

Ufton Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting held on
Tuesday 3rd February 2026
in Ufton Village Hall

Meeting commenced at 20.00 hrs.

1. Record of Members present

Cllrs Looney, Hiatt, Thoday and Baldwin and Mrs J Chapman, Clerk.

2. Apologies for absence

Cllr Crowther and Byrne.

3. Acceptance of Apologies

Cllr Crowther and Cllr Byrne's apologies were accepted

4. Declaration of Interest

Councillors are reminded that they **MUST** act solely in the public interests and should never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person to act or gain financial or other material benefits for yourself, your family, a friend, or close associate.

Cllrs Hiatt Agenda item 11.

5. Dispensations

To receive and consider granting dispensation requests.

None

6. Open Forum – (15minutes)

District Councillor – Cllr Ostrander

Cllr Ostrander attended the meeting and her report was circulated in advance of the meeting, it covered Stratford District Council's Budget 2026 - 2027 Public Consultation, Council Tax proposal for 2026 – 2027, Social Housing Allocation Policy Consultation and Local Enforcement Plan Consultation plus an update on work done since 2023 on Climate Change and Biodiversity.

Warwickshire County Councillor – Cllr Kettle

Cllr Kettle was not in attendance. His report was circulated in advance of the meeting, it covered gritting of the road during the recent cold spell, his request for speed cushions on the A425 through Ufton using the HS2 Road Safety Fund. He also advised Warwickshire County Council is due to set the budget for 2026 – 2027 at full Council on 8th February 2026

7. Minutes of Last Parish Council meeting held on 6th January 2026

The Minutes were accepted as being a true record of the meeting.

8. Planning

8.1 No planning applications have been received since the last meeting held on 6th January 2026.

8.2 No planning decisions have been received since the last meeting held on 6th January 2026.

9. Finance

9.1 Bank Balance and Bank Reconciliation

These were not available due to a software error at Unity Bank.

9.2 Direct Debit Payments/Standing Orders

| Date | Name | £ |
|----------|---|--------|
| 01.02.26 | Clerk salary January 2026 paid 01.02.26 (S/O) | |
| 01.02.26 | HMRC January payment | |
| 01.01.26 | Yu Energy 01.12.25 – 31.12.25 | 126.44 |

9.3 Payments for authorisation

| Name | £ |
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| Mrs J Chapman January Ufton Newsletter 90 sheets @ 0.09 per sheet | 8.10 |
| WALC Data Protection 1 Foundations and Theory | 48.00 |

It was proposed by Cllr Hiatt, seconded by Cllr Thoday and **RESOLVED** all payments be made.

10. HS2

There was no information relating to HS2 work in the vicinity.

11. Parish Boundary

Cllr Hiatt gave a brief update.

12. Solar Farms

12.1 Radford Semele Solar Farm Appeal Hearing commencing 4th February 2026

The planning appeal hearing has been postponed and a new hearing date will be set.

13. Whitegates

Deferred to next meeting, as County Cllr Kettle was not in attendance.

14. Beacon Risk Assessment

Deferred as Cllr Byrne was not in attendance.

15. Local Nature Action Plan

It was proposed by Cllr Hiatt, seconded by Cllr Thoday and **RESOLVED** Ufton Parish Council is unable to carry out a Local Nature Action Plan due to the fact the Parish Council does not own any land and the village is surrounded by agricultural land. There is a nature reserve in the village which is owned and managed by Warwickshire County Council.

16. Village Communication

Clerk to include information in the March Ufton Newsletter regarding the availability of the Harbury and Ladbroke News. The Ufton Newsletter will continue in its current form.

17. Items for next Agenda

Beacon Risk Assessment, .gov.uk emails, IT policy, Ufton Clean Up

18. Date of next meeting Tuesday 3rd March 2026.

Meeting closed 20:30

Signed

Date