

# UPHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## The Minutes of Upham Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 28th November, 2016 in Upham Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cllr Ashe (Chairman), Cllr Armstrong, Cllr Dunford, Cllr Dukes, Cllr LeMay and Cllr Flaherty.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** County Councillor Humby, District Councillor Thacker, Mrs Anne Collins (Clerk) and 6 parishioners.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies were received from District Councillor Ruffell.
2. **The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 were agreed and signed.**
3. **Declarations of Interests under the Code of Conduct.** Cllr Ashe declared an Interest as his Company sometimes does work on Planning Applications.
4. **Matters Arising:**
  - 4.1 Highways Report – Cllr Flaherty/Cllr Dukes. Cllr Flaherty reported that the triangle has been resurfaced in Shoe Lane and the manhole has been repaired outside of Newlyn Farm. It is believed that the lorries have not been going up Popes Lane for the last 2 weeks so they might have ceased. If this is the case then the roadside edges and banks need to be reinstated. Clerk will write to CC Humby and request that this is done as he will be able to find out if the operation has now ceased. Cllr Flaherty and Cllr Dukes offered to cut round the village road signs and clear them of any vegetation before cleaning them. Cllr Dukes has arranged a Meeting with Doug Jones of Buriton on 10<sup>th</sup> January to discuss how we might be able to reduce the speed of traffic through the village. Roy Kimble and the Highways Traffic Group will also be invited to attend. Cllr Ashe asked CC Humby about the Workshops that were offered earlier in the year for villages seeking advice on village gateways as there was disappointment that these have not happened. This will be of concern to other villages – not just Upham. Cllr Flaherty reported that the culvert near Forge Cottage in Upham Street is blocked with silt. A parishioner present said that the drains outside of her property near the triangle in Upham Street are also blocked. HCC did carry out some work, but have not come back. Clerk will contact HCC Highways and ask that both culvert and drain be unblocked.
  - 4.2 Funding for 3rd Community Defibrillator. CC Grant approved. Agree siting. Clerk reported that she has now received the remainder of the Funds from HCC CC Grant. Thanks were given to CC Humby for the Grant. Clerk will now go ahead and order the Defibrillator. The siting was agreed to be on the outside wall of the Pavilion in Shoe Lane.
  - 4.3 Section 106 funds for Upham. Response from Simon Finch. Clerk read out the response. It appears that Upham has been caught up in the middle of when S106 contributions were stopped and the CIL Funding for the SDNP has not been agreed yet as they do not have a Plan. Therefore we have not been getting any contributions. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Tim Slaney (SDNP) and make him aware of the situation.
  - 4.4 Update from ADD Group – Cllr Ashe/Cllr LeMay. Cllr Ashe reported that some members of the ADD Group have met with CC Humby and Toby Ayling (EBC) and found both Meetings useful. It appears that there will be no decision made on 15<sup>th</sup> December, but all Eastleigh Parish Councils have been invited to a Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> December, which is a little unusual. Cllr Ashe has also met with Bovis Homes about Option E and also discussed half of Option D. CC Humby said that he and DC Thacker had spoken to about 60 residents at an Owslebury Meeting and he has asked George Hollingbery to review the housing figures from the PUSH growth as these figures are most probably not correct now. Cllr Ashe said that there is a Meeting to be held in Durley on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November to meet the Chairmen and Clerks of adjoining parishes to gain their support. A request was made to WCC and SDNP to take action to express their concerns to Eastleigh, and that they should not take a decision on the Options for an MDA before they have received the Reports that the Planning Officers are commissioning.

