

UFFINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 16th August, 2017 at 8 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllr. D. Babbs – Chairman, Cllr. K. Mulvaney, Cllr. K. Genever, Cllr. N. Sheehan, Cllr. P. Genever. & Dist. Cllr. K. Woolley.

Apologies – Cllr. B. Brown, Cllr. A. Dodsworth & Cllr. K. Cooke.

Public present: Mrs. M. Nicholls, Mr. T. Lennon, Mr. & Mrs. B. Church and Mr. R. Yates.

There were no envisaged **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

MATTERS ARISING

Defibrillator – Cllr. Mulvaney had obtained all information regarding this and that the purchase would be 100% funded but the electric connection will have to be funded by the Parish Council. Cllr. Mulvaney stated that when the application was finalised she would talk to Katie & James Genever, owners of the Bertie Arms, to organise installation.

Uffington Road Sign – Cllr. Sheehan had investigated the cost and installation of a new sign on the entrances to the village but the cost would be over £1700. which was considered too expensive. He was thanked for his effort.

Play area – The fencing around the toddlers area is awaiting completion as the contractor had failed to do what was asked of him and all the available palings were used up. It was agreed to buy the 70 extra palings needed from Mr. Keith Morris, Timber merchant in Honeypot Lane, Colsterworth. Cllr. K. Genever had contacted Mr. Morris who had agreed to supply these palings at £1.50 each rather than the normal £2.20. These would be available during week commencing 21st August. Cllr. K. Genever stated that she would collect them from Colsterworth and deliver them to Cllr. Mulvaney for name burning. Cllr.K. Genever was thanked for her work on this project.

Cllr. Brown has organised an inspection of the play area for insurance purposes for Thursday, 28th September time to be confirmed.

Newstead Corner - This now been cleared of weeds and rubbish, but more still needs to be done further up the road towards the town. This to be reported to the Big Clean project .

Footpath 917 around edge of school field – Mrs. Nicholls had contacted LCC Enviromental Services regarding the state of this footpath and they had replied stating that this route was classified as a Priority 2 and would be resolved by 29th September, 2017. She was thanked for her interest.

The Big Clean - Dist. & C. Cllr. Woolley advised the Clerk to register for the Big Clean so that when contacted can report any areas around Uffington needing attention.

Mr. B. Church and his poorly wife had brought to the meeting many complaints he had regarding safety for disabled persons and prams and pushchairs. Such as cars parking on footpaths, residents dustbins left on footpaths, overhanging bushes and trees, and on the one way system road debris and SKDC rubbish bins on footpaths. All his concerns to be put

in T & S in the hope that his concerns can be addressed. These items can be reported to the Big Clean Team when we know when they are in this area.

Dog Fouling on Play Area – Another notice has been put in T & S regarding this problem

CORRESPONDENCE

AON Insurance had contacted the Parish Council stating that their involvement with Local Councils has ceased and that arrangements for renewal invitations will be from BHIB Ltd. The changes have no impact on the Parish Council Insurance and we will be contacted 3 weeks before our current policy expires.

LCC have advised us of a Community Wildlife Grant in the region of up to £500. A suggestion at the meeting was for hedge and tree plants for the play area. This to be looked into.

PLANNING

Refusal of Planning permission for

S17/0421 – Erection of two dwellings and access – land between 9 & 21 Main Road. – T. Lennon.

Planning permission for

S17/0633 – Construction of a 12000 bird extension to Free Range Egg Production Unit The Pheasantries Casewick Park (Tallington)

S17/1275 – Removal of 1 Pine Tree 85 Main Road, J. Connington.

The following applications were discussed and comments made.

S17/ 1244 - Erection of s. storey Ext. St. Michael and all Angels

The Parish Council's following comments had already been submitted after a site visit, but SKDC be informed that the objection to this application was not a unanimous one from the Parish Council.

- The proposed extension would unnecessarily destroy the symmetry of the Church
- Taking into account the level of attendance and size of the building there should be ample room for siting additional amenities internally.
- The small church of St. Georges Stamford had successfully installed their amenities internally.
- Suggested internal sites could be within the vestry and internally at the north west corner.

Mr. R. Yates of the PCC stated that all avenues had been explored and the proposed extension had been approved by English Heritage the Lincoln Diocese and advice had also been taken from SKDC Planning.

S17/1452 – Erection of single storey front and side extension, 20 Greatford Road, E.Wilkins

The Parish Council felt that they could not comment on this application due to the difficulty in deciphering the plans submitted. SKDC be contacted to ask for more understandable plans to be submitted.

S17/1384 – Proposed ext. to dwelling, 3 Main Road – J. Hartley

The Parish Council objected to this application due to its over development and positioned on the front of the site coming virtually to the road side boundary.

S17/1319 – Erection of outbuilding, 11 School Lane – C . Riddle

No objection.

SKDC Planning Dept. be asked to check the details of the development at No.1 Main Road where considerable work appears to be taking place in the adjoining paddock.

ACCOUNTS

Erection Fence on Play Area - B. Freeham - £540.00

70 Paling to complete above fencing - K. Morris - £126.00

Gate for fence around toddlers play area - CWG - £60.00

(This £726.00 will be withdrawn from our Melton M.B.S. A/c and paid back into the Parish Council Current A/c as the MMBS account is held for work on the Play Area)

2 Grass Cuttings - C. Harris - £100.00

Litter Picker - F. Barratt - £65.00

Anglian Water – Allotments - £49.83

Payment of the above bills were approved by Cllr. P. Genever and Seconded by Cllr. Sheehan.

Account balances before the above are taken out C/A £1059.01 D/A £6275.35.

Cllr. P. Genever stated that as the Clerk had decided to retire at the end of March 2018 after 40 years it was decided to put an advert in Towers and Spires advertising the vacancy to allow for a hand over period.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The refurbishment of the Village Sign was again discussed and it was agreed the Cllr. K & P Genever would take the sign down to ascertain its condition and then decided what to do and who to ask to repair it if necessary.

Cllr. Brown had been asked whether the tree outside 11 Lindsey Road could be trimmed. Highways had been contacted who confirmed it was their responsibility and would get it inspected as soon as possible and report back.

Mr. P. Hirst be contacted and ask him to trim back his trees on the Greatford Road to allow for the street light to illuminate that area.

Cllr. K. Genever was concerned about the small posts and chain that are broken around the Bertie Lane Bungalows. She volunteered to remove these and put them in store with the arm off the sign post at Croft Farm. Dist. Cllr. K. Cooke be notified of this and also be contacted regarding the problems with parking on Bertie Lane.

LCC Highways be contacted again regarding the Ash tree growing out of the parapet on the east side of our Ancient Monument River Bridge.

Date of next meeting Wednesday, 27th September, 2017 at 8 p.m.

Meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.