

Upton Magna Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 10th October 2024 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall

24/81 REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE and APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Present: Cllrs Phil Roberts (Chair), Dan Sims, Jeana Bennion, Lezley Picton, Andy Pillow

Apologies:

Clerk: Jennifer Turner.

Attending : Members of the Public x 4

24/82 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None.

24/83 PUBLIC SESSION

- Five concrete blocks have been installed Pelham Road area - Councillors to bring this to the attention of Sundorne Estate
- Lane near to Quincey Fields – an open culvert has been filled in and covered with a stainless steel top – Councillors to bring this to the attention of Sundorne Estate
- Resident asked for update on repair to street lights. Clerk explained that an insurance claim has been unsuccessful, however a contractor has been engaged to provide quotes for repair

24/83 MINUTES – It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the Chairman should sign the minutes of the meeting held on the 12th September 2024 as a true and correct record of that meeting (removing the word Annual).

24/84 REPORT FROM CLLR. LEZLEY PICTON (SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL) –

LP explained that new stickers for the Green Waste Collection will be distributed

The financial situation is dire with adult and children's services taking a huge share of the budget. It is possible that a move will be made towards devolution resulting in a Mayor governing a larger area. Some leisure centres and libraries will close. Lighting and Highways issues are unlikely to be repaired before April 2025. Approximately 80 responses have been received to the SALC survey.

PR asked about the sale of carparks to pay for redundancy and the issue of 'boomerang' employees. Advised if it is a different company employing the staff member then SCC have no control over this.

24/85 REPORTS

- a) **West Mercia Police** – No update
- b) **SALC** – No update or advice of meeting
- c) **Footpaths** – JB provided a report
- d) **Village hall** – Wi-Fi will be installed shortly

24/86 PROGRESS REPORTS

- a) **Defibrillators** - The Rotary Club will be maintaining both defibrillators. JB raised a concern regarding the monthly check
- b) **Street Lights** – An insurance claim has been unsuccessful. Potters have quoted to repair the one street light and a previous quotation exists from Penguin to repair the one outside of the school. Clerk to ask Potters for quote to repair this light too. Agreed to go ahead with repair to first light. May try to claim back cost of repair to Penguin light from Scottish Power

24/87 GENERAL PARISH & HIGHWAY MATTERS

*Please note: Most highway and general repair matters are best reported using **fixmystreet.com**. This will usually get the quickest results.*

- a) **Councillor Vacancy**
Two residents have expressed an interest in being co-opted onto the Parish Council
Adam Kelly – proposed PR, seconded JB
Bob – proposed PR, seconded JB

It was also decided to add DS and AK to Unity Bank to authorise payments

24/88 PLANNING

- a) 24/03537/TCA Pollarding trees - approved

24/89 FINANCE

- a) **Payments and receipts**

It was proposed PR), seconded (AP) and resolved that the following payments be approved:
Bank Balance £9,710.88

Amount	Payment Details
300.00	Clerk’s salary and expenses Oct
26.00	
75.00	HMRC Oct
52.03	P Woods – Mower Fuel
11.99	Hugo Fox Oct
18.00	Unity Charges
Amount	Income Details
	None

24/90 Any Other Business/Correspondence

- a) Clerk to find out cost of Male and Female silhouette (Tommy)

24/91 – Items for next agenda

Precept

The meeting closed at 20.31

Date of the next meeting: 14th November 2024 at 7.30pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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