- 4.5 Compiling an Emergency Plan for Upham/Resilience Event (18.11.16) – Cllr Flaherty reported that letters and response forms have been given out to all residents in Upham. Cllr Flaherty attended the Resilience Event on 18<sup>th</sup> November and found it to be very useful. She has not been able to produce a Report yet, but will e-mail a Report when it is completed.
  - 4.6 Report on Southern Parishes Meeting (28.11.16) – Cllr Dunford/Clerk. Cllr Dunford reported that the main issues which were discussed included Waste Recycling Centres, fly-tipping, dog waste, the Botley By-pass, Eastleigh Plan and the availability of the Bishops Waltham mini bus to other parishes on a Tuesday.
  - 4.7 Village noticeboards. Clerk reported that these are nearly ready to be installed. Mike would like someone from the Parish Council to oversee the installation. It was agreed that the Clerk should inform Mike that if he lets us know when he has completed the boards we will see who is around and show him where we would like them sited.
  - 4.8 Our Digital Future (8.11.16) – Cllr Ashe attended this Meeting and said that he now had more understanding of what BT is up against when trying to achieve a faster broadband service. Glen Peacey was present and will let us know when Upham is likely to get a better broadband service – it is hopeful for 2017.
  - 4.9 Meeting with Tree Officer – Clerk received a response stating that we would need to employ a Tree Surgeon as WCC will not come out to give us advice. Cllr LeMay has the names of two Tree Surgeons who might be able to advise us. These will be looked at and a visit will be arranged.
  - 4.10 SDNP Planning Workshop – Cllr LeMay and Cllr Dukes. Both Councillors attended this Workshop and found it useful, but as Upham has no housing allocation it did not really affect Upham. However, useful contacts were made e.g. meeting Doug Jones from Buriton to discuss the traffic calming.
  - 4.11 Removal of BT telephone kiosk along the Winchester Road. Clerk has been in touch with BT and they have authorised the removal, but the electric has to be disconnected first, and this has not been done yet. Clerk will keep chasing, but it appears that it is a low priority. BW are in the same position with the removal of their kiosk in Newtown. There is no further update on Shop.
  - 4.12 Dumping of rubbish at Meadow View. Further complaints have been received, but we have heard nothing from the Enforcement Officer. 2 residents attended the Meeting to inform the Parish Council that rubbish is still being dumped on the site and rubbish is blowing into their garden. Clerk will send information through to CC Humby and he will follow up with the Enforcement Officer and may be the Environment Agency.
5. **Public Participation items by invitation of the Chairman.** One parishioner present was concerned about the condition of Sciviers Lane now that large heavy lorries are using it to go into Torbay Farm. At present it is not a safety concern but she can see how the road has deteriorated, and the development is not completed yet. Councillors asked if she would take photographs and monitor the situation so that we have evidence when the work is completed. The parishioner was happy to do this. The parishioner also said that bonfires are still being lit in the evening on the boggy pond area by the Alma and that the culvert under the road has not worked for years. Clerk will contact the Environment Agency.

## 6. **Neighbourhood Watch/Community Safety:**

- 6.1 Neighbourhood Watch Report. There was no Report available.

## 7. **City and County Reports:**

- 7.1 HCC – CC R Humby. CC Humby reported that fridges are now being taken at the Waste Recycling Centres and that information about the opening hours and other information is on the HCC website which is updated regularly. He also said that Hampshire are looking at ways of putting in bids for Funds towards infrastructure in Hampshire.
- 7.2 WCC – DC L Ruffell and DC A Thacker. DC Thacker started her Report by informing Councillors of the Enforcement Actions which have been taken this year and that there will be an Enforcement Briefing Session for Parish Councils in the New Year. Laura Taylor has been appointed as the new Chief Executive and she will commence her duties in January, 2017. Cllr Ashe asked if WCC have been consulted on the EBC Local Plan and if they have what is their response. Steve Opacic has been working on the response, but they do have a tight timescale.

