

MINUTES OF UPTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 8th NOVEMBER
2016
7.0pm

PRESENT

- Chair. J Allan. Vice Ch. D Spittlehouse. P Rushton. P Fotheringham. JAlsop. L Alsop. T Hall. Clerk L Holman. Cllr. J Milne.

APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

- All present.

A minutes silence was held for former Parish Councillor John Smart.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- D Spittlehouse (Clerks wages).

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL FROM MEETING HELD 13th SEPTEMBER

- Minutes were approved and signed by Chair. J Allan.

PUBLIC TIME

- There were no members of the public present, T Hall used this time to comment on the fly tipping on Cow Lane. It is now all clear and is looking good.
- Cllr J Milne spoke of her concerns in the Guildhall and how there is a lot of unrest in the work force, with many members of staff leaving. She also referred to the devolution vote and that it wouldn't be the best move for West Lindsey.
- D Spittlehouse publicly thanked J Milne for speaking on behalf of the residents of Upton re-planning meeting for pig rearing units.

MATTERS ARISING

- Information regarding B.T. and registering with them if anyone has an interest for Super fast broadband to go in the next newsletter.
- Street light fixed and new litter bin in place near Cow Lane.

SPEED SIGNS

- A meeting was held on the 27th October between J Allan and R Gore where they discussed the speeding situation through Upton and Kexby. Various signs were discussed but not clear yet which to go for. R Gore is comparing prices and another meeting will be held. The councillors will be informed of any progress. Meanwhile the Clerk to order 40, 30mph wheelie bin stickers to support the 30mph progressive signs which are already on order. D Spittlehouse

urged for this to go ahead as soon as possible.

PRECEPT

- Discussed what financial needs would be for the precept year. Grass cutting needs to be taken into account this time. Clerk to get a few quotes. D Gelder was one suggested. £1500 was the figure estimated for allowance in the precept.
- J Allan to call Alan Robinson of WLDC for advice on precept and what an increase would mean to Upton. £8.000 was a ball park figure to apply for.

NEWSLETTER

Distribution of newsletter and any other flyers was discussed. An amended list to be made.

VILLAGE HALL

- 20 people attended the first Flix in the Stix, refreshments was a sell out.
- £8326.57 in the investment account. £1927.83 in Current as at 28th August.
- Don Spittlehouse replacing T Hall at next meeting.
- The pothole that is outside the exit near the ramp was brought up, J Allan to ask Mark Irving is any progress is being made on this. The overgrown hedge was also brought up on the side of the playing field, P Rushton to bring this up at next playing field meeting.

FINANCE

- Clerks salary of £158.95 plus £38.83 expenses was agreed.
- Balance in bank as at 1st November. £4.910.80.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Christmas lights not working on holly tree in church yard, P Rushton asked if he could purchase another set. All agreed.
- It was mentioned about the scarecrow festival which is being held in the Methodist Chapel gardens and how it will enhance the Christmas village scene.
- A sympathy card to be sent on behalf of the parish councillors to C Smart, clerk to purchase and send.

Being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20.pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING IS 10th JANUARY 2017.