Clerks Report for the Uffington Parish Council Monthly Meeting 10th February 2025.

I am pleased to be able to report the following;

A Letter of Correction has now been received from the External Auditor confirmed the initial audit statements were incorrect and will not need validation in the 2024/5 audit.

Up to date information signs have now been installed on the entrances to the Burial Ground (229/24.i).

The second of the new SID's has been installed and operational (235/24.c).

Correspondence has now been sent with regards to the enquiry concerning parking in the area of the Waylands residential development (235/24.f). Details were provided explaining the level of authority and enforcement powers held by the Parish Council and some suggestions for alleviating the issue through internal communication within the development.

The Precept Request has been sent to VoWHDC and confirmation of receipt has been received (8/25.c).

Following the last meeting, contact was made with the Highways Dept regarding the quality of repair and 'loss' of some kerbstones to the entrance of the village carpark. The repair has since been redone and the missing kerbstones have been replaced (13/25.a)

The Clerk has now met with a number of contractors regarding the repairs needed to reinforce the exit of the village carpark and is awaiting details for presentation and consideration by the Council.

Tender documents have been sent to a number of contractors for the removal of six trees noted as suffering from Ash dieback or previously identified as in need of removal. A summary of the quotations will be presented at the February Parish Council meeting for approval.

Training has been booked for D Hatton (RFO based training) and Cllr Purdie (Roles and Responsibilities) via the OALC.

Due to a large agenda for the February meeting and the need to validate a number of details the Emergency Plan and Business Continuity Policy reviews have been moved to a later date.

The water pump kindly donated to the Parish Council has now been PAT tested and it has been agreed with the THMH that it can be stored on site to ensure a greater level of access. Cllr Oldnall, Cllr Garwood and the Clerk will act as contacts if the pump is required.

The initial round of Grant applications to tackle crime prevention incentives has now been announced, however there are currently no known issues within the parish that this would apply to.

An invitation has been received from Uffington Primary School for members of the Council to visit the school and be shown the current initiatives and areas of priority.