7.3 SDNP – DC Thacker said that there was nothing specific regarding the SDNP to report.

## **8. Correspondence:**

- 8.1 Winchester District Local Plan Part 2 – Development Management & Site Allocations. Sent via e-mail. There were no comments to make.
- 8.2 HCC Public Representative Highways Survey. Individuals will make comments if they wish and Cllr Flaherty and Cllr Dukes will make a response on behalf of the Parish Council.
- 8.3 Consultation on revisions to Hampshire draft of Community Involvement Consultation (planning). Sent via e-mail. No comments were made.
- 8.4 SDNP Local List Review. Sent via e-mail. No comments were made.
- 8.5 Complaint about pavement in Oak Close. Reported to WCC for action. No action has been taken yet.
- 8.6 Councillor Commission Interim Report. Sent via e-mail. This was noted.
- 8.7 WDAPC AGM Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00 p.m. venue to be confirmed. Cllr Ashe might be able to attend. The Clerk will be attending.
- 8.8 WCC – Budget Consultation and Devolution Update (7.12.16). No-one was available to attend.
- 8.9 Parish Precept Requirement for 2017/18. Councillor Armstrong proposed that we have an increase of 5% which will make our Precept £21,000 for the 2017/18 financial year. Cllr Ashe seconded this proposal and all Councillors were in agreement. Clerk will complete Precept Request Form once the CTS Grant is approved in Winchester on 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2016.

## **9. Planning:**

### 9.1 PENDING:

- 9.1.1 An Appeal has been lodged by Mrs Clare Kempster against the Refusal for the Siting of a mobile home – (Retrospective) at Woodley Farm, Alma Lane, Upham.

### 9.2 NEW:

- 9.2.1 (SDNP/16/05147/ADV). The Alma Inn, Alma Lane, Upham. Erection of replacement illuminated and non illuminated signs to the exterior of the building. Councillors agreed that they would object to this application as the proposal was out of scale, inappropriate and the proposed signs would be a distraction. Councillors agreed that more traditional signs would be more in keeping in a rural village and would like to see something like the original signs.
- 9.2.2 (SDNP/16/05827/FUL). Victoria Villa, Winchester Road, Upham. Construction of 2 x 3 bed dwellings with associated car parking and access from Upham Street. Councillors agreed that an objection would be made as there would be no safe turning on the site, there would be increased drainage risks in an already high water table, there is general over-development of the original site and the safety issues involved in trying to come out of the entrance would be high. It was felt that a more acceptable development could be achieved to address these issues.

### 9.3 DECISIONS:

- 9.3.1 (SDNP/15/06295/HOUS) – Westland House, Winchester Road, Upham. Enclosure building for existing swimming pool. **Approved.**

## **10. Recreation and Amenities:**

- 10.1 Pavilion Sub Committee Report (22.11.16) – Cllr Dunford reported that the Committee agreed that the best siting

for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Defibrillator was on the front of the Pavilion. UFC have re-stained the Pavilion and the hedges have been cut back by Steve Comley. The play equipment will be repainted in the springtime and Janet has asked that volunteers contact her so that a working party can be set up. The parking incident was discussed and it appears that on that particular date there was a lot of activity in the area with people walking, adding to the amount of cars. Roger will ask members of UFC to park considerately when visiting the Recreation Ground. Cllr Armstrong suggested that cones be put out opposite one of the driveways to stop parking in that area. Clerk will ask UFC to do this. There has been no more flooding in the showers and a sign has been put up informing players to take their boots off before entering the Pavilion. The drain manhole covers will be looked at and reinstated. The next Meeting will be on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2017.

- 11. Upham Primary School:** No Report was available.
- 12. The Village Hall:** Cllr Armstrong reported that Phase 1 of the car park renovations has been done.
- 13. Parish Magazine Report:** Clerk will submit.
- 14. Finance:**
  - 14.1 Financial report for November, 2016 (circulated).
  - 14.2 Consider Budget for 2017/18. It was agreed that Cllr Armstrong will send a predicted Budget via e-mail.
- 15. Items for Future Consideration at next Meeting:** There were no items raised.
- 16. Dates of Future Meetings:** No Meeting during December. Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2017; Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2017; Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2017, Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2017; Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2017; Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2017; Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2017; No August Meeting; Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2017; Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2017; Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2017; No December Meeting.
- 17. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN WISHED EVERYONE A HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND CLOSED THE MEETING AT 10.00 p.m.**