Uplyme Parish Council

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Chairman: Councillor Chris James - Vice Chair: Councillor Paulene Frost - Clerk: Ricky Neave

Minutes of the meeting of Uplyme Parish Council held at the Uplyme Village Hall on Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 7.15pm.

Present: Councillors

Councillor Kidson, James, Mason, Pratt, Ostler, Pullinger, Duffin, Frost, and 3 members of the public.

In attendance: The Parish Clerk, Ricky Neave

Key: Councillors Hand Vote [For / Against]

7.15pm Public Question Time

Public Bodies (admissions to meetings) Act 1960 s 1 extended by the LG Act 972 s 100.

Local Resident and volunteer John Fowler wished the Council a happy new year and thanked the Council for doing a good job. The ditch at Venlake again needs attention to alleviate flooding. Following the incident of another lorry stuck in Woodhouse Lane which has caused considerable damage to the drainage and ditches, the Council have agreed to write to the lorry driver who supplied his address to one of the residents.

Report from County Councillor - Mr Ian Lloyd Hall

Expressed apologies for non attendance of the last few meetings due to other work commitments. After a lot of work involved between Councillor Ostler, John Galt and the Flood Management Team is the good news that the flood improvement works for Uplyme has been approved by cabinet, due to start in March 2018. Disappointment of the closure announcement of the sixth form at Axe Valley school at short notice, Trust has been asked to slow down and reconsider the implications, MP Neil Parish has asked for an urgent meeting with the government regarding the closure and lack of funding. We are strongly campaigning to reverse this decision and if not, seek alternative appropriate solutions. Gigaclear, the new preferred supplier are providing solutions to a better broadband service for Uplyme beginning this year to improve speeds.

Item	Agenda
18/1	Acceptance of apologies for absence RESOLVED: Councillor Turner sent advanced notice of apologies due to an alternative working arrangement. Council resolved his reason for absence. Councillor R Turner sent her apologies due to feeling poorly with a cold. Council resolved her reason for absence.
18/2	Dispensations Council is asked to discuss any written requests for dispensation the Clerk may have received from Councillors. RESOLVED: none received by the Clerk.
18/3	To receive declarations of interests Local Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 (SI 2012/1464) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations). RESOLVED: none received.
18/4	Exclusion of the Press and Public Standing Order #1c The Parish Council may exercise their right to exclude the public and press by resolution from a closed meeting due to the confidential nature to be discussed pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. RESOLVED: not required.
18/5	Chairman's announcements RESOLVED: none given.
18/6	To receive and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 6 th December 2017 (Previously circulated) LGA 1972 Sch 12 para 41(1)

RESOLVED: that they were a true record of the meetings decisions. (Proposed Cllr Ostler seconded Cllr Duffin). Vote [8/0]

18/7 Planning

Planning report and any other planning business.

(Please note: in planning matters the Council acts as the consultee of the Principal Authority. The Principal Authority being the deciding body)

Applications considered by **Planning Committee** since last meeting: (Full details available in planning minutes)

17/2586/FUL, Greensleeves, Harcombe, Lyme Regis, DT7 3RN. Proposed change of use of home office to holiday accommodation, Mr S Whiting. Supported

17/2741/FUL, 3 Happy Valley, Cuckoo Lane, Uplyme, DT7 3SR, Construction of two storey front plus side extensions; single storey side extensions, dormer window in front facing roof slope and detached garage/carport., Ms S Caswell. Supported

17/2508/RES, Quarry Spring Cottage, Lime Kiln Lane, Uplyme, DT7 3XG, Approval of reserved matters for a dwelling and a garage (approval sought for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale), Mr & Mrs L Shaw. Supported

17/2612/FUL, Hunters Croft, Charmouth Road, Axminster, EX13 5ST, Construction of detached garage and retention of timber fencing, Mr & Mrs C Andrews. Not Supported

17/2953/FUL, Churston, Harcombe Road, Axminster, EX13 5TB, Retrospective application for the construction of a detached garage, Mr & Mrs J Shuker. Not Supported

