## UPPER CLATFORD PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES FROM THE (VIRTUAL) ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2020

AT 7.30 PM OVER ZOOM

MINUTES REMAIN A DRAFT UNTIL AGREED AS A CORRECT RECORD AT THE NEXT MEETING

Present:	Parish Cllrs P Heslop (Chairman), R Bennett, D Coole (from item 6), C Eyre, H Folkard-Tapp, A
	Lockhart, S Kennedy, N Shah, C Williams, TVBC Cllr M Flood, HCC Cllr A Gibson
	Minutes – C Emmett, Parish Clerk
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1	Apologies for Absence Cllr Wilson. Cllr Coole had stated he might be late.						
2	To receive and accept declarations of interest Cllr Coole, item 12.4. He will not vote on award of contracts.						
3	Public Participation 1 member of the public until item 7. A further member of the public joined at						
4	item 7.  To approve the minutes from the (virtual) Meeting held on 14th October 2020 Cllr Eyre proposed						
	acceptance of the minutes, seconded by Cllr Lockhart: Approved by all.						
5	To receive the Clerk's progress report since the meeting held on 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2020 11.2. Payments. Pay invoices Complete 11.2. Defibrillator. Order spares Ordered 24 Nov 20. Complete 11.3. Solar Farm. Raise FOI on TVBC re communications not already in public domain. (Cllrs Heslop and Eyre) Complete 12.3. BBPF. Order signs. On order. Complete 12.4.a & b. Sports Field. Equipment disposal and discussions re cost contributions. Cllr Coole. Pending 12.4.c. Sports Field Cess Pit. Order fencing work Complete Work scheduled for 14 Dec 20. Complete 12.4.d. Sports Field Double Glazing & Facias. Re-visit quotes. Complete 13.1. Grounds Maintenance (Brook Way Bottom) Invite TVBC to do clearance work as quoted. Complete 13.2.b. Water Quality Monitoring Pillhill Brook. Cost professional testing. Email sent 2 Dec. 5						
	Rivers moving premises. Not able to quote or advise until Feb 21. Complete  13.3. Litter Signs. Obtain quote (Cllr Heslop) Complete  17.1. Grant application Taskers Heritage Plaque and Tree guard. Complete.  Subsequent Clerk Taskings.  16 Nov. Chairman. Submit FOI request to TVBC re Solar Farm. Submitted 18 Nov 20 Complete  16 Nov. Chairman & Planning Committee Chair. Submit FOI re Camping and Caravanning site at Watery Lane. Submitted 18 Nov 20. Complete						
6	Planning –						
	<ol> <li>Planning Committee to report on applications Cllr Shah asked to take the item on Copthall place at the end of the applications which were then taken as follows:         <ul> <li>a. 20/02927/FULLN 1 Saxley Farm. Erection of building, to provide garage &amp; annexe. No objection to be submitted.</li> <li>b. 20/02831/FULLN Ash Grove, Upper Clatford. Demolish conservatory, replace with 2 storey rear extn and single storey side extn orangery. No objection to be submitted.</li> <li>c. 20/02920/FULLN Sycamore, Upper Clatford. Re-render, replace dormers and windows, replace extension, recover parking area, replace garage doors, new boiler fanned flue. No objection to be submitted with comment regarding heritage value of sash windows and possible need of a bat survey.</li> <li>d. 20/02809/TREEN Bury Hill Farmhouse. Remove yew. Comment in response submitted 27 Nov 20 to the effect there may be merit in nurturing the older and larger yew tree by felling the</li> </ul> </li> </ol>						
	slightly smaller, leaning yew tree, but it is recognised that the smaller tree appears neither in danger of falling imminently or in ill health. It may nevertheless become less stable as it continues to grow and its removal now would probably strengthen the larger tree. TVBC will be best able to offer a professional opinion.'  e. 20/02765/FULLN Copthall Place. Part demolition and rebuild, single storey side, rear and first floor extensions. (to TVBC by 11 Dec 20). Cllr Shah summarised divided views received to date. Following further discussion, the Clerk was requested to submit an objection based on: Design. While agreeing that a replacement extension could be an enhancement the proposed design seeks to contrast with the existing character of the property. This is not in line with the principles set out in the now Referendum Ready NDP, which calls for complimentary styling and materials to existing buildings; Bat Survey. There are known to be bats in the area and therefore a survey is probably needed.						
	<ol><li>Heritage Asset Listing (Cllr Heslop). Farleigh School hope a meeting (probably virtual) will be possible early in the New Year at which time the views of the School Governors might be known.</li></ol>						
	3. Watery Lane Planning Cllr Bennett summarised: There is currently no planning application lodged with TVBC and the Temporary Stop Order expired on 27 Nov. The owner has removed the unauthorised aggregate from all but the agreed first 19 metres access strip from the roadway.						

