

UFTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

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Minutes of the Meeting of
Ufton Parish Council
held in The Village Hall , Ufton
at 8.30pm on Tuesday 2nd July 2013

- 1 **Record of members present** Parish Councillors: Cllr. Baldwin, (Chairman)
Cllr Tayler. Cllr Burrows, Cllr Lesley Van Kesteren
Cllr Stevens (WCC) Cllr Spencer (SDC)
Members of the Public: 3
- 2 **Apologies for Absence.** Cllr Ian Crowther, Cllr Phil Sheepy
- 3 **Acceptance of Apologies** Yes
- 4 **Declarations of Interest** Cllr Baldwin declared two interests in item 8 of the agenda.
- 5 **Open Forum**

Mrs Gillian Ingham reported that a speed limit sign in Ufton Fields had been knocked down.

She also asked that the "Overflow Car Park" sign at the White Hart public house be removed. There followed an exchange of views about the validity of the sign and the use of the land as pub car park. Cllr Baldwin stated the land is not owned by the pub but as it is not public land the council is powerless to act. Cllr Tayler added that he was sure that the car park could be used by villagers with permission of the landlord.

Mrs Ingham told the meeting that the dead ivy tree in Ufton Fields had still not been removed by the district council.

Action

Clerk to report to appropriate authority

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WCC/SDC Representative reports.

Cllr Bob Stevens (WCC) told the meeting the county's financial statement had recently been released and he was pleased to report that money has been set aside for what he described as 'Social Services' to meet the needs of the public such as assisting people returning home from hospital. WCC are encouraging public services to work in partnership with cross border partners such as the fire service sharing resources with it's neighbours. Warwickshire Police continue to work in collaboration with West Mercia police. HS2. The results of the judicial review will be known by the end of July and will include an environmental impact statement. He was encouraged by the fact that the community forum is getting better and reminded the meeting of the community grants available for small groups and the Highways Grant which needed to be applied for by September.

Cllr Spencer (SDC) spoke about the core strategy and how the district need to approve the building of 9500 homes during the period of 2008 and 2028. Periodically, SDC need to identify suitable building land for the next five years thereby creating a 'land bank' to meet it's needs. Ufton has not been specifically mentioned but any development could not exceed 2% of existing housing.

6 Approval of Minutes

Members were unable to sign and approve the below minutes due to insufficient number of members at this meeting being present on the previous meetings and it was agreed to carry this item to the next meeting.

- 6.1 To approve and sign the minutes of the last meeting held on Tuesday 4th June 2013
- 6.2 To approve and sign the minutes of the 2012 AGM
- 6.3 To approve and sign the minutes of the extra meeting held on Tuesday 25th June 2013

Action
Carry over to next meeting.

7 Matters Arising

7.1 Gypsy site consultation

This item was not discussed as a public meeting was held immediately prior to this meeting.

7.2. 20 mph speed limit

Cllr Stevens told the meeting that this issue could be considered but was likely to fail. Cllr Van Kesteren was concerned that such a limit was unenforceable. Cllr Tayler said there was not evidence is speeding through the village. Therefore, Cllr Baldwin decided to have this item removed from future agenda

7.3. Land at White Hart public house.

As discussed at item 5 above.

7.4. Broadband update.

Cllr Stevens was able to inform the meeting that high speed broadband was moving forward and that more information may be available by the next meeting.

7.5. Housing needs survey.

Nothing further to report

7.6. Inconsistent road signs at Harbury end of Ufton Fields.

The clerk informed the meeting that he had been in contact with the highways dept and that they will visit the location to assess the situation. Cllr Van Kesteren expressed concern that the removal of just one sign would be insufficient and that two signs giving the same information need to be positioned at either end of the restriction.

7.7. Street Lighting update.

This item to be carried over to the next meeting to allow Cllr Crowther time to investigate just how many street lights are in the village and how many we are paying Eon for.

8 Planning Matters

Notification as an adjoining parish council 13/01259/FUL Dallas Burston

Cllr Baldwin will consider this application outside of the meeting and make suitable comments if required.

Decisions received 13/00854/FUL 17 Ufton Fields Permission with conditions.

This planning decision was brought to the attention of the meeting.

Action
Remove from future agenda.
Clerk to pass this information to highways
Clerk to provide Cllr Crowther with all Eon statements.

Applications

Informal discussion of proposed replacement Bungalows to No 3 Ufton Fields after demolition of existing building.

Cllr Baldwin declared an interest in this item and passed the chair to Cllr Tayler.

Proposed plans were placed before the members which show a desire by the owner, Mr Shepherd to demolish an existing single story dwelling and replace it with two single story dwellings within the same footprint. Cllrs Tayler, Van Kesteren and Burrows expressed concern with these plans as it was felt that the original planning application expressly allowed just one dwelling on this site. Cllr Burrows proposed that we make no recommendations at this stage as there are concerns over the planning history of this site. Seconded by Cllr Van Kesteren.

13/01377/FUL Single story extension. White Hart Inn, Ufton

Cllr Baldwin declared an interest in this item and the chair remained with Cllr Tayler.

This application takes account of changes made to the original application and Cllr Tayler suggested that as we supported the original application we should support this. He added that it as it looks better it will be an improvement over the original application. Cllrs Van Kesteren and Burrows agreed and the clerk was asked to inform the District Council of no objection.

9. Finance

9.1 Invoices - presented for payment and approved.

All invoices presented for payment were approved by the members.

9.2 Payments received Nil

9.3 To make the parish council's asset register available to members for examination

Cllr Baldwin provided a list of 11 village assets under the control of the Parish Council. This list was approved by members.

10. Correspondence Nil

11. Items for next agenda Tuesday 3rd September 2013

1 Inconsistent road signs at Harbury end of Ufton Fields.

2 land at White Hart public house.

3 Broadband update.

4 Housing needs survey.

5 Street Lighting update.

Action

Clerk to provide the next meeting with the original planning application and any conditions of it's approval

Clerk to inform the District Council of no objection.

Clerk to add the value of the assets to the list which will form the Parish Council Asset Register

Mike Crowther Ufton Parish Clerk
3rd July 2013