Ufton Parish Council Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th December 2021

Meeting commenced 20:00 hrs.

1. Record of Members present

Cllrs Tayler, Crowther, Leeman, Byrne, Baldwin, Baker and Mrs J Chapman (Clerk) District Councillor Adam

2. Apologies for Absence Cllrs Looney

3. Acceptance of Apologies

Cllr Looney's apologies were accepted.

4. Declaration of Interest

Councillors were 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 Crowther - Churchyard Mowing (member of Ufton Parochial Church Council). Cllr Leeman declared an interest in item 8.1, Planning Application 21/03706/FUL

5. Dispensations - None declared

20:02 Cllr Baker joined the meeting.

6. Open Forum – (15minutes) None

WCC / SDC Representatives Reports

Cllr Adam (SDC) advised things have been quiet in Ufton, however, he has had contact from one resident regarding traffic. As this is a WCC function, he will pass the query to Cllr Kettle.

20:04 Cllr Baldwin joined the meeting.

Cllr Adam advised the merger between SDC, and Warwick District is moving forward. Ultimately the Government will decide if the merger can go ahead. SDC has sent a letter to the Boundary Commission requesting single member wards be allowed within the Stratford area, given the rural nature of the area. Avian flu is still in the area.

7. Minutes of Last Parish Council

7.1 The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2nd November 2021 were agreed as being a true and complete record of the meeting and were signed accordingly.

8. Planning

8.1 The following planning applications have been received during the period 28th October 2021 – 2nd December 2021.

Planning No.	Address	Proposed	Comments due by
21/03418/FUL	Gemstone, Bascote Road, Ufton, CV33 9PL	Construction of building for the storage of vehicles, machinery and equipment in connection with an existing groundworks business	No comment
21/03627/LBC	Cruck House 1 Ufton Fields Ufton Leamington Spa CV33 9PE	Replacement of existing conservatory with oak framed orangery	Support

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21/03706/FUL	6 Broad Close, Ufton, CV33 9PB	Erection of a front porch	No comment

8.2 The following planning decisions have been received during the period 28th October – 2nd December 2021. - Noted

Planning No.	Address	Decision
21/02787/FUL	Ufton Hill Farm Bascote Road Ufton CV33 9PL	Permission with conditions
21/02872/FUL	Oak Farm House Ufton Fields Ufton CV33 9NZ	Withdrawn
21/02872/LBC	Oak Farm House Ufton Fields Ufton CV33 9NZ	Listed Building Consent approved

8.3 Other planning information - None

Matters Arising from previous meeting held on 2nd November 2021 which are not on the agenda None

10. Finance

10.1 Bank Balance

As of 30th November 2021, £12,583.23. Noted

10.2 To authorise the following payments

Name	£
Clerk salary November 2021	
Mrs J Chapman reimbursement for printing of December Ufton News	33.60

It was proposed by Cllr Tayler, seconded by Cllr Crowther and **RESOLVED** the payments be made.

10.3 EON

The Cllrs noted there has been an increase in electricity charges as from 1st December 2021. The charge is increasing from 25.40 per kWh to 33.80 per kWh.

10.4 Online Banking – Clerk Access

It was proposed by Cllr Tayler, seconded by Cllr Baker and **RESOLVED** the Clerk's banking access be changed to full access to allow the Clerk to set up electronic payments.

10.5 Online Banking – Cllrs Access

It was proposed by Cllr Tayler, seconded by Cllr Baker and **RESOLVED** all Cllrs to be mandated for electronic banking to enable them to be able to authorise electronic payments.

11. HS2

Clerk to contact liaison officer at HS2 ask them to review the placement of some of their road signs as some of the impede visibility.

Clerk to report blown down signs on Ufton roundabout to WCC.

12. Parish Boundary

Deferred to the next meeting.

13. Improvements to Ufton Village

The Clerk expressed concern this item has been on the agenda for a number of months and it has not been progressed. Cllrs agreed to this item being removed from the agenda.

14. Section 137 – Grant Request towards cost of mowing the Churchyard.

It was proposed by Cllr Tayler, seconded by Cllr Baker and **RESOLVED** after discussion to pay £1200 to Ufton Parochial Church Council towards the cost of maintaining the churchyard. The Parish Council has taken into consideration previous discussions regarding the law and the advice available.

15. Warwickshire Search and Rescue

As the Parish Council does not own any land, they are unable offer anywhere to Warwickshire Search and Rescue for a meeting place. Cllr Byrne is happy to offer his land.

16. Grit Bin

It was agreed Cllr Tayler and Cllr Byrne will look to see if there is sufficient room to put the grit bin by the village hall.

17. Queen's Green Canopy

As the Council do not own any land within the village, they felt unable to proceed any further.

18. Items for Next Agenda

Precept, Quarter 3 Budget Monitoring, Beacon and Parish Boundary.

19. Date of Next Meeting 4th January 2022