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	The Camping & Caravanning Club are an exempt organisation and can licence the plot to be used					
	as a site for use by up to 10 x tents and 5 x caravan. This would not include permanent structures					
	for operational development (office, waste disposal tank etc) which would require planning					
	permission and should be expected. TVBC will consider such an application if received from the					
_	owner and points raised by the council, as covered in the NDP, and local landowners.					
7	Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group Report					
	1. Cllr Eyre stated that TVBC had issued the NDP Decision Statement on 9 Dec 20 which makes it a					
	document of 'material consideration' from a planning perspective. It will probably not be put to a					
	referendum due to COVID-19 until May 21. He would contact TVBC to ensure it is scheduled as soon as possible. He proposed a vote of thanks to David Nicholson, DJN Planning Ltd, who has	CCE				
	acted as our consultant throughout and been exceptional helpful. The Chairman agreed to write					
	to them expressing the Council's thanks. Cllr Eyre and Shah will also be writing to the Working	PH				
	Group volunteers.	CCE				
	<ol> <li>The Chairman thanked Cllr Eyre for leading the process with the Steering Group and noted that</li> </ol>					
	the task had led to additional volunteers who have now joined the Parish Council.					
8	Covid-19 Support (Group) Committee Cllr Bennett reported that the Support Group was still in					
	being and willing to help where required. Cllr Eyre suggested removing the COOVID banners. Not					
	agreed: They should remain in place for the time being.					
9	Borough Councillor to provide a monthly report					
9	Cllr Flood had circulated a report to all Cllrs before the meeting and spoke on the following:					
	a. Christmas events which would include the combined Christmas and Artisans market on Sun					
	13 Dec 20.					
	b. The Community Helpline which remains open until 23 Dec 20.					
	c. A government plan to house 500 young male asylum seekers in temporary accommodation					
	on the outskirts of Barton Stacey. This is not withing the purview of the local authority and wil					
	be decided nationally. Cllr Gibson spoke further on this stating that HCC were being					
	consulted but had no decision-making role. HCC were unhappy with the choice of site due to					
	its remoteness and lack of transport and feared refugees would be likely to walk along the					
	highway (A303) towards more urban facilities. d. Congratulated the Parish Council on the NDP achievements. Cllr Eyre then asked about					
	TVBCs plans on climate change mitigation and was informed that a Climate Change					
	Emergency had been declared. She referred him to the TVBC website and OSCOM.					
	2. Cllr Coole outlined:					
	a. Planning for COVID vaccinations					
	b. Christmas Cracker Hampers are available for those in need. Application/nomination forms					
	are available through Ward Cllrs					
	c. Andover Vision will be meeting on Thu 10 Dec 20, see their website.					
	3. Cllr Shah expressed the Councils thanks for the Heritage Rails grant awarded from the TVBC					
	Councillors Community Grants Award Scheme					
10	County Councillor to provide a monthly report					
	1. Cllr Gibson had circulated a report to all Cllrs before the meeting and spoke on the following:	1				
	<ul><li>a. Climate Change. This is a major effort for HCC, and he would focus on it in his next report.</li><li>b. Ray Jones will be filming at the Chilbolton Observatory in the next week or so and extras</li></ul>	AG				
	would be needed.					
	c. Flooding on Balksbury Bridge Road. Highways had agreed to investigate further.					
	2. The Chairman thanked Cllr Gibson to copying the Parish Council into his email regarding the					
	traffic accident on Salisbury Road at the junction with the road leading to Clatford Lodge. The PC					
	has previously recommended a reduced speed limit on this road to Highways with several other					
	areas for safety improvements.					
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4.4	The Chairman thanked both Cllr Flood and Cllr Gibson who left the meeting at this point.					
11	Finance: Finance:					
	1. To receive and approve the financial statement for 1 November 20 – 30 November 20.					
	Proposed by Cllr Bennett, seconded by Cllr Williams. Agreed by all.					
	2. To approve payments to be made:					
	a. Cheques to be raised / Card Payment authorised at meeting on Wed 9 Dec 2020					
	PV Chq No. Payee Amount					
	61 2194 DJN Planning Limited (NDP UCF08) £1,200.00					
	62 2194 DJN Planning Limited (NDP UCF09)) £535.25					
	63 2195 Groundlord Ltd £252.00					
	64 Card Bacs PV Heslop (Litter signs & paint) £71.34					
	65 2196 TVBC (GM 031 & 31a Apr-Sep20) £4,826.95					
	66 2197 R Bennett (Conservation Gp Grant) £100.00					
	67 2198 C Emmett (Salary, Overtime, Exp) £565.56					
	68 2199 HMRC (PAYE) £138.80					
	Card Payments/DD made since the last meeting					
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	PV58 23/11/2020 PV59 25/11/2020 PV 60 24-Nov		25/11/2020	Andover Rubber Stamp (COVID B Wel Medical (Defib Bty & pads)	£	234.20 2219.96	
		PV 60 24-Nov Microsoft (MS 365) £59.99					
	<ol> <li>Solar Farm – Community Funding Cllr Heslop summarised:         <ol> <li>The Parish Council are still pursuing the developer for the proposed Community Fund.</li> <li>A meeting with TVBC Hd of Planning had taken place on the matter to bring aspects of the case to their attention</li> <li>Kit Malthouse MP had been informed of the matter and had agreed to discuss it with the leader of TVBC.</li> </ol> </li> <li>The Planning Appeal may have been misled about the proposed funding.</li> </ol>						
	<ol> <li>The Planning Appeal may have been misled about the proposed funding.</li> <li>A FOI request has been submitted to TVBC on this seeking all records including records, correspondence and notes of discussions relating to Planning Application 14/00949/FULLN and the subsequent Appeal which are not already available on the TVBC website.</li> </ol>						
	4. Finance Committee Budget Recommendations						
	Proposal						
