

ULLESTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Ullesthorpe Parish Council held in Ullesthorpe Village Hall on Monday 18th October 2021 at 7.30pm.

Present Councillors: Hugh Robertson Smith, Geoff Turley, Marion Coombes and Nick Mooney.

In attendance: Katherine Clarke (Parish Clerk).

In the absence of Cllr Smith, Cllr Robertson Smith agreed to chair the meeting.

21-121 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies for absence received from Cllr Simon Smith and District and County Cllr Rosita Page.

21-122 To receive Declarations of Members' Interests on items on the agenda

Members are asked to declare personal interests in any item on the agenda. Members are reminded that the Code of Conduct which took effect from 7 August 2012 provides that they should declare the existence and nature of their personal interest at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is prejudicial, they should withdraw from the room and not seek improperly to influence a decision about that matter.

No declarations of interest received.

21-123 To note any questions or comments from the public (15 minutes)

No members of the public present.

21-124 To approve as accurate the minutes of the meeting held on 6th September 2021

Cllr Turley proposed approving the minutes of the meeting held on 6th September 2021 as accurate, Cllr Mooney seconded the proposal, all agreed. The minutes will be signed electronically.

21-125 Matters arising from District and County Councillor Rosita Page

Cllr Page has been in regular contact via phone and email throughout the month with the Councillors and the Clerk updating and advising on issues concerning UPC and assisting with any concerns UPC have raised.

21-126 Financial Matters

a. To note the Bank Reconciliation to 18.10.21

The last bank statement received, dated 05.10.21, has been reconciled to the cash book. The reconciled balance on the account is £32,207.07.

b. Accounts for payment

Cllr Coombes proposed and Cllr Turley seconded payment of the following accounts:

CHQ NO	PAYEE	DETAIL	AMOUNT
001464	HDC	Emptying of waste bins	£162.89
001465	E-on	Streetlighting maintenance contract	£28.56
001466	S Hayto	Wildflower seeds etc.	£333.88
001467	K Clarke	Parish Clerk salary and expenses	£361.58

21-127 To discuss village gateway pricing and the Highway Members Fund

UPC will obtain pricing from LCC for the replacement of the village gateways.

21-128 To consider quotes for urgent tree works at Green Gardens

Two quotes were presented for tree works, Cllr Turley advised that a proper scope of works is needed to allow contractors to quote effectively, it was also noted that three quotes are required.

21-129 To discuss and agree Remembrance Day arrangements

Cllr Smith will attend the remembrance service on behalf of UPC, the wreath has been ordered. A parishioner has asked about poppies on the streetlights on Main Street during the remembrance period. The cost of the poppies is £3.00 from RBL. Cllr Mooney suggested that the school could be

approached to see if they would be like to make some poppies for the village that UPC could fund.

21-130 To consider Parish Council use of Social Media

Cllr Coombes circulated a proposal for a UPC Facebook page to act as a virtual noticeboard. Cllr Coombes is happy to create and administer it and will set up a test page for review at the next meeting.

21-131 To discuss any urgent matters arising re. village maintenance and environmental matters

No matters to report.

21-132 To receive an update on matters arising at the railway cutting

The consultation is open until the 31.12.21.

21-133 To discuss matters arising at the Joint Burial Board

- A replacement Clerk has been appointed and will work with the current Clerk until April 2022.
- The Burial Board precept for 2022/23 will be set at £1.76 per adult.
- The Burial Board has requested that UPC confirm in writing that they have made a provision for £4,915.00 toward the cemetery extension project. The three parishes have all been asked to pay 50% of the amounts they have provisioned.
- The Burial Board is meeting with a parishioner on 30.10.21 to discuss the parishioner's concerns.

21-134 To consider plans for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022

Cllr Mooney advised that a meeting took place on 03.10.21, a leaflet has been circulated around the village. A follow up meeting is planned for 31.10.21. The Clerk will contact Cllr Page to ask about potential funding.

21-135 Clerk's Report and Correspondence

No matters raised.

21-136 A.O.B. – FOR NOTIFICATION ONLY

- Cllr Robertson Smith raised the issue of the speed limit review by LCC, the Clerk will contact LCC to ask what the outcome of the decision is.
- Cllr Smith noted by email thanks to all involved in planting the wildflower seeds.
- Cllr Smith noted by email that he had accompanied Cllr Page and the LCC Rights of Way Officer to check footpath diversions and closures signage.
- Cllr Smith noted by email that he has cut the grass overgrowing the footpath on the main road towards Claybrooke.
- Cllr Smith noted by email that he has taken measurements and is seeking quotes for a replacement fence at the railway cutting top fence in Green Gardens.
- Cllr Smith noted by email that he has spoken to a gentleman regarding the refurbishment of the village sign. Cllr Robertson Smith advised that he is looking into the matter and the condition of the sign and will report back to UPC with further information at the next meeting.

21-137 Date of next meeting

- The next ordinary meeting of UPC will be held on 1st November 2021 at 7.30pm at Ullesthorpe Village Hall.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.34pm.

Approved as accurate on 01.11.21.