17/0592/RES (Amended), Land West of Herons Brook, (Wadley Hill) Venlake, Uplyme, Erection of 4 no. dwellings (3 no. affordable and 1 no. Open market) and community orchard (approval of matters of scale, layout, appearance, access and landscaping pursuant to outline permission 15/1994/OUT) Revised surface water attenuation and landscaping details, Mr A Turner. Supported

Planning application decisions made by **EDDC/DCC** since last meeting:

16/2267/FUL, Hartgrove Hill Farm, Trinity Hill Road, Musbury, Axminster, EX13 8TB, Retention of timber huts to be used for overflow accommodation for let holiday units on site, Mr John Duncan, Refused 16/2267/FUL (Amended), Hartgrove Hill Farm, Trinity Hill Road, Musbury, Axminster, EX13 8TB, Retention of timber huts for use by seamstresses employed on the site for teaching purposes, Mr John Duncan, Refused 17/2487/CPE, The Garden Flat, Stone Crest, Lyme Road, EX13 5SU, Certificate of Lawfulness for the use of the 'Garden Flat' as an independent dwelling (in breach of occupancy condition 2 of planning consent 91/P1895), East Devon Planning, Approved

17/2597/CPE, Land West of Upper Knapps, Shire Lane, Lyme Regis, DT7, Certificate of Lawfulness for the change of use of land for the stationing of a residential caravan. East Devon Planning, Approved 17/2641/FUL, Staddles, Cathole Lane, Uplyme, DT7 3XE, Single storey side extension; en-suite window alterations, Mr Richard Jeffery, Approved

17/2586/FUL, Greensleeves, Harcombe, Lyme Regis, DT7 3RN, proposed change of use of home office to holiday accommodation, Mr S Whiting, Approved

17/2741/FUL, 3 Happy Valley, Cuckoo Lane, Uplyme, DT7 3SR, Construction of two storey front plus side extensions; single storey side extensions, dormer window in front facing roof slope and detached garage/carport., Ms S Caswell, Approved

18/8 Approval and signing of Parish Accounts for the month of December 2017

Internal Audit Accounts & Audit Regulations 2003 reg 2

RESOLVED: reviewed and approved the accounts (Listed below) for December 2017. Noted that the Unity Trust Bank balance states £39,018.54 as of the 31st December 2017. (Proposed Cllr Pratt seconded Cllr Ostler). Vote [8 / 0]

Gross	Payee
£8.94	NP Sundries for Exhibition (Cllr Pullinger)
£7.50	Monthly Parish Telephone
£54.00	Parish & Clerk Expenses (Nov 2017)
£879.88	R Neave Clerk Salary December 17 20hrs pw
£14.00	UVH Extra Hall hire
£589.33	Fluxy's Garden Services (November 2017)
£330.00	Fluxy's Drainage & Ditches, Gore Lane, Woodhouse Lane
£205.11	DCC HGV Signs - Uplyme
£18.00	Unity Bank Service Charge
£0.00	Monthly Income
£2,106.76	Monthly Expense
£2,106.76	Monthly Balance

18/9 **Payments** LGA 1972 s150 (5)

RESOLVED: the Council reviewed and approved the items of expenditure (listed below) for January 2018.

Gross	Payee
£534.00	Uplyme Village Annual Hall Hire 2018
£604.33	Fluxy's Garden Services (December 2017)
£440.00	Fluxy's Drainage & Ditches
£175.80	HMRC PAYE NI Payments 070PL00178480 1809
£879.88	R Neave Clerk Salary January 2018 20hrs pw
£7.50	Parish & Clerk Expenses (Dec 2017)
£59.99	Parish & Clerk Expenses (Dec 2017)
£0.00	Income
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£2,701.50	Expense

18/10 | Land at Stafford Mount/Pound cottage

Council is asked to note and discuss boundary fencing.

RESOLVED: the item was discussed and the Council were happy with the new fencing surrounding Pound Cottage and is of good quality and blends in with the surroundings, also, the public footpath to and from Stafford Mount is clear and accessible.

18/11 | Millennium Copse

Council is asked to note and discuss future work and maintenance on the acquired land.

RESOLVED: the Council have purchased new trees for the Millennium Copse and Councillor Duffin will organise the planting of the trees.