				proves the budget and precept rece eir Minutes of a Meeting on 19 Nov		ons recommended	
	1.	<ul><li>a. An inc</li><li>equate</li><li>b. A furth</li></ul>	rease in Precept by es to an annual inc ner contribution fror	udget recommendations highlighting: y 2.5% in line with anticipated/known rease of £0.60p per band D dwelling. m Parish funds of £4539.00. He explands below acceptable levels.			
	2.	The Chairn Pit refurbis	nan commented th hment. Cllr Coole	iture lines but increased provision thr at there was no recommendation for responded that no requirement had idered by a WG of the Cllrs Heslop, 0	an earmark, yet been ide	reserve for Chalk ntified or quantified	
		Coole then at Annex A.		vote on the proposal, seconded by C	Ollr Bennett.	Approved. Details	
12	Pla 1. 2. 3.	had inspec serviceable Anna Vall Conservati Balksbury a. New e	the Monthly Moni- ted BBPF and all ede. ey Playing Field. on Group has been Bridge Playing F entry and brook war	rning signs have been ordered.	s reported A'n the ivy on their list for 'r	VPF were trees and the inging'	
	4.	21 has		I for the May Fayre on Mon 3 May 21 Council agreed to the booking.	, with a fall t	oack of Sat 26 Jun	
		their g b. <b>Consi</b> with It	oal posts to facilita der Quotes for Re tem 13.1 due to co	work is scheduled for Mon 14 Dec 20 te this. Cllr Coole to liaise.  Efurbishment of the Pavilion Windommercial sensitivity) Cllr Coole in and would not vote. He proposed	ows. (To be	taken 'in camera'	DC
		exclud	de the public and	ce with the Public Bodies (Admiss press for discussion on the matte all. The Press and public were exclusion.	r due to its		
		the wo	orks on condition th avilion widows, gut	otes, it was agreed that the following tat they can be done by 15 Mar 21 to ter and facia: Alpha Glazing Ltd. A	ensure bill p	payment this FY	DC
			ovided prior to con arage facia and ro	of tie-in: K George			Clk
13	<b>Tre</b> 1.	Pes and Ope Possible La sensitivity) a. Counc	en Space and Acquisition (To . The press and pu ill should await plan	o be taken 'in camera' with Item 12.4 ublic remained excluded. It was agre nning considerations put to TVBC otions and report back at the next me	ed that:	mmercial	
	<ol> <li>3.</li> </ol>	Hedgerow preservation NDP which Grounds M	s Cllr Kennedy asi on of hedgerows wi o Cllr HF-T agreed	ked whether the Council might have in thin the parish. It was noted that the to flag to all. ok Way Bottom) TVBC have accep	deas for end re was an e	xtract on this in the	HF-T
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	4.	Water Quality Monitoring Pillhill Brook. Five Rivers in Salisbury have been approached but are					
	т.	unable to help or advise at this time due to re-location. There was concern that there were few					
	_	companies in the local area however HF-T agreed to investigate.					
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	_	Bury Hill Ring and in Red Rice.					
	6.	Dangerous Tree Branch at Brook Way Bottom. The owner of an adjacent property reported a					
		broken tree branch from the ash tree was in danger of dropping onto his garage /studio roof. This					
		was assessed and professionally removed for safety reasons. The tree surgeon suggested that					
		the ash may be suffering from die back and a quoted for its removal and trimming the adjacent					
		beech branches overhanging neighbouring property. Confirmation of the state of the ash and two					
		other quotes have been sought.					
	7.	Leaning Trees in Watery Lane. Cllr Bennett reported that the Conservation Group had been					
		approached and asked for help in removing a tree by Brambles Cottage but had declined as it was					
		a land owners responsibility. He was checking ownership.					
14	For	tpaths and Highways					
14	1.	Clirs to report any footpath issues					
	••	a. <b>Above Town Hedge</b> An anonymous letter writer has contacted the Clerk and Cllr Coole					
		requesting support to have a hedge trimmed in the ginnel / footpath between two properties					
		on the estate This has been looked into by the Clerk, Cllr Bennett and now Cllr Coole who					
		are keen to know the details of the letter writer so they may be given an update. Cllr Bennett					
		had spoken to the owner of the larger hedge and been assured it would be cut back.					
		b. Leaf Clearance. TVBC have responded to an ad hoc request and cleared the leaves from					
		the footpaths in Anna Valley and Sam Whites Hill.					
		c. Green Waste Sam Whites Hill. The Chairman reported branches stacked on the bank by					
		Sam Whites Hill. Previous investigations at neighbouring properties have suggested it may					
		have been left by a utility company working on overhead cables. Cllr Heslop would re-visit to	PH				
		determine cable ownership.					
		d. Green Waste near The Willows. Dumping of green waste into the hedge had been reported					
		in the area of The Willows, U Clatford. The Clerk was requested to write to the owner to	SIL				
		confirm if it was waste.	Clk				
	2.	Road Safety					
		a. Collision on Salisbury Rd / Clatford Lodge Lane 3 Dec 20. A collision of occurred at this					
		junction on 3 Dec 20. Cllr Gibson has escalated it to Highways. While this is in Abbotts Anne					
		parish, UCPC have previously written to Highways recommending a speed restriction be					
		imposed on this road at the junction Balksbury Hill Rd. It is hoped this will provide the					
		evidence of risk they require to take action.					
		b. <b>Speed Monitor.</b> Cllr Bennett reported that 99% of traffic recorded on Foundry Rd were					
		travelling at under 40mph.					
	2.	Report any street lighting issues Nil					
15		ernal Committees and Events					
13	1	Report on changes to the website					
		a. Nuisance Advertising Contacts. The Clerk reported almost daily advertisement contacts					
		through the website and may need to disable the contact page facility.					
		b. Updates. Cllr Eyre reported on updates he had made, particularly to the NDP items.					
	2	Clir Mrs Kennedy to report of upcoming events at the Village Hall Nothing to report.					
	3	Clirs to Report on other meetings					
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		a. Test Valley Association of Parish and Town Councils (TVAP&TC) meeting 26 Nov 20. Cllr					
		Coole had attended. Minutes will follow.					

