

# UPHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Upham Parish Council held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2019 in Upham Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cllr Ashe (Chairman), Cllr Halsall, Cllr Snowdon, Cllr Croucher and Cllr Dalley.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** 5 residents attended the Meeting.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies were received from County Councillor Humby, District Councillor Ruffell, District Councillor Lumby, Cllr LeMay and the Clerk (Mrs Anne Collins).
2. **The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 were agreed and signed as correct.**
3. **Declarations of Interests under the Code of Conduct.** Cllr Halsall made a Declaration of Interest on item 8.8 below.
4. **Matters Arising:**
  - 4.1 Highways Report – Cllr Snowdon/Cllr Dalley to report. Cllr Snowdon gave a Report on pot holes which have been reported, a SID update including possible locations, signage improvements in Lower Upham along with other highways specific issues which need further discussion. It was agreed that Cllr Snowdon would write an update on highways for the Upham Update and request volunteers for a Working Group. A detailed Report on highways is attached as Appendix 1 to these Minutes.
  - 4.2 Trees at Upham Pond – Pond Working Group Committee Meeting date – Cllr Dalley reported that he has been in contact with the previous residents who formed the Working Group and they are willing to help again. A date for a Meeting has been arranged for 14<sup>th</sup> September. A detailed Report is attached as Appendix 2 to these Minutes.
  - 4.3 Progress of faster broadband in Upham – Cllr Ashe/Cllr LeMay. Cllr Ashe is still pursuing HCC, who have not yet placed an order for broadband, as they wanted a clear update on alternative options. A Meeting with HCC/BT Openreach has been agreed for 2<sup>nd</sup> August to finalise.
  - 4.4 Update on ADD regarding EBC plans – Cllr Ashe updated Councillors and said that there is still no formal response from the Inspector but there is an expected update in September.
  - 4.5 Wet Woodland Update and agree quote for Ecology Study – Cllr Dalley spoke about the quotes received, and Councillors agreed in principle to move forward with the project once Cllr Dalley has followed up on final cost questions. A more detailed Report is attached to these Minutes as Appendix 3.
  - 4.6 Updating of village website – Cllr Halsall to report on Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2019. Cllr Halsall gave a Report of the Meeting and said that 3 quotes were received from website providers. Councillors agreed that Sugarweb be agreed as our provider at a cost of £1,360. Cllr Ashe agreed to write to Sugarweb and other parish users indicating that a response was needed by early September. Notes of the Website Meeting are attached as Appendix 4 to these Minutes.
  - 4.7 Updating of Village Design Statement. Cllr Ashe agreed to contact Richard Green regarding the next steps.
  - 4.8 Grants from SDNP – no result of applications known yet.
  - 4.9 Emergency Plan for Upham – Cllr Snowdon updated Councillors on the progress and said that a draft letter has been prepared to send out to residents to see who needs help and who can offer help. The letter was agreed by Councillors. A short report will be put into the Upham Update.
  - 4.10 Drainage at Torbay Farm development – any updates. 5 residents who live in Torbay Farm attended the Meeting and informed Councillors that drainage in their rear gardens is a key issue and from September 2017 to May 2018 their gardens were not able to be used. Photographs of the problems were shown to Councillors. It was agreed to

write to WCC and Sovereign on this issue. There has been no communication to the Parish Council from Sovereign on this issue. It was also agreed that we should write to Bargate regarding taking over the play area and ask what current progress has been made to fix the current drainage issue. DC Lumby and DC Ruffell have offered to help.