18/12 Uplyme Flood Management - Woodhouse Lane Culvert/Drainage and Ditches

Council is asked to discuss and consider future resolutions regarding flood prevention for the area. One being the Culvert situated in Woodhouse Lane outside Culvers Cottage blocked and flooding Newcastle Cottage further down the Lane.

RESOLVED: the Council discussed in full detail the situation of the culvert in Woodhouse Lane and decided that the responsibility lies with DCC Highways. The incident has been reported to DCC Highways.

Councillor Pullinger also highlighted that he has received complaints from residents regarding the new development at 'Ayot', Gore Lane, causing flooding and disrupting the natural wildlife. The clerk will send the latest report from the East Devon Planning Enforcement Officer who is monitoring the development to Councillor Pullinger and the residents.

18/13 Uplyme Highways/Pavements

Council is asked to note and approve our local contractor (Fluxy's) to remove the unsightly weeds and vegetation growing on Uplyme Pavements and surroundings on a regular basis and for Fluxy's to acquire the relevant chemical licence for spraying.

RESOLVED: the Council discussed and approved the go ahead for Fluxy's to remove the weeds on a regular basis and to obtain the latest chemical spraying certificate. (Proposed Cllr Ostler seconded Cllr Pullinger). Vote [8/0]

18/14 | Clerks Hours

Council is asked to note, discuss and approve the increase of the Clerks hours from 20 hours to 24 hours per week.

RESOLVED: the Council discussed and approved the increase of the Clerks hours immediately from 20 to 24 per week with a review after six months due to increased volume of workload. (Proposed Cllr James seconded Cllr Ostler). Vote [8 / 0]

18/15 | Police Report – December 2017 (Uplyme –KA/2A)

No report received to date at the time of the meeting.

18/16 | HGV Problems in Uplyme

Council is asked to discuss and consider future resolutions regarding Gore Lane Damage and a HGV stuck again in Woodhouse Lane (Mon 18/12/17) with damage caused to drainage and ditches.

RESOLVED: the council discussed the latest incidents involving HGV's in Uplyme and concluded that the lorries and coaches are ignoring the warning signs and following their sat navs when missing the appropriate turning. The Council asked residents to question the drivers to ask why they took the wrong route to try and establish how we can rectify the ongoing problem. It was suggested that residents with CCTV may be able to record the incidents, especially when damage occurs.

18/17 | Lyme Regis to Uplyme (River Lim) Path Improvements

Council is asked to discuss the latest update and consideration of the Uplyme footpath from the village hall along the B3165 (Lyme Road)

RESOLVED: the Council discussed and reported that all quotes have been received for the works to start on the footpath outside the village hall to the Talbot public house along Lyme Road. The village hall has agreed that contractors can use the rear car park for storage and access. The dates of commencing the works and funding are still to be confirmed.

18/18 | Park and Ride, Lyme Regis Town Council

Council is asked to discuss the latest update and collaboration regarding the Park and Ride planning application.

RESOLVED: Councillors James, Turner and the Clerk met with Lyme Regis Town Council on Monday 18/12/2017 to offer support towards the Park & Ride planning application. It was pointed out by Councillor James that until previous major traffic analysis, reports and commitment to funding was initialised by LRTC, it would be difficult to move forward. There has been no further contact since the meeting from LRTC regarding updates but Uplyme have committed to a follow up meeting which we are awaiting invitation.

18/19 | Uplyme Village Signs

Council is asked to discuss the latest correspondence from Eastern Highway Neighbourhood Team, Devon County Council and to decide on which sign/s to order and replace.

RESOLVED: the Council discussed and approved as previous meetings if possible that they would like one large village welcome sign with the AONB logo placed at the Axminster side of Lyme Road and a small one (duplicate) to keep in reserve for the sign situated outside the 'Black Dog'. The Clerk is still waiting for costs and permission for the signs from Highways.

18/20 Hedges

Council is asked to discuss and provide solutions to the condition of hedges in the area of Tappers Knapp to Harcombe Road.

RESOLVED: the Council discussed recent complaints from residents regarding the overgrown hedges and trees from Tappers Knapp to Harcombe. It was suggested that the Clerk is to set up a meeting with Highways and County Councillor Ian Hall as the responsibility of the work is unknown.