## Correspondence and E mail The Clerk had circulated a list of correspondence including: 1. 16 Nov. Parishioner (via website). Oil in river by Asda. 2. 16 Nov. TVBC. Charlton Neighbourhood Plan - SEA consultation and additional Reg 16 consultation. Passed to CCE 17 Nov. zpfdooflvwn@gmail.com (via website). Lebron James signature sneakers. Junk email previously reported to HugoFox. 17 Nov. M Preedy. Hampshire Highways Enquiry 21466844 (cc) 18 Nov. TVBC. FOI x 2 acknowledgement 18 Nov. Dawsons. Land to east Watery Lane 18 Nov. Spenser. Land to east Watery Lane 19 Nov. Planning FOI. Freedom of Information request - no. 6291 - Solar Farm. Response due in 20 working days (16 Dec 20) 19 Nov. Planning FOI. Freedom of Information request - no. 6292 - Camping and Caravanning 10. 19 Nov. Planning FOI. Freedom of Information request - no. 6292 - Camping and Caravanning. Same day response. (Response due 20 working days, 17 Dec 20) 11. 19 Nov. Thruxtonroyal via website. engineering works on Watery Lane 12. 20 Nov. TVBC. Precept Council Tax Base (figs not yet available use last years) 13. 20 Nov. Abbotts Anne Resident (via Chairman). Dangerous Dead Tree. Branch removed. 14. 20 Nov. C&CC via NS. Camping and Caravanning Club - latest info 15. 21 Nov. Resident S O'C. Work in the field off Watery Lane. Responded 16. 24 Nov. Welmed. Order received. Goods arrived and passed to JC for fitting 17. 25 Nov. Q3. Maintenance Works - Upper Clatford Sports Field 18. 25 Nov. London Hearts. Parish and Town Councils £200 grant. Prompts Chair to ask for defib item on the next agenda. 19. 25 Nov. KJM. Windows and roofline / guttering 20. 25 Nov. RW. Updated estimate for Post and rail fencing. Will do work on 14 Dec. 21. 25 Nov. Groundlord. BWB ash and beech condition and quote. Copied to RB and AL. Further quotes sought. 22. 1 Dec. TVBC (SH). Upper Clatford NP progress update and amendments needed. 23. 1 Dec. Parishioner LG. Watery Lane works. 24. 1 Dec. Parishioner TB. Watery Lane work 25. 1 Dec. TVBC. Revised Register of Electors for Test Valley Borough Council 2020/21 26. 2 Dec. TVBC. Cowdown Solar Farm. Discussion with former officer. 27. 20 Nov & 4 Dec. P Dewberry (field.gov.uk). Census 2021 - Seeking support to spread the Census Message. This is going to be a 'digital-first' census, and so we are aiming for 75% of people to complete the Census online. This obviously brings challenges for people with low digital skills or access to the internet, so I am very keen to spread the message "If you can, please offer help to family and friends who need help filling out the Census." 28. 5 Dec. GreenJT67@gmail.com. Website misspelling. Page unknown. Sender email address undeliverable. **Projects** 17 Old Taskers Railing Heritage Plaque and Tree Guard. A TVBC Councillor Community Grant has been approved. Footpath to Goodworth Clatford. Cllr Wilson will be arranging to meet and plan possible routes with Goodworth Clatford. **Defibrillator**. Cllr Heslop suggested that a third defibrillator might be worthwhile in the parish at the Anna Valley end to augment those at the Village Hall and in Highbury Rd. This was generally considered worthwhile, but a site was not finalised, or purchase agreed. Councillors to request any items to be included within the agenda for the Meeting to be held Wednesday 13th January 2020