- 4.11 Ideas for Green Week in Upham. Cllr Halsall gave an update with input from other Councillors. Traffic free Upham idea was discussed. It was agreed that Cllr Halsall would ask if Upham School could get involved and also write in the Upham Update for any suggestions from residents.
- 4.12 Report on Southern Parishes Meeting (22.7.19) – Cllr Croucher attended the Meeting and reported that the main Speaker was Peter Wall – BWPC Lengthsman who spoke about the work that he does. Other topics under discussion included Grass Verge contracts with WCC, Pot holes and Hampshire Highways responses, ACSO Sharing, WCC Local Council Update, Eastleigh Local Plan Meeting with WCC and other matters raised which are affecting some parishes. Future Agenda items suggested were Verge cutting, ACSO Update and LEP Planning. The next Meeting will be on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Formal Notes of the Meeting are attached as Appendix 5.
- 4.13 Update on VE Day Commemorations – Cllr LeMay/Janet Dunford. Janet Dunford was not able to be present at the Meeting but did say that a Meeting has been held to start preparations. If any residents would like to participate and help, then please contact Janet on 01489 860579. She would also like to know if any resident has memories to share or any items which were related to WW2 to get in touch with her.
- 5. Public Participation items by invitation of the Chairman.** The residents attending were concerned with item 4.10 above.
- 6. Neighbourhood Watch/Community Safety:**
  - 6.1 Neighbourhood Watch Report – Cllr Croucher gave an Update to Councillors.
- 7. City and County Reports:**
  - 7.1 HCC – CC Humby. There was no Report available.
  - 7.2 WCC – DC Ruffell and DC Lumby. A District Councillors’ Report is attached to these Minutes as Appendix 6.
  - 7.3 SDNP – DC Evans if anything to report. DC Evans was invited to attend this Meeting but was unable to come along as she was unavailable. Clerk has asked if she would be willing to come along to the September or October Meetings. Cllr Ashe said that it would be beneficial to have a discussion with her before then so that our concerns about the Eastleigh Local Plan could be shared. Clerk will ask if DC Evans is available to meet with Councillors.
- 8. Correspondence:**
  - 8.1 Dog fouling sign in Hampshire. Councillors agreed that no order would be placed and that the present sign on the side of the Pavilion would be removed.
  - 8.2 Agreement for Parish Lengthsman Contract. This was duly signed.
  - 8.3 Parish Connect (July, 2019) – sent via e-mail. This was noted.
  - 8.4 Price list for tables from Solway Recycling. This was noted.
  - 8.5 Adoption of the Southdowns Local Plan – forward via e-mail. This was noted.
  - 8.6 Temporary Closure Notice for Upham Restricted Byway 30a. Paul Swanwick has been informed.
  - 8.7 Consultation for views on community engagement and income generation – Southdowns National Park. Discussion took place and Councillors agreed that a suggestion required on better engagement question with SDNP and Main point of contact that UPC can liaise with was key suggestion.
  - 8.8 CAB Donation for 2019-20. Councillors agreed to send a donation of £200 the same as the previous year.

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**9. Planning:**

9.1 PENDING:

9.2 NEW:

9.2.1 (SDNP/19/02954/FUL). Pongside, Upham Street, Upham. Building of a pool room, wooden construction, under a hidden roof. Councillors agreed that they had no comments to make on this Application.

9.2.2 (SDNP/19/03204/FUL). Freshfields, Upham Street, Upham. Demolition of existing dwelling, garages and stables and construction of a Replacement dwelling. Alterations to Approval SDNP/17/04676/FUL. Councillors agreed that the development is still not in keeping with the conservation area and an Objection will be sent outlining the objections and concerns made by Councillors.

9.2.3 (APP/L1765/W/19/3229525). 1 Elm Crescent, Upham. Appeal against Refusal to grant planning permission for proposed new dwelling. This was noted.

9.3 DECISIONS:

9.3.1 (SDNP/18/05938/HOUS). Herdsman Cottage, Woodcote Farm Lane, Upham. Retention, alteration and extension of existing outbuilding. **Approved.**

9.3.2 Appeal at The Woodman, Winchester Road, Lower Upham. For demolition of the existing public house and construction of 4 no. dwelling houses with associated access, parking and landscaping. **Appeal Allowed.**

**10. Recreation and Amenities:**

10.1 Grant for new piece of play equipment. Gwyn reported that Judith Carrie is not available until September, but at this point this item will be reviewed again.

10.2 Repairs to Pavilion. These have been completed.

**11. Upham Primary School:** Cllr Halsall and Cllr Snowdon reported that the recent SATS results were very good. Councillors agreed that a letter of congratulations should be sent to the Headteacher for this impressive result. Clerk will send a letter.

**12. The Village Hall:** Cllr Dalley gave an Update which is attached to these Minutes as Appendix 6.

**13. Parish Magazine Report:** Clerk will submit.

**14. Finance:**

14.1 Financial report for July, 2019 (circulated). This was noted.

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**15. Items for Future Consideration at next Meeting:** There were no future items raised other than those already on the Agenda.

**16. Dates of Future Meetings:** No Meeting during August; Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2019; Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2019; Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2019; No Meeting during December.

**17. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.30 p.m.**