18/21 Uplyme Cemetery

Council is asked to discuss and consider regulations for the maintenance of plots and upkeep of the cemetery after a complaint was made because of a Christmas tree set on a grave over the festive period. Council is also asked to note that we have engaged another tree surgeon to finish cutting down the trees. **RESOLVED:** the Council discussed the situation and believed that the Christmas tree was not too offensive over the festive period. The Clerk will generate documented terms and conditions for control over the preservation of the cemetery appearance. The Council were asked to note that Western Tree (Keith Williams) is completing the removal of the remaining three trees.

18/22 | Trinity Hill Road (Hazardous Dark Tunnel of Vegetation)

Council is asked to discuss the way forward to alleviate this problem area of road.

RESOLVED: the Council discussed the situation and deemed that all avenues have been exhausted and did not feel this was an urgent issue.

18/23 | Colyton Grammar Bus – Axe Valley

Council is asked to discuss a complaint from a parishioner which could have led to an accident due the bus stopping in the Village Hall car park entrance. The parishioner was met with unpleasant dialogue from the bus driver when questioned about his actions stating that he had been stopping there for 15 years. Axe Valley have been informed but referred the matter to the Parish Council.

RESOLVED: the Council discussed and noted the safety issue around the near miss accident of the passenger from the bus. County Councillor Ian Hall offered to contact Highways to try and resolve the area and incident in question for safety of people stepping off from the bus on the busy Lyme Road.

18/24 | Emails/Letters to the Council

RESOLVED: it was noted that emails and letters on the list below were received and sent to Councillors:

From	Subject	Received
Debbie Meakin	EDDC upcoming meetings, published Cabinet minutes, and pending Portfolio Holder decision	05/01/2018
simon williams	Use of land to rear of village hall for highways compound	05/01/2018
LymeForward	Community Lunch - Wednesday 10th January	04/01/2018
Flood Risk Management - Mailbox	Submission of flood event information to Devon County Council in case of flooding this winter.	20/12/2017
Planning Policy	East Devon Villages Plan Main Modifications Consultation	18/12/2017
Devon County Council	Stay warm this winter	13/12/2017
Huw	Western Power Distribution Affordable Warmth	12/12/2017
Andrew Kippax	RE: Land Adjoining Pound Cottage, Lyme Road, Uplyme, Lyme Regis, Devon, DT7 3TH (UPL1006/4)	05/12/2017

18/25 | Parish Clerks Delegated Powers

The Clerk will give Council details of any matters dealt with under his delegated powers since the last meeting of Council. LGA 1972 s101

RESOLVED: not required

18/26	Items for Parish Newsletter & Notice Boards Councillors are asked to inform the clerk the items they wish to highlight in the parish news from the meetings minutes. RESOLVED: the Council suggested that we repeat the request asking for residents to keep their boundary weeds under control where possible as this service is no longer provided by EDDC.
18/27	Notice of items to be taken into consideration at the next meeting in February 2018. Councillors are asked to highlight any further items. RESOLVED: none given.
18/28	Date of next meeting RESOLVED: the Council noted that Wednesday 14 th February 2018 is the date of the next regular meeting. The Parish Council Meeting will start at 7.15pm. All are welcome to attend. The meeting closed at 20:55pm.

Report from District Councillor – Mr Ian Thomas

Councillor Thomas reported that Council Tax percentage increases are expected for 2018/19, although Budgets are yet to be discussed and set for 2018/19. Some East Devon District Council operations will be relocated to the town hall in St Andrews Road, Exmouth, as part of the move away from Knowle, in Sidmouth, with the new EDDC headquarters in Honiton's Heathpark, due to be completed by December 2018. Sir David Attenborough and the Sea Dragon was aired on television, Sunday, 7th January 2018, showing the discovery of a brand new species of ichthyosaur in Lyme Regis (Although, some of the locations shown were actually in East Devon). Also, Councillor Thomas announced the sad loss of Paul Messer who was the Uplyme/Lyme Regis Cricket Club Chair until 2012 and was a prime mover in establishing the close relationship with Deepdene Cricket Club in Melbourne. This promoted a two-way exchange of young cricketers, to boost and share their experience.