windows. Carters Barn, North Hall Road, Ugley. **No Objection.**

**New speed limits on B1383. No Comment.**

**Decisions made by Uttlesford District Council**

**UTT/18/1422/LB** Demolition of existing lean-to conservatory and erection of single storey extension. Re-thatching, re-rendering, repairs and internal alterations. Little Buckland, Ugley Green, Ugley. **Approved.**

**UTT/18/1612/FUL** Construction of 1 detached dwelling and garage with room in roofspace. Land adjacent Maughans, Field Gate Lane, Ugley. **Refused.**

**UTT/18/1757/HHF** Demolition of existing rear conservatory and erection of single storey side extension and two storey rear extension. Oak Beams, Cambridge Road, Ugley. **Approved.**

**8. Financial Report**

- Cashflow – Circulated
- Payments requiring authorisation;

BACS	Hilbery Turf	£ 90.00	cut on 11 July 2018
BACS	Norton Antivirus	£ 54.99	
BACS	Cloud Storage	£ 40.00	
BACS	L Johnson	£ 16.58	
BACS	Hilbery Turf	£ 90.00	22 August
BACS	Hilbery Turf	£108.00	path on B183
101033	Amenity Services	£600.00	Oak Tree
101034	Jean Reay	£ 48.90	

Balance brought forward £8,033.46

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101033	Amenity Services	£600.00

Total	£999.57
Balance carried forward	£7,033.89

The second part of the precept had been transferred into the bank account today, making a total of £10,033.89.

9. **Any other Business** (no decisions can lawfully be made under this item).  
Cllr. Francis had received a visit from Alan Dean, he had complained about the footpath in Vicarage Lane, saying that there was barbwire along the fence by the corner of the Church; also there was barbwire on the stile on the footpath by the Lodge.  
Cllr. Shutes said he would inspect the paths.

Cllr. Turner informed members that he had received a letter from Gigaclear that the road through Ugley Green would be closed for two weeks.

Next meeting is on Monday 29 October 2018 at 7.00pm, in the Ugley Village Hall.

Signed