

UFTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

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Minutes of the Meeting of Ufton Parish Council held in The Village Hall , Ufton at 8.00pm on Tuesday 5th February 2013

1	<u>Record of Members Present.</u>	Parish Councillors: Cllr. Tayler, (Chairman), Cllr. Burrows, Cllr. Wilkinson (ViceChairman) Cllr. Baldwin, Cllr Sheepy. Members of the Public: 1 WCC Cllr Stevens.
2	<u>Apologies for Absence.</u>	Cllr. Van Kesteren. (Work commitment), Cllr Crowther (Personal) SDC - Cllr Spencer
3	<u>Acceptance of Apologies</u>	Apologies were accepted
4	<u>Declarations of Interest</u>	Cllr Tayler – planning discussion ref. Lower Fox Farm.
5	<u>Open Forum</u>	A member of the public reported that the Shop being opened called Peacock Country Store would be selling refreshments, ready meals and fresh bread.
	<u>Reports for DC Cllr.</u>	Cllr Stevens discussed the budget with Councillor's advising them of the investments to be made improving broadband and the highways.
6	<u>Approval of Minutes</u>	It was resolved to approve the minutes from December as a true record. Proposed Cllr Tayler and seconded Cllr Burrows.

<u>Matters Arising</u>		<u>Action</u>
7.1.	<i>Housing Need Survey</i> Subcommittee advised that a survey was prepared nothing to report as yet. Discussion held around how the results of the survey were to be disseminated – the committee will consult a neighboring Parish Council and report back.	Committee to report back at next meeting
7.2	<i>Neighborhood Watch – update</i> Cllr Crowther to update at next meeting. He has been pursuing the disappearance of the email alert scheme for local crimes. PCSO has moved on and is being replaced. Regional clusters discussed.	
7.3	<i>HS2 update</i> Cllr Stevens updated Councillor's – discussion held around second phase of works. The last forum meeting was poorly attended due to bad snow. Route is still not finalized; Hybrid build could take longer than anticipated. Cllr Taylor stressed the need to have "concrete" information and timescales. Cllr Stevens attending a meeting with ministers in two months time.	
7.4	<i>Broadband – update</i> Cllr Baldwin advised that there had been a positive response to surveys but more needed. He was approaching neighbouring parishes for information on their successes.	Cllr B to determine how many surveys

7.5	Highway issue in Ufton – update		Clerk to contact highways regarding points raised by public.
	<p>Pot holes in Ufton Fields raised as a concern. Drain cover outside Pub raised and dangerous – yellow marks placed around but works still not completed. Thanks to be passed back for the speed in filling up the grit bins in the parish. Retaining wall by Church – discussion held around responsibility – following a discussion it was felt that the responsibility fell to the Church.</p>		
7.6	Rubbish at Nature Reserve		
	Since placing this item on the agenda someone has kindly tidied up the area concerned.		
7.7	Community Forum – Safer neighbourhood team – priorities		Clerk to submit
	<p>A discussion was held around the Parish's priorities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Email alerts to be restarted. 2. Speeding on main roads – concerns around school children crossing roads 3. More police presence in Village 		
7.8	Street lights – audit number in village		Clerk to contact EON
	Clerk to contact Eon following audit provided by Cllr Baldwin – No 12 not found but being paid for		
<u>Planning Matters</u>			<u>Resolved</u>
8	Decisions received - None		
	Planning applications – None		
	Lower Fox Farm – discuss planning enforcement appeal – Cllrs discussed history to planning enforcement. Concerns were raised around the implications of enforcement on the resident's ability to continue providing a service to the local community. It was resolved to hear the outcome of the appeal before further discussion.		
<u>Finances</u>			<u>Action</u>
9	<p>Invoices presented for payment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January Clerk salary, quarterly allowance and expenses • Gillian newsletter • EON <p>It was resolved to approve the payments. Proposed Cllr Baldwin, second Cllr Sheepy.</p> <p>Payments received - nil</p>	<p>£ 118.34 £ 22.68 £ 127.82</p>	
10	Agree meeting dates for 2013 March 5 th , April 2 nd , May 7 th AGM & PM, June 4 th , July 2 nd , Sept. 3 rd , Oct 1 st , Nov 12 th , Dec. 3 rd .		
<u>Correspondence</u>			<u>Action</u>
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<u>Agenda Items for next Meeting</u>		
11	Items for next meeting– appointment of new clerk. Request for new grit bin in Field Close /Ufton Fields	
	Meeting closed at 9.20pm Date of next meeting 5 th March 2013	

Signed: Chair

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