Property Purchase Working Group Report

Property Purchase/Maintenance Reserve/Earmark

## **APPROVED BUDGET FOR FY 21/22**

Expenditure	Budget £	Income	Budget £
Office Expenses	£700.00	Precept	£16,070.00
Clerk Salary (Gross)	£6,810.00	Bank Interest	£2.00
Training	£500.00	Chalk Pit Rent	£10,594.00
Councillor Expenses	£250.00	Grants	£0.00
Legal Fees	£1,000.00	Website Sponsorship	£0.00
Insurance	£1,155.00	Pav. Running Cost Contributions	£0.00
Audit Charges	£465.00	Section 106 / CIL	£0.00
Section 137	£200.00	VAT Repayment	£3,000.00
Grounds Maintenance	£8,400.00	Miscellaneous Income	£0.00
Footpaths	£500.00	NDP Grants	£0.00
Tree Maintenance	£3,000.00	NDP Ward Grants	£0.00
Dog Bins	£1,580.00	Parish Funds	£4,539.00
Street Lighting	£2,050.00	Lengthsman Scheme	£0.00
Pavilion	£770.00	Village Hall (Grass)	£190.00
Sports Field	£1,615.00	COVID-19 Grant	£0.00
BBPF and AVPF	£1,000.00		
Subscriptions	£800.00		
NDP	£600.00		
NDP Locality Grant	£0.00		
Safety Measures	£0.00		
Events/elections	£0.00		
Miscellaneous	£0.00		
Projects	£2,000.00		
Website	£0.00		
Pavilion (Essential Maint & Projects)	£1,000.00		
Covid 19 Measures	£0.00		
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£34,395.00	Total Income	£34,395.00

## **Earmarks Policy**

The following levels of designated reserves are to be set with the approval of full Council. Expenditure from those reserves must be authorised by full Council for the purpose for which they have been earmarked:

- 1. **Wet Pour. £13,000.00 Re-designate as 'Playgrounds Maintenance Contingency'** This is to include wet-pour and in year maintenance or repair in excess of budget line.
- 2. Pavilion. Raise to £8000.00 (assumes £1000 remain from budget in FY 20/21). To be used for essential maintenance and aspirational projects as yet unapproved/ undeveloped / uncosted.
- 3. **Elections Fund £1000.00** (To be called upon in the event of Parish Council By-Elections.
- 4. **Community Projects. £2000.00**. To be used for aspirational projects listed in the projects register but as yet unapproved/ undeveloped